



# SEEDS OF PROMISE

## CHARITI HOME MINISTRIES NEWSLETTER

### SPRING 2025 EDITION



#### FROM OUR PRESIDENT



Greetings Family, Friends and Ambassadors of Chariti Home Ministries, Happy New Year!!

To God be the Glory !!

It is truly a blessing to have completed year number fifteen of providing services to teen parents and their children through Chariti Home's Ministries outreach programs.

God has been so good to the ministry and participants.

With the help of community partners and volunteers like yourself Chariti Home was able to help another cycle of at opportune teen moms fulfill their personal and professional goals. Also, this past year CHM was able to assist some homeless mothers with temporary and permanent housing. Now, they have safe affordable housing for them and their children.

Over the past 15 years, the ministry has served a total of about 750 young families who are thriving as young parents and citizens in their community.

I would like to take this time to personally thank each of you for any part you have played in moving the vision and mission forward.

With that said, please meet Chariti Home's leadership team, the board of directors, Annette Davenport, Deborah Stovall and Libby Boleach.

Also, we have exciting news. I would like to introduce you to CHM's new Executive Director, Ms Konnisha Lockett, a 2011 graduate of Chariti Home Ministries' Seeds of Promise program.

Konnisha came onboard with Chariti Home Ministries' executive team in the summer of 2024. She hit the ground running reestablishing community contacts and capturing the vision of CHM. We look forward to the great places and things Konnisha's experience as a former participant, mother and nurse will bring to Chariti Home Ministries.

In addition, this team of volunteers would not be complete without some contracted organizations who faithfully work behind the scenes: Mrs Narmen Hunter, Fennoy Consulting; Mr & Mrs Willie and Ericka Logan, Logan & Logan, Inc and Dagne Barton, of ValuAdded Consulting. Last year (2024) may not have been a successful without their hardwork and dedication.

Stay tuned for the great things in 2025 including the addition of our formal Lions of Judah Teen Dad Program led by Pastor Larry Thomas, New Youth Movement Church and Elder Roman Wells, New Life In Christ, O'Fallon!!!

See you at The Seeds of Promise Gala in May 2025.

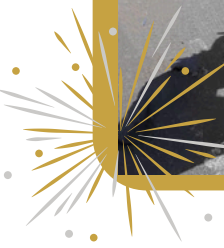
Always in His Grace and Service,  
Teresa Johnson  
Chariti Home Ministries  
Founder/President  
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#### SEEDS OF PROMISE ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

### KALIE HESTER

Congratulations to Kalie Hester on her graduation.





We want to let you know about some amazing things happening at Chariti Home and ask you to take the challenge with us! Check out our media release below:

**CHARITI HOME MINISTRIES RECEIVES \$10,000 2:1 CHALLENGE BROWN SISTERS FOUNDATION GRANT & A \$3,500 AMEREN GRANT TO EXPAND PROGRAMMING**

Belleville, IL-Chariti Home Ministries, a 501c3, providing coaching, mentoring, workforce development, spiritual guidance and connections to community resources for teen parents in the Metro East, has been awarded a \$10,000 2:1 Challenge Grant from the Brown Sisters Foundation. This grant supports the expanded Lions of Judah program, focusing on teen dads. We believe focusing on teen fathers is critical not only to the stability of their children but also to strengthening the family unit.

In addition, Chariti Home Ministries received a \$3,500 Grant from Ameren-Illinois to continue services for its Seeds of Promise and Lions of Judah Teen Parent Programs.

CHM has developed programming to include Teen Parent Education and One-On-One Mentoring for parents 13-19 years of age via our Seeds of Promise, Teen Moms and Lions of Judah, Teen Dads.

The non-profit has served over 725 single, displaced, and unhoused teen parents in its 16-year existence and looks forward to expanding CHM's positive impact on teen parents.

We wanted to let you know and ask you to join our Board and consider becoming a regular donor!



**CHM SCRIPTURE  
"LOVE NEVER FAILS"**

**1 CORINTHIANS 13:8 NIV**

# LEADERSHIP SPOTLIGHT

## KONNISHA D LOCKETT CHARITI HOME EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Konnisha is the single mother of three and a native of Alorton Illinois. Konnisha became interested in Chariti Home Ministries and participated in the Seeds of Promise program. Upon program completion and obtaining her GED, Konnisha was awarded two scholarships and entered nursing school to become a Licensed Practical Nurse, specializing in community health and education, with emphasis on obstetrics and women's health. In addition, she has certificates in Intravenous Therapy Administration, Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation, with AED defibrillator, and soon to be a Graduate Registered Nurse.

Konnisha began her journey in nursing at a very early age. Having been raised in a low-income home, she was introduced to the Boys and Girls Club of Illinois where her Big Sister was a Registered Nurse, practicing at BJC Hospital. Konnisha is currently pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Nursing at the University of Missouri-St. Louis.

She has worked in the medical field for 12 years (geriatric long-term care, assisted living memory care, behavior and psychiatric skilled nursing, medical-surgical acute care hospital, community health clinical setting). Konnisha serves as a Community Health Advocate to accentuate Black public health and is the owner of Imagine U LLC, a XXX. She also volunteers for the Black Nurse Association of Greater St. Louis as the Program Committee Chair, while training as the newly appointed Executive Director of Chariti Home Ministries.

Konnisha's goal is to gain a Doctor of Nursing Science in Obstetrics and Women's Health, while continuing to serve families of color by partnering with local nonprofit community organizations that support the agenda of black family development.

### BOARD MEMBERS

**TERESA JOHNSON-FOUNDER AND PRESIDENT**  
**KONNISHA LOCKETT-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**  
**ANNETTE DAVENPORT- WILLIAMS- EDUCATION**  
**DEBORAH STOVALL- GRANT DEVELOPMENT**  
**LIBBY BOLEACH- DONOR/VOLUNTEER RECRUITER**

## CONSIDER VOLUNTEERING WITH OUR BOARD

### CHARITI HOME'S MISSION

Provide education, mentoring and resource connections., including safe stable housing.



# 2024 SEEDS OF PROMISE LUNCHEON



CHARITI HOME MINISTRIES  
CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO THE

## SEEDS OF PROMISE GALA REUNION

*"Children Are A Gift"*

SATURDAY MAY 03 6-8PM  
2025 DOORS OPEN AT 5:30PM

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH  
505 Fountains Pkwy, Fairview Heights, IL 62208



SCAN HERE FOR TICKETS

TICKETS: \$50

GUEST SPEAKER  
MIN. VALERIE JOHNSON



# JOIN US MAY 3RD 2025!

# SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR PARTNERS



**NARMEN HUNTER**  
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**AUTHOR-SPEAKER-  
TRAINER-LIFE/GOALS  
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