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"We are all one body, we have the same Spirit, and we have all been called to the same glorious future." Eph. 4:3,4 (NLT)

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Salvationists called to a new level of faith and action

This summer 1,450 delegates gathered in Milwaukee, Wis., for a commissioning weekend led by Commissioners Brad and Heidi Bailey that celebrated the transforming and equipping power of God and called Salvationists to a new level of faith and action. The event featured National Ambassadors for Holiness Dr. Bill and Diane Ury, explored the theme "An Army of Compassion" and unveiled the territory's direction.

The keynote session, *Compassion, My World*, fulfilled its promise with an



inspiring program which gave a glimpse of how the Central Territory partners with territories worldwide to carry out the mission.

The meeting featured the faith-

deepening experiences of Captain Enrique Coreano and Flor Guzman-Cardenas, and included praise led by The Singing Company, selections by the Chicago Staff Band (CSB) and dramas by the Bill Booth Theater Company (BBTC). An update was given on the 20 New Corps initiative, and the World Services/Self-Denial Ingathering revealed an astounding \$9.7 million was given.

Chris Shay, territorial director for world missions for 19 years who is retiring this summer, was taken by surprise with recognition by Commissioners

Brad and Heidi Bailey which brought delegates to their feet. "You have been part of transforming this territory in vision and opportunities," said the territorial commander. The final young adult summer mission teams for which Chris is responsible were dedicated in prayer by Commissioner Heidi Bailey, who urged them to serve with their eyes wide open and to work hard but pray even harder. "Come back changed," she said.

The meeting's culmination was a heart-felt message by a radiant Diane Ury. Drawing on scripture complemented by personal experience, she made a compelling case for nothing

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More people more like Jesus

More people, more like Jesus. That's the essence of the territory's Mission Imperative which debuted at the commissioning weekend.

The Mission Imperative emerged from a nine-month visioning and strategy process that involved more than 200 people and culminated with a Territorial Mission and Strategy Team (MAST) that was charged with evaluating data and formulating a coherent recommendation to Territorial Leadership regarding the Army's focus, methods and investment of resources in the Midwest.

MAST concluded that in order for The Salvation Army to achieve its Christ-centered purpose in the Central Territory and to be relevant in the future, five critical areas must receive priority attention and every Salvationist must reaffirm his or her individual commitment and actively engage in helping "more people become more like Jesus."

"The Mission Imperative must impact not only our methods, but also our motivations. It represents the purpose for our existence as The Salvation Army and challenges us to reconsider the 'depth and breadth' of our commitment to save the lost, disciple the saved, serve 'Others' and form an alliance with and a sense of community amongst the lost and disenfranchised in the name of Jesus," said Territorial Commander Commissioner Brad Bailey. "Our future depends on how we can inspire in ourselves and those around us a spirit of expectation regarding God's desire to live in and show up through us in such an inclusively redemptive way that it will spark a season of phenomenal growth."

The five distinct but cohesive priorities which form the Mission Imperative include: Spiritual Life, Youth, City Mission, Intercultural and Leadership (see pages 6 & 7). Together these five priorities provide

the framework for moving the territory forward in faith, acknowledging reliance on God yet collectively and individually doing our part. Crafted with intentionality, the Mission Imperative provides the essential and interrelated priorities that must be fleshed out by each Salvation Army unit, officer, soldier, adherent and worshipper to increase mission potential, effective ministry and growth. It encourages ownership, flexibility and creativity (see page 2).

"The soldier base is especially critical," said Commissioner Barry Swanson, who oversaw the first stage of the process with his wife, Commissioner Sue Swanson. "It's very important that it touches them, that they feel empowered and mobilized to be bold and do something different in the expression of practical ministry."

To support the Mission Imperative, changes in the Program Section at Territorial Headquarters already are

taking place as seen in the restructuring and renaming of departments (see page 5). As well, the Mission Imperative has informed officer appointments throughout the territory which go into effect this summer. For instance, two new roles have been introduced at Territorial Headquarters. Given the preeminence of the focus on Spiritual Life, Major Lesa Davis has been appointed Territorial Secretary for Spiritual Life Development and will work directly with Territorial Leadership. To support the priority of City Mission, Captain Katherine Clausell has been appointed as the territory's first Social Justice and Urban Mission Secretary.

Essential changes and exciting opportunities across the territory may be anticipated as well as Salvationists look with fresh eyes and seek with open hearts what God is calling them to do. What is He saying to you?

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The freedom of coloring between the lines

by Lt. Colonel Philip Maxwell
Territorial Secretary for Program

Venturing into our kitchen and scanning the masterpieces of art that adorn our refrigerator is arguably as enthralling and consuming as a tour of the Louvre. From paintings of the family to carefully and lovingly constructed cards, each artistic exhibit draws a warm response from us. They are precious because they were made by our seven grandchildren.

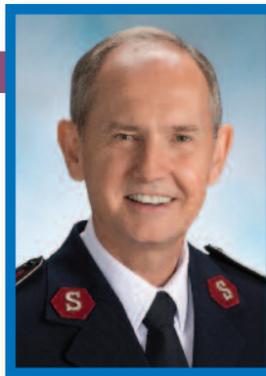
As in any great gallery, early works are replaced when more current and refined pieces are secured. What is notable to the critical viewer is the transition over time from loose abstract patterns where outlines were considered "inconvenient intrusions" to a more classical approach where outlines are recognized as an element

to be respected and honored. Whether in art or life, maturity often gives an increased appreciation for the outlines, or guidelines, which mark our lives.

Five priorities have emerged that will speak to the life of the territory.

We are in a season of change in this territory as we launch our Mission Imperative. More than 200 people have been involved in consultation on this journey over nine months to provide an outline that will give direction and definition to the territory. From this, five priorities have emerged that will speak to the life of the territory for the immediate future.

As an art teacher might provide the outline for a class assignment, the



responsibility of Territorial Leadership, in consultation with others, is to provide the framework within which the territory moves. The responsibility for this great Army of individuals who make up the Central Territory is to creatively and constructively, with God's leading, begin the process of coloring within the lines.

There is incredible freedom to give expression to each priority in the way that best reflects the local setting.

In its purest form, every corps and every center will be challenged to interpret the priorities of the Mission Imperative in their own local setting.

This fresh emphasis for the future of the territory exists within an environment that is both liberating and defining. There is incredible freedom to give expression to each priority in the way that best reflects the local setting. With our values having been shared, it will help define where our energy and resources should be invested.

Exodus 33 contains a wonderful dialogue between Moses and God. Standing on the brink of the future God planned for the Israelites, Moses pleads for God's presence and confirms his reluctance to move forward without God's divine sealing. God responds, "I will do what you have said because you have gained My trust and blessing, and I know you by name." (Exodus 33:17, *The Voice*)

May we sense the liberating and defining presence of God as we seek to unpack His will and purpose for the Central Territory.

Commissioning weekend

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less than authentic faith that sees the world as Christ and sends us out to save lives and change the world. "Jesus is compassion incarnate," she said. "The



only way the world will ever know who God is, is if we bear His nature."

The next day began with an early morning 5K Run for the World with the Territorial Commander in which nearly 100 people participated; 40 others gathered for Sacred Conversations. Throughout Friday and Saturday delegates could visit Trade Central and the Central Territory Historical Museum's display about Salvation Army ministry during WWII—a well-timed exhibit given D-Day's 75th anniversary.

Saturday morning's meetings focused

on *Compassion, My Mission*. The first session introduced the territory's Mission Imperative with context by Commissioners Barry and Sue Swanson, who explained how the Mission and Strategy Team (MAST) sought to hear what God wants for the territory.

"Think of the bullet points as characteristics of Jesus," suggested Commissioner Barry Swanson of the Mission Imperative before MAST subcommittee chairpersons were interviewed by Captain AJ Zimmerman in a talk-show format. Captain Corey Hughes relayed the objectives for youth, while Captain David Martinez explained how the emphasis on leadership rather than officer candidates was a more appropriate expression of "calling" and cited the vital role of soldiers. Lindsey Bailey fleshed out the intercultural priority, while Captain Katherine Clausell gave perspective to city mission, quoting the territorial commander, "It's time to reclaim our cities for God!"

Taking her turn, Major Lesa Davis commented on the priority of spiritual life. "Some say that if we put this first, then everything else will fall into place. Is it really that simple?"



she asked. She advocated it is because if Salvationists are tuned into the Holy Spirit and becoming more like Jesus, they will engage in compassionate ministry. "Jesus always calls us to do something," she said.

The first session was rounded out with praise led by the new Territorial Worship Collective featuring 12-year-old soloist Isabella Rhyne, numbers by the CSB, and a clever BBTC dialogue between contemporary and traditional characters.

The second morning session focused on making a personal connection and commitment. It featured a stunning sacred dance by Major Johanna Pook and her daughter Jordania, an upbeat testimony by Leora Conway, a moving choral presentation of "Grace" by the



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Pilgrim Songs: the Chicago Staff Band goes west

by Lt. Colonel Paul Smith

The Chicago Staff Band (CSB) embarked on a 10-day tour this May which took them to the Northwestern states of Washington, Oregon and Idaho and into the Canadian Province of British Columbia. As the CSB traveled through the beautiful vistas of the Pacific Northwest, the Psalms of Ascent provided a fitting focus. Band members were encouraged to view themselves on a spiritual pilgrimage and to invite those they encountered to journey with them in worship.

The band's itinerary not only included traditional concerts at corps but encompassed ministry at the Seattle Adult Rehabilitation Center, a chapel service at the Cascade Divisional Headquarters, a concert at a mall food court, workshops at Spokane Citadel and the Coeur d'Alene Ray and Joan Kroc Corps Community Center, and a children's open-air on the Spokane Citadel campus. They also supported the Northwest Divisional Music Councils, joining in ministry with the Western Territorial Staff Songsters.

The tour's programs were crafted to engage the audience in each location, and customization resulted in an ambitious repertoire of 37 instrumental and vocal pieces. Programs ranged from traditional arrangements such as "The Invincible Army" and "Rock of Ages" to more recent crowd favorites like "Chicago 1967 (Can you dig it?)," "Western Fantasy" by Vancouver Cariboo Hill Temple Bandmaster David Mills (who also served as their tour guide in Canada), and the joyous and energetic "Jubilo, Jubilo." Major works, including *Kurios*, *The Dawning* and *Fearless*, were enthusiastically received.

Several selections showcased CSB soloists, including Minwoo Kang playing "Glory to His Name," "Thoughts of Love" by Brett Tolcher, A/Captain Paul Bowyer with "The Higher Plane" and "Love



anywhere, this particular tour brought us to two memorable locations. The remote cities of Chilliwack and Penticton in British Columbia would never be a tour destination for a visiting band. Those folks really appreciated our music and ministry, and we, in turn, were blessed by their genuine hospitality and kindness," remarked Ken Romin.

Many of the concerts ended with the Mark Hayes' vocal arrangement "Grace" as the benediction. Audiences were clearly touched as the full-throated band moved among them singing, "When we've been there ten thousand years..."

"Sometimes as we moved into the final portions of our programs, the Spirit was so heavy we felt the audience just wanted to remain in God's presence. No one wanted to leave," said Bandmaster Burgmayer.

This sentiment was echoed by Steve Hull who, at the band's final stop, Vancouver Cariboo Hill Temple, noticed a woman singing "Grace" along with the band with a marvelous glow. "I went to talk with her afterward to find out from her husband that she is totally blind, yet the joy of the Lord just radiated from her," said Steve. "I was definitely blessed by that encounter."

Former Cariboo Hill Temple Bandmaster Tim Braun summarized the CSB's concert with three words: **Passion** (for the gospel message through music-making); **Bold** (for the brilliance in sound and a boldness of faith) and **Balanced** (complementing the band's fine blend, coupled with imaginative and diverse programming)." Indeed, these qualities are the CSB's strength as they continue to serve as the "Band with a Sacred Message."

Notes" by CSB Bandmaster Dr.

Harold Burgmayer with soloists Ben Kinzie, Lynda Cooper, Major John Aren, Brett Tolcher and Josh Turner. Throughout the tour "The Comedian's Galop" featuring Zac Smith on the xylophone proved popular. Each night on a second run-through, Zac attempted to set new records rendering the piece, lowering his Galop time to an amazing 1 minute and 12 seconds!

In each setting band members connected with people during intermission, over meals, while teaching workshops and through their heartfelt testimonies during concerts. "I related to others as never before," said Abraham Leka. "The excitement from the audiences in all our performances was a response to the touch of the Holy Spirit."

"While it's always enjoyable to share in band fellowship with Salvationists

A life of music, mission and ministry

Saluting Peggy Thomas, our territory's latest Order of the Founder (O.F.) recipient

by William Himes, O.F.

This year marks the 40th and final year of Peggy Thomas' career as assistant territorial music and creative arts ministries secretary. As the one who brought her onto the team and worked with her for most of that time, it's not easy to sum up her contributions, but some contrasting descriptions come to mind: innovative and thoughtful; passionate and quiet; determined and humble.

Breaking Barriers

In 1976 Peggy created quite a stir when she auditioned and gained a chair in the solo cornet section of the Chicago Staff Band (CSB). She was the first woman in The Salvation Army admitted into a staff band. It might be hard to believe this was an issue in the latter part of the 20th century, but fortunately for women in all staff bands today, Peggy was determined to break this barrier.



Taking the Lead

In 1982 Peggy was appointed CSB deputy bandmaster and in 1984 was commissioned as bandmaster of the Norridge Citadel, Ill., Band which she led for 35 years.

Under her leadership, the Norridge band explored program innovations which today are routine, including reinforcing music with synchronized video, using secular music to cross over into a spiritual context, and adding full rhythm section (keyboard, guitar, bass, drum kit) to contemporary repertoire. She led the band in successful tours of the U.S., the United Kingdom and Canada and produced dozens of recordings, including the first CD produced in the territory.

Discovering her Destiny

Although Peggy trained to be a professional musician with the goal of playing in an orchestra trumpet section, God had other plans. In 1979 she joined the fledgling territorial music department as its third employee.

The job provided diverse opportunities including the production of *OPUS*, a monthly newsletter to the corps music leaders. Her summer schedules were filled teaching young people at divisional and territorial music camps. She proved to be a fine conductor who related to young people with an infectious balance of challenge and encouragement.

While she rarely shows emotion, when she reflected on the hundreds of young musicians in Central Music Institute's Wonderland Band that she led for years, her eyes welled up and her voice trembled as she said, "From the first fearful reading of a difficult piece to its triumphant conclusion in the final program, it is always amazing to see how these kids rise to the challenge and give an inspired performance."

Focusing on Intentional Worship

Peggy's personal mission extends far beyond her musical leadership. "When I started working in the music department, I soon realized that I had talents and gifts that fit my new job," she recalled. "In those days our main focus was supporting our musical groups with resources, seminars and events, but over the years we evolved and expanded our focus to include a wide range of worship arts."

After attending a worship arts conference sponsored by a megachurch, Peggy came away inspired by the innovative principles and ideas that could be adapted and used in corps' Sunday worship. It was not about

being trendy or entertaining but rather intentional and life-changing.

"Everything points to Sunday" became the department's credo. Worship was the filter through which all efforts passed. How can our music groups be more effective in worship? How can our music better relate to our congregations? Are there new directions in songs and musical idioms that can help us be more relevant?

"As we challenged ourselves with these questions, the answers resulted in the creation of a variety of resources designed to encourage deeper worship including thematic worship series, devotional materials and, of course, music," Peggy observed.

Singing a New Song

Since 1992 Peggy has served as the project manager for *Hallelujah Choruses*, a collection of congregational accompaniments featuring current praise and worship songs and choruses along with older hymns and songs that have been rejuvenated and arranged in a contemporary style.

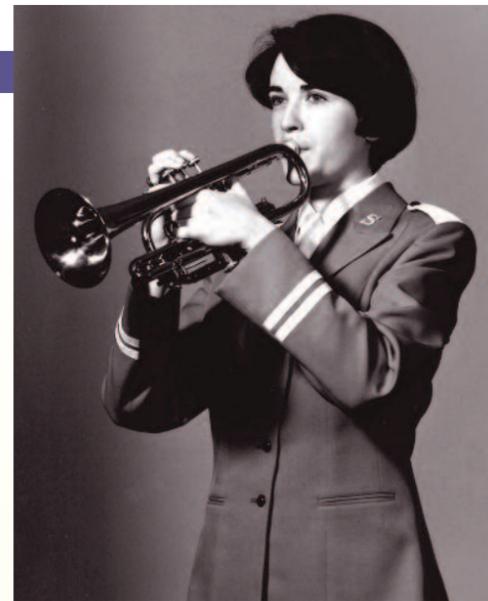


Peggy is saluted for her service as Norridge Citadel, Ill., Corps bandmaster for 35 years.

Hallelujah Choruses is published in a variety of formats which can be used with keyboard, and/or praise band rhythm section, and/or brass ensemble from five players to full band. With 280 arrangements and all songs including English and Spanish translations, this resource is now used every week in corps throughout the world.

Lifting a Concert of Prayer

In 1997 Peggy read Jim Cymbala's book *Fresh Wind, Fresh Fire*, an inspiring chronicle of a dwindling congregation that grew exponentially



in a gang-infested urban wasteland in Brooklyn, N.Y. She gave the book to Commissioner Harold Hinson, then territorial commander, who promptly put a copy in the hands of every officer!

But Peggy didn't stop there. She crafted a nine-week worship series titled, "Concert of Prayer: How to Bring an Army to its Knees." Published in notebook form, this resource included meeting outlines with suggested songs, scripture passages and other readings, drama vignettes and sermon outlines. The objective was to reduce research time for corps leaders while providing an abundance of inspiring content that could be adapted.

When it was released to every corps in 1998, the response was so positive it quickly began to be used in all North American territories and necessitated Peggy spending a greater portion of her time developing Advent/Lent materials and other thematic worship series annually.

"I am especially grateful to my corps for their willingness to be a lab over the years prior to releasing these series to the territory," she said.

Having worked closely with Peggy for 36 years, I could be biased. But Lt. Colonel Philip Maxwell, territorial program secretary, shared this assessment, "By far the most appropriate label that can be attributed to Peggy Thomas is 'Servant of God.' Her life has been marked by obedience with grace, humility, consistency and a determination to offer her very best."



When she was 12, after hearing the CSB at commissioning, she said to her father, Colonel John Paton, "I want to be in that band someday."

"But Peggy, there are no girls in the staff band," he replied.

She hadn't noticed. True to character, she asked, "Why not? If a woman can be General of The Salvation Army, then why can't they play in a staff band?" She proceeded to announce one day she'd be a member of the CSB.

Following graduation with a performance degree from the Eastman School of Music, Peggy returned to Chicago to continue graduate studies at Northwestern University. Asking to apply for membership in the CSB, she was told, "You don't apply; you are invited."

Not seeing any invitations coming her way, she created her own application and submitted it to the band board. On March 1, 1976, after consultations that went all the way to the Chief of the Staff at International Headquarters, she was appointed to the band and soon became principal solo cornet.



A highlight of each summer was leading the Wonderland Band at Central Music Institute.



Peggy Thomas and her family with Territorial Commander Commissioner Brad Bailey during the commissioning weekend this June when she was inducted into the Order of the Founder.

Shaking things up in Program

by Lt. Colonel Philip Maxwell
Territorial Secretary for Program

Change is inevitable.

Catherine Booth was recorded to have said, "There is no improving the future without disturbing the present." The reality we all contend with is that we live and operate in a rapidly changing world, and this extremely fluid and often volatile environment compels us to continually assess and accommodate these shifting dynamics in our ministry.

We need to shift from being responsive to requests from the frontlines to being proactive in underpinning their ministries.

Over recent months that intent for a better future has been the catalyst for changes in the program section at Territorial Headquarters. There has been an emerging understanding across the Program Section team that we need to move beyond simply resourcing to more strategically equipping. We need to shift from being responsive to requests from the frontlines to being proactive in underpinning their ministries.

Intercultural Department



Captain Ketsia Diaz will take up the responsibility of Intercultural Ministries Secretary.

In April the multicultural department morphed into the intercultural department. Territorial leadership's intention is more than a name change; it wants to broaden and deepen the department's influence.

The shift in title [Intercultural] emphasizes the unity we have in Christ.

With the new name comes a renewed emphasis in aligning the objectives of the team in serving all people with the gospel in the most embracing manner possible. The shift in title emphasizes the unity we have in Christ and, in that, the standing value of "One Army, One Mission and One Message." The interpretation of this emphasis locally will be as unique as the individual communities of believers we serve.

Music and Creative Arts Ministries Department

As a direct reflection of their ministry, the music and gospel arts department has migrated into the music and creative arts ministries



The Music and Creative Arts Ministries Department

department. Given the expanding scope of their calling, the team at territorial headquarters, and more broadly the divisions, have a mandate to capitalize on all forms of art to help the Army achieve its mission. Operating with the tagline, "Equip and Inspire," the department is committed to creatively and constructively enriching life in the Army.

Corps and Community Mission Department

A new corps and community mission department replaces the adult mission advancement department. Missional in its intent, this new department will resource and equip corps and the communities they serve. With the stated mission of The Salvation Army and the needs of our communities in mind, this department continually will assess and evaluate their contribution.

This month Majors Will and Cassandra DeJesus take up the shared responsibility for the department as territorial corps and community mission secretaries. Although their roles and responsibilities are shared, one will have the emphasis of



Majors Will and Cassandra DeJesus

corps revitalization, while the other will give attention to corps planting.

The mandate for corps revitalization will be...addressing barriers and obstacles that have impeded growth...

The mandate for corps revitalization will be to work with divisional headquarters and equip them to partner with corps in identifying and addressing barriers and obstacles that have impeded growth while constructively and creatively bridging the gap to their communities.

The territory's investment in corps planting has set the challenge to see a minimum of one new corps established in each division within three years and to ignite an ongoing expectation for more corps openings across the territory.

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We pray as we step out in obedience to God's direction for the program section that the territory will be stronger, our vision larger and the achievements more tangible—all to God's glory. Your partnership in prayer would be appreciated.

A celebration of Live Music in 2020

by Joe Caddy

Recognizing music is a vital and fundamental component in worship, the territorial music and creative arts ministries department embarked in 2012 on a journey to establish Live Music in Worship in Every Corps by 2020 (LM2020).

With the deadline for this ambitious goal on the horizon, the department is pleased to announce that the commissioning weekend next June will take the form of a music and creative arts festival dedicated to celebrate what God has done over the course of the LM2020 initiative.

The event will include performances by corps and divisional groups and feature the new Territorial Songsters led by Music and Creative Arts Ministries Secretary Harold Burgmayer.

In the months leading up to the event, the territorial music and creative arts ministries department will highlight new music programs that have sprouted and developing programs that have blossomed during the LM2020 initiative.



Each month the department's webpage will feature stories from a division and how lives and communities have been changed. Watch for periodic features in *Central Connection*.

Be sure to check out samusiccentral.org for details and keep pushing toward the goal!

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MISSION IMPERATIVE

Introduction

In order for The Salvation Army to successfully achieve its Christ centered purpose, relevant strategies and methods must be adopted to meet the varied needs of communities we are called to serve today. This requires a periodic review of current systems and practices, allowing for an evaluation to reveal where and when corrective steps are required.

This Mission Imperative, consisting of five integrated parts, is the result of such a process. It targets areas that require urgent remedial attention if we are to remain viable as a mission movement. By faith, and in the power of the Holy Spirit, the Central Territory is committing resources of time, people and finance toward strengthening our performance in these vital areas.

In fulfillment of the Soldier's Covenant, every Salvationist is challenged to reaffirm their calling by actively helping "more people become more like Jesus."

Spiritual Life

We seek to be a Salvation Army committed to and consumed with the spiritual life and development of God's people. An Army marked by:

- Empowering Prayer
- Intentional Evangelism
- Compelling Discipleship
- Active Holiness
- Continuous Transformation

Youth

We seek to be a Salvation Army committed to and engaged with youth of all ages, intentionally seeking to capture their hearts, engage their passion and unlock their potential. An Army marked by:

- Open Communication
- Genuine Encouragement
- Mutual Respect
- Redemptive Trust
- Empowering Opportunity

City Mission

We seek to be a Salvation Army intimately woven into the fabric of our cities and responsive to their needs both practically and spiritually. An Army marked by:

- Incarnational Engagement
- Gospel Impact
- Impassioned Service
- Mission Integration
- Continuous Innovation
- Strategic Investment

Intercultural

We seek to be a Salvation Army fully engaged within our communities; celebrating the uniqueness and reflecting the diversity of our local neighborhoods – a visible testimony that all are “created in the image of God.”

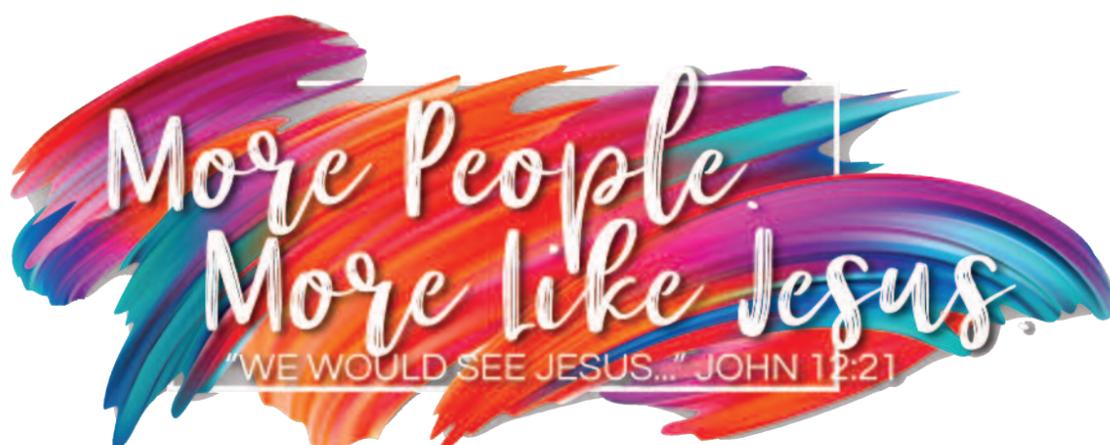
An Army marked by:

- Active Awareness
- Mutual Openness
- Consistent Grace
- Unconditional Love
- Practical Equity

Leadership

We seek to be a Salvation Army that recognizes the sacredness of all ministry and acknowledges the unique calling of individuals to serve as local officers and officers. Their calling is to fulfill the divine requirement of spiritual leadership. An Army marked by:

- Increased Engagement
- Inspired Creativity
- Sacrificial Service
- Lifelong Development
- Spirit Led
- Mutual Accountability



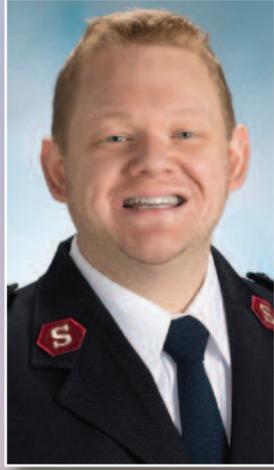
Messengers of Compassion

Pray for the new lieutenants as they take up their first appointments and share the life-changing message of the gospel.



Lieutenants Henry & Pamela Boateng

Corps Officers
Detroit Conner Creek, Mich.



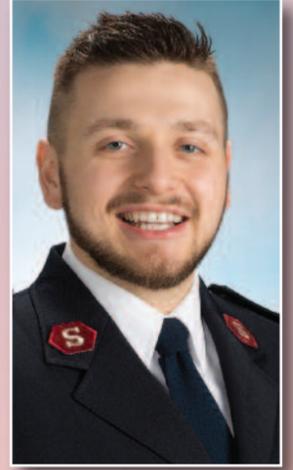
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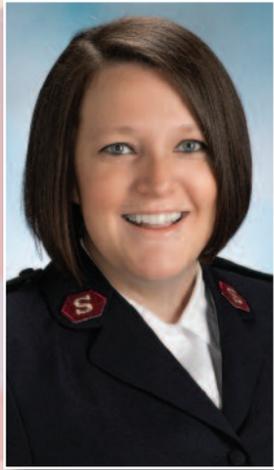
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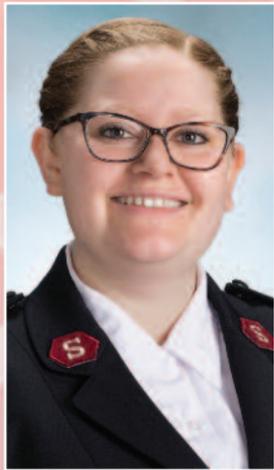
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Flint Citadel, Mich.
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Owosso Citadel, Mich.



Lieutenant Justin Tracy

Assistant Corps Officer
Bloomington, Ill.

A compassionate commission

Commissioning weekend 2019 began and ended in high notes of celebration as members of the

"Messengers of Compassion" session were recognized, ordained and commissioned, then finally given their first appointments with the challenge to bring the gospel message to the world with compassionate hearts.

The weekend opened with a commencement and recognition service held at the Oak Creek Centennial, Wis., Corps. Thirty-two officers, who completed bachelor's and master's degrees in the past year, were congratulated and recognized publicly by Major Cherri Hobbins, territorial officer resource and development secretary. Captain Michael Hanton also was recognized for completing the Arrow Leadership program.

In his powerful commencement address Dr. Bill Ury, national ambassador for holiness, challenged the session to remain in constant communion with God and dependent on Him alone as they face the unknown, following the example of Abraham. "We don't know the future, but God does," he said. "Put your hand in His hand and let Him lead you."

The second-year cadets then received their training certificates from the College for Officer Training (CFOT), many with highest honors. Awards given to individuals

chosen by their peers as showing qualities of servant evangelism and mission and ministry were presented to Cadets Shanell Johnson and Karen Kumar, respectively. Vaedictorian Cadet Dena Smith and salutatorian Cadet Joshua Hubbard also were congratulated.

Sunday brought moments of solemn reverence and uninhibited exuberance for the "Messengers of Compassion."

The morning session held a worshipful tone as the meeting moved from recognition of officers promoted to Glory to the commissioning and ordination of the session. In the sacred moments of affirmation surrounding the culmination of their training, each cadet was given a scripture passage chosen by the CFOT staff as they received their commission and ordination from Commissioners Brad and Heidi

Bailey. In their first moments as lieutenants, they were surrounded by territorial leadership team members who offered prayers of dedication.

Cadet Joshua Hubbard gave a moving testimony of how God used The Salvation Army to change his life by providing him a safe place where he was always welcomed, loved and encouraged. "The people at The Salvation Army loved me into the arms of Jesus," he said. "It is because of the love and compassion they showed me that I am a 'Messenger of Compassion' today."

In his message, Commissioner Brad Bailey addressed the "holy tension" between the need to move forward and divine compassion, stressing the importance of being authentic representatives of His love by showing compassion indiscriminately.

"We are working, we are serving, we are living from a framework of compassion," he said. "As followers of Jesus, our compassion for others reflects His compassion for us."

The challenge to love as Jesus loves resonated with the audience, and the invitation to follow God's call was enthusiastically received. As men and women who hope to become officers came forward, the new lieutenants, cadets and officers seated onstage made room for them to take their seats and prayed with them.

Perhaps the most unique and solemn moments of the meeting occurred as Lt. Abigail Hoag presented the session flag. Accompanied by a simple yet beautiful acoustic rendition of "I'll not turn back" sung by

Major Miriam Gorton, the flag was marched through the auditorium and posted before being saluted by the session. There was a clear understanding of the session's unyielding commitment to the call of God to "love and serve Him supremely" with no intention of turning back.

In contrast, the afternoon session allowed the new lieutenants to display their fun side. They danced their way onstage to flashing lights, thumping beats and a rap crafted by Lt. Justin Tracy, then pulled out tambourines and ribbons for an exciting finale to their entrance. The lieutenants and their families received their first appointments amid loud

cheers and applause, and to everyone's delight brand-new mom Lt. Karen Kumar received her appointment via projected FaceTime.

The meeting was filled with joy as former sessions remembered their commissionings and celebrated with the "Messengers of Compassion." The final living member of the "Liberty" session (1944), Major Wilma Velazquez, was honored and greeted with a standing ovation.

In a final charge to the lieutenants, Colonel Janice Howard encouraged them to see the potential in people. Speaking from the book of Daniel, she challenged them to make wise choices by following the Bible, use their God-given gifts and give God the glory.



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Newly accepted candidates

Breanna L. James
Lansing South, Mich., Corps
Western Michigan/Northern
Indiana Division



Education

Dorsey School of Business

Career/work

Intake receptionist/receptionist at the Lansing Corps

Salvation experience

I accepted Jesus at age 9 and recommitted

myself to the Lord at age 30.

Turning point or milestone in your faith journey

I had been a believer and served locally, but when I became a Salvationist my life changed completely. I realized God had a bigger and better purpose for my life.

First Salvation Army encounter

I met The Salvation Army in 2011 through a Christmas program at the Detroit Temple, Mich., Corps. I loved

the way they ministered to people and made them feel welcomed. They offered me a volunteer position, and I've been with the Army ever since.

Your calling

When Captain AJ Zimmerman spoke at the 730 weekend in 2016 and said the harvest was plentiful but the laborers are few, I knew I could make a change not only in my own life but in the lives of others.

Interests and spiritual gifts

Servant leadership, administration, discernment; crafts, baking, gardening

Spiritual mentors

My grandmother, Elizabeth Scott; my mother, Breanna James; my friend, Chrisranda Taylor; Dalvius King-Harvy, Envoys Artee and Esther Lewis, and Major Prezza Morrison

Breanna's corps officer is Lt. Jennifer Davidson.

Luke Hursh

Omaha Northside, Neb., Corps
Western Division

Education/ training

Montana Wilderness School of the

Bible, Specs Howard School of Media Arts

Career/work

A variety of positions at Salvation Army camps, corps and adult rehabilitation centers

Salvation experience

When I was about 8 years old, we were watching the "Left Behind" film series. I didn't want to go to hell, so I accepted Christ.

Turning point or milestone in your faith journey

A missions trip to Ecuador

First Salvation Army encounter

My parents are officers, so I grew up in the Army.

Your calling

I felt called at youth councils but

didn't accept it until I was at college in Montana when my favorite Bible verse, Isaiah 6:8, spoke to me in a new way. I heard God saying, "I called you to be an officer."



Interests and spiritual gifts

Teaching, leading worship and generosity

Little known fact about you

I attended a Congress with General André Cox in Chile, South America, in 2015. We had a good talk—perhaps because I was the only other person who spoke English besides the translators.

Luke's corps officers are Lts. Ken and Samantha Jones; his former COs were Majors Randall and Susan Summit

International College for Officers

The following officers have been selected to attend the International College for Officers in London, England, July 10 to August 19, 2019.

Major Geffory Crowell

Fort Wayne, Ind.,
Corps Officer



Major Cassandra DeJesus

Territorial Corps and
Community Mission Secretary



Captain Katherine Clausell

Territorial Social Justice
and Urban Mission Secretary



Long Service Awards

We salute the following officers on their service milestones.

40 Years

Lt. Colonel Patty Richardson
Major Gail Aho
Major Carole Caddy
Major Glen Caddy
Major Rebecca Stearns

35 Years

Commissioner Dawn Heatwole
Commissioner Merle Heatwole
Lt. Colonel Deslea Maxwell
Lt. Colonel Philip Maxwell
Lt. Colonel Renea Smith
Major Susan Anderson
Major Gary Cole
Major Gary Felton
Major Beverly Gates
Major Mark Litherland

Major Barbara Logan
Major James McDowell
Major Valerie McDowell
Major Timothy Parker
Major Bethany Petrie
Major Keith Petrie
Major Belinda Riggs
Major Cindy Strickler
Major Carla Voeller
Major Alan Wurtz

30 Years

Major Claire Grainger
Major Norman Grainger
Major Charlotte Hall
Major Darlene Harvey
Major David Harvey
Major Nathan Johnson
Major Donna Leedom

Major Jason Pollom
Major Edelweiss Santos-Diaz
Major Abran Tamayo
Major Ronda Tamayo
Major Patricia Taube
Major David Womack

25 Years

Lt. Colonel Philip Davisson
Lt. Colonel Sheila Davisson
Lt. Colonel Dan Jennings
Major Michael McKee
Major Harold Poff
Major Lynnetta Poff
Major Debra Richardson
Major Jeffery Richardson
Major Kris Wood
Major Mary Ann Wood
Major Steven Woodard

Building bridges at the College

by Major Karen Johnson

In his Christmas message of 1915, General Bramwell Booth is quoted as saying, "Every land is my fatherland, for all lands are my Father's." Indeed, when our desire is to serve God and follow His leading, barriers are broken down and bridges are built.

This past year at the College for Officer Training (CFOT) has been one of bridge building as the Training in Spanish initiative was introduced and we welcomed the first four cadets to participate in it. This approach has utilized a multifaceted approach in providing support, education and resources in Spanish while helping cadets learn English so they will be prepared for their work as officers.

Classes such as Bible and doctrine have been taught in Spanish, while other classes have either been interpreted or provided with a facilitator who helps with comprehension. Seven bilingual officers on the CFOT staff have readily assisted these English-language learners both in the classroom and in more casual settings.

While the destination—commissioning as a bilingual officer—is clear, the process is flexible and customized to meet each cadet where they are on this journey. Every quarter, progress is reviewed, needs reevaluated and supports are adjust-



Cadets in the Training in Spanish initiative embark on a bike ride to pray with anyone who is interested.

ed for the individual cadet so that he or she is not overwhelmed but consistently moving toward self-sufficiency and established outcomes. Underwritten by International Headquarters, the award-winning Rosetta Stone language education software has been an invaluable resource.

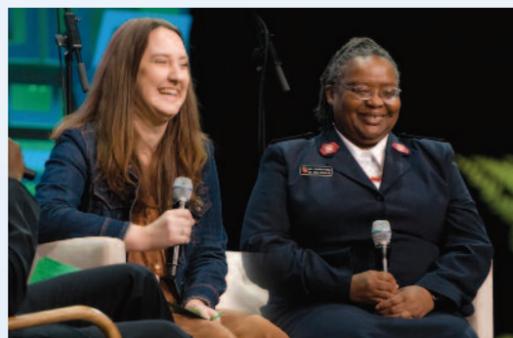
"It has been a challenge in dealing with all the logistics that pertain to such a blessed endeavor," said Captain Edwin Velez, one of the officers who has given assistance in the new Training in Spanish initiative. "But we, as a body of believers, have been supremely blessed to work with those who have been called by God."

Indeed, their presence on campus has enriched the fellowship and created a cultural sensitivity in the other cadets which will serve them well in ministry. In spite of the language barrier or cultural complexities, the Spanish-speaking cadets have fully engaged in campus life. They often have demonstrated their love for God and passion to minister to others which is what brought them to the CFOT and what the CFOT can't provide. While they are learning important skills they will need as officers, they are teaching the other cadets and staff alike about overcoming challenges in order to be used by God.



Commissioning

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CSB and a lyrical solo cornet rendering of "Voice of Grace" by Peggy Thomas.

An undoubted highlight of the weekend occurred when Peggy Thomas was inducted into the Order of the Founder in recognition of her exemplary service and contribution to The Salvation Army, foremost as a champion of gender equality, advancing the inclusion of women through music, and as an inspiring and creative contributor to worship music that's impacted the world.

"We have been celebrating, wrestling with, this weekend the idea of 'being Jesus' to people and the impact that can have...If we ever needed an example in the USA Central Territory...it's you!" the territorial commander commended Peggy, who received a standing ovation.

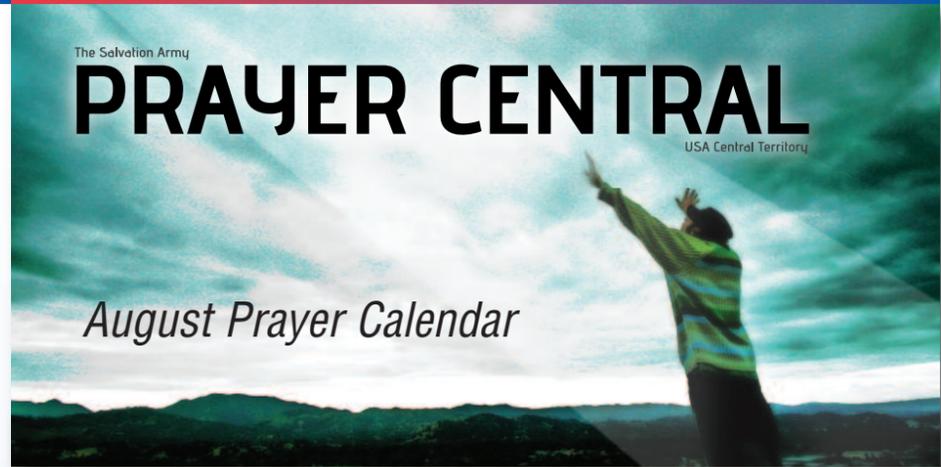
"A Compassionate Commission" was delved into by Dr. Bill Ury, who passionately explored Luke 10 along with the Mission Imperative, which he characterized as a biblically infused outline and invitation to follow Jesus. He urged Salvationists to count the cost and radically obey Christ. In response, delegates laid their signed commitment cards on the altar.

A rousing evening session, *Compassion, My Territory*, was replete with examples of God's work changing lives as people walk through our doors, including Major Herbert Luhn, soldier and adult rehabilitation center (ARC) graduate Vince Cusak, Kansas City Chiefs wide receiver Gehrig

Dieter and Pathway of Hope participant Hope Rogers.

Musical numbers included "Redeemed" by an ARC gospel choir, a fun calypso-beat "Mourning into Dancing" by the Territorial Youth Chorus, "Living Hope" by Captain Kelly Hanton and the Territorial Worship Collective, and *Kurios* by the CSB.

Mikal Mathews gave an engaging recitation of Psalm 84:9-12 on which Chief Secretary Colonel Steve Howard based his message, concluding, "The Salvation Army is all about opening doors for people to walk through to new life." He then asked delegates if they were ready to help them come in.



My Prayer List	Day	Bible Reading	Pray for The Salvation Army
	1 Thursday	Psalms 90-92	Central Music Institute
	2 Friday	Proverbs 14-15	Ministry at the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally
	3 Saturday	Ezekiel 43-48	50th National Seminar on Evangelism
	4 Sunday	John 1-2	Cadillac, Mich., Corps
	5 Monday	1 Thessalonians 4-5	Des Moines Citadel, Iowa, Corps
	6 Tuesday	Leviticus 25-27	Green Bay, Wis., Corps
	7 Wednesday	1 Chronicles 1-4	Flint, Mich., ARC*
	8 Thursday	Psalms 93-95	Clinton, Iowa, Corps
	9 Friday	Proverbs 16	Grandview Southland, Mo., Corps
	10 Saturday	Daniel 1-6	Indiana DHQ**
	11 Sunday	John 3-4	Chicago Lawn, Ill., Corps
	12 Monday	2 Thessalonians	Carthage, Mo., Corps
	13 Tuesday	Numbers 1-3	Duluth, Minn., Corps
	14 Wednesday	1 Chronicles 5-9	Congo (Brazzaville) Territory™
	15 Thursday	Psalms 96-98	Des Moines Temple, Iowa, Corps
	16 Friday	Proverbs 17-18	College for Officer Training staff
	17 Saturday	Daniel 7-12	Majors Violet & Dr. Felix Ezeh (Jamaica)™
	18 Sunday	John 5-6	Elkhart, Ind., Corps
	19 Monday	1 Timothy 1-3	"Messengers of Grace" Session of Cadets
	20 Tuesday	Numbers 4-6	Green Bay, Wis., Kroc Center
	21 Wednesday	1 Chronicles 10-14	Fort Wayne, Ind., ARC*
	22 Thursday	Psalms 99-101	Detroit Grandale, Mich., Corps
	23 Friday	Proverbs 19	Danville, Ill., Corps
	24 Saturday	Hosea 1-7	Evansville Fulton Ave., Ind., Corps
	25 Sunday	John 7-9	Hutchinson, Kan., Corps
	26 Monday	1 Timothy 4-6	"Messengers of the Kingdom" Session of Cadets
	27 Tuesday	Numbers 7-9	Chicago Mayfair Community Church, Ill., Corps
	28 Wednesday	1 Chronicles 15-19	Fairmont, Minn., Corps
	29 Thursday	Psalms 102-104	Fort Dodge, Iowa, Corps
	30 Friday	Proverbs 20-21	Goshen, Ind., Corps
	31 Saturday	Hosea 8-14	Hancock, Mich., Corps

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If you follow the prayer calendar during the year, you will have read through the Bible!

* = Adult Rehabilitation Center

** = Divisional Headquarters

PIM = Partners in Mission

--Mustard Seeds--



On the move

Effective June 26 unless otherwise noted

All Central officers retain additional appointment of Assistant Candidates' Secretary unless appointed Candidates' Secretary or Associate Candidates' Secretary

Adult Rehabilitation Centers Command

Major Claire Grainger, Program Admin. in Training, St. Louis, MO; **Major Norman Grainger**, Business Admin. in Training, St. Louis, MO; **Major Nathan Johnson**, Business Admin. in Training, Fort Wayne, IN; **Major Brendon Robertson**, Admin., Des Moines, IA; **Major Catherine Thielke**, Command Business Sec., **Major Todd Thielke**, Command Marketing & Store Development Sec.; **Lt. Amy Hiser**, Program Admin. in Training, Davenport River Valley, IA; **Lt. Scott Hiser**, Business Admin. in Training, Davenport River Valley, IA; **A/Captains Greg & Angelica Hartley**, Trainees, Waukegan, IL; **A/Captain Michelle Johnson**, Program Admin. in Training, Fort Wayne, IN.

College for Officer Training

Major Barbara Logan, Family Care Center Dir.; **Major Patricia Taube**, Campus Life Dir.; **Captain Christine Coreano**, Personnel Dir., Add'l Appt: Health Officer; **Captain Edwin Velez**, Personnel Officer; **Lt. Natalie Austin**, Add'l Appt: Intercultural Ministries Coord.; **Lt. Blake Fewell**, Special Events Coord.

Eastern Michigan Division

Majors Randy & Kathy Hellstrom, Add'l Appts: COs, Owosso Citadel, MI; **Major Lori Meyer**, Spiritual Life Development Sec., Add'l Appt: Pastoral Care Officer, DHQ; **Major Timothy Meyer**, General Sec., Add'l Appt: Detroit Metro Area Commander, DHQ; **Major Judith Tekautz**, Program Sec., DHQ; **Captain Lennard Cossey**, Add'l Appt: Business Officer in Training, DHQ; **Captains David & Shannon Martinez**, Add'l Appts: COs, Wayne/Westland, MI; **Lt. Jonathan Tamayo**, Special Services (pro tem until Aug. 20), DHQ.

Heartland Division

Major Jesse Collins, Tri-County Commander, Add'l Appt: Men's Ministries Sec., DHQ; **Major Jason Pollom**, CO, Danville, IL; **Captain Jason Bigelow**, Add'l Appt: Admin., Eagle Crest Camp & Retreat Center, DHQ; **Captain Jeremy Fingar**, CO, Clinton, IA; **Captains Keith & Michelle Graham**, COs, Iowa City, IA; **Captains Timothy & Peggy North**, COs, Moline Heritage Temple, IL; **Captains Martin & Shannon Thies**, COs, Waterloo-Cedar Falls, IA; **Lts. Brandon & Megan Lewis**, COs, Pekin, IL.

Indiana Division

Major Normalene Daniels, CO, Huntington, IN; **Major Donna Leedom**, Divisional Sec., DHQ; **Major Katrina Mathews**, Add'l Appt: Intercultural Field

Advisor, DHQ; **Majors Marion & Rhonda Moore**, COs, Richmond, IN; **Major Rachel Stouder**, Add'l Appt: Women's Ministries Sec., DHQ; **Majors William & Patricia Welch**, COs, Logansport, IN; **Captain Anthony Bowers**, Youth Sec., Add'l Appt: Candidates' Secretary, DHQ; **Captain Brienne Bowers**, Candidates' Sec., Add'l Appt: Youth Sec., DHQ; **Captain Jennifer Clanton**, Asst. CO, Fort Wayne, IN; **Captain Brenna Lee**, CO, Indianapolis Fountain Square, Add'l Appt: Intercultural Ministries Coord., DHQ; **Captain Antonia Marak**, Older Adult Ministries Sec., Add'l Appts: Community Care Ministries Sec., Veterans' Admin. Rep., DHQ; **Captain Dennis Marak**, Chaplain, Harbor Light Center, Indianapolis, IN; **Captain Christopher Marques**, CO, Princeton, IN; **Lts. Justin & Stephanie Hartley**, COs, Madison, IN; **Lt. Vinal Lee**, CO, Indianapolis Fountain Square, IN; **Lt. Jessica Smith**, CO, Marion, IN; **Shannon Benner**, Corps Admin., Shelbyville, IN; **Ken & Sina Locke**, Corps Admins., Warsaw, IN.

Kansas and Western Missouri Division

Majors Brian & Lee Ann Burkett, COs, Independence, MO; **Majors Lex & Patricia Giron**, COs, Kansas City Blue Valley, MO (transfer from USA Western Territory); **Major Darlene Harvey**, Add'l Appt: Moral & Ethical Issues Sec., DHQ; **Majors Ronald & Laura Key**, COs, St. Joseph, MO; **Majors Abran & Ronda Tamayo**, COs, Wichita West Orchard, KS; **Captains Paul & D. J. James**, COs, Hutchinson, KS; **Captain Denesia Polusca**, Candidates' Sec., Add'l Appt: Youth Secretary, DHQ; **Captain Norman Polusca**, Youth Sec., Add'l Appt: Candidates' Sec., DHQ; **Lt. Chelsea Barnes**, CO, Garden City, KS; **Lts. Ada Diaz Fajardo & Elis Pomales Morales**, Asst. COs for Hispanic Ministries, Salina, KS; **Lts. Brook Lopez & Cristian Lopez Azompa**, COs, Topeka Citadel, KS.

Metropolitan Division

Major Clara Braddock, Add'l Appt: Pastoral Care Officer, Hope-Strong Central Chicagoland Region; **Major Barbara Miller**, CO, Hammond-Munster, IN, Add'l Appt: Pastoral Care Officer, Hope-Strong Lake County Region; **Major Timothy Miller**, Lake County Coord., Add'l Appt: CO, Hammond-Munster, IN; **Major Barbara Owen**, Add'l Appt: Pastoral Care Officer, Hope-Strong Fox Valley Region; **Major Angela Pennington**, CO, DeKalb, IL; **Major Johanna Pook**, Add'l Appt: Regional Coord., Hope-Strong South Chicagoland Region; **Majors Victor & Cristina Stasiuc**, COs, Des Plaines, IL (transfer from Eastern Europe Territory); **Major Jennifer Velasquez**, Assoc. CO, Evanston, IL; **Captain Luis & Lt. Linda Acosta**, COs, Blue Island, IL; **Captains Michael & Alisha Cho**, COs, Mayfair Community Church, Chicago, IL; **Captain Mary Kim**, CO, Evanston, IL, Add'l Appt: Pastoral Care Officer, Hope-Strong North Chicagoland Region; **Captain Heather Montenegro**, Add'l Appt: Regional Coord., Hope-Strong Ministries Fox Valley Region; **Captain Marcelo Orbe Yanez**, CO, Belvidere, IL, Add'l Appt: Pastoral Care Officer, Hope-Strong Winnebago County Region; **Captain Monica Orbe Revelo**, CO,

Belvidere, IL; **Captain Joanna Rose**, Asst. Women's Ministries Sec., Add'l Appts: Community Care Ministries Sec., Moral & Ethical Issues Sec., DHQ; **Captains Tomas & Martha Valladares**, COs, Cicero Temple Laramie, IL; **Lt. Amanda Keene**, CO, Gary-Merrillville, IN; **Lt. Leta Marin**, Add'l Appt: Regional Coord., Hope-Strong Lake County Region; **Lt. Jonathan Tamayo**, Asst. CO, Chicago Temple, IL (effective Aug. 21); **A/Captains Pedro Pagan & Milly Lopez-Pagan**, COs, Chicago Lawn, IL.

Midland Division

Major Charlotte Hall, Add'l Appt: Older Adult Ministries Dir., DHQ; **Captains Justin & Sarah Windell**, COs, Jefferson City, MO; **Lts. Christopher & Rachel White**, COs, St. Louis Gateway Citadel, MO.

Northern Division

Majors Gary & Vickie Cole, COs, Hibbing, MN; **Majors Nelson & Deborah De La Vergne**, COs, Bismarck, ND; **Captains Jeff & Joyce Curran**, COs, Brainerd Lakes, MN; **Captains Shane & Jeanette Jensen**, Asst. COs, Fargo, ND; **Captain Judy Lowder**, CO, Jamestown, ND; **Captain Marisa McCluer**, Youth Sec., Add'l Appt: Candidates' Sec., DHQ; **Captain Matt McCluer**, Candidates' Sec., Add'l Appts: Youth Sec., Asst. Admin., Northwoods Camp & Retreat Center, DHQ; **Lts. Joseph & Rachel Irvine**, COs, Williston, ND; **Lt. Karla Salsbury**, CO, International Falls, MN; **Lts. John & Faith Woodard**, Assoc. COs, Bismarck, ND.

Western Division

Majors Mark & Susan Anderson, COs, Beatrice, NE; **Major Marlys Anderson**, CO, Sioux Falls, SD; **Majors Harold & Lynnetta Poff**, COs, North Platte, NE; **Major Jason Poff**, Capital Area Coord., Des Moines, IA, Add'l Appt: CO, Des Moines Citadel, IA; **Major Mary Poff**, CO, Des Moines Citadel, IA; **Major Daniel Sawka**, Business Officer, DHQ; **Major Stephanie Sawka**, Women's Ministries Sec., Add'l Appts: Community Care Ministries Sec., Older Adult Ministries Dir., DHQ; **Captain Adam Moore**, Divisional Secretary, Add'l Appt: Men's Ministries Secretary, DHQ; **Captain Javier Moreno**, Black Hills Area Coordinator, Add'l Appt: CO, Rapid City, SD; **Captain Kelsie Moreno**, CO, Rapid City, SD, Add'l Appts: Black Hills Area Special Services, Black Hills Camp Admin., Rapid City, SD; **Lt. Elizabeth Ayala**, CO, Grand Island, NE; **Lt. Steven Dahl**, Corps Admin., Kearney, NE; **Lts. Joseph & Pamela Gates**, COs, Des Moines Temple, IA; **Lts. Scott & Jennifer Ruse**, Asst. COs, Lincoln, NE (with responsibility for Beatrice, NE); **Lt. Crystal Sherack**, Assoc. CO, Sioux Falls, SD; **Bill & Debbi Middendorp**, Corps Admins., Mitchell, SD.

Western Michigan & Northern Indiana Division

Majors Thomas & Cynthia Brockway, COs, Alma, MI; **Major Jose Gonzalez**, Divisional Sec., Add'l Appt: Men's Ministries Sec., DHQ; **Majors William & Heather Holman**, COs, Grand Haven, MI; **Majors Mark & Valerie Nance**, COs, Muskegon Citadel, MI; **Majors Jose & Annette Tamayo**, COs, Jackson, MI; **Captain Elizabeth Clark**, Youth Sec.,

Add'l Appt: Candidates' Sec., DHQ; **Captain Janelle Gonzalez**, Program Asst., Add'l Appts: Community Care Ministries Sec., Moral & Ethical Issues Sec., DHQ; **Captains Chris & Briane Karlin**, COs, LaPorte, IN; **A/Captains Mika & Grace Roinila**, COs, Grand Rapids Fulton Hts. Citadel, MI.

Wisconsin & Upper Michigan Division

Majors Jay & Sally Davis, COs, Sheboygan, WI; **Majors Timothy & Teri Nauta**, COs, Waukesha, WI; **Major Jennifer Woodard**, Women's Ministries Sec., Add'l Appt: Community Care Ministries Sec., DHQ; **Major Steven Woodard**, Divisional Sec., Add'l Appt: Milwaukee County Coord., DHQ; **Captain Elizabeth DeLacy**, Candidates' Sec., Add'l Appt: Youth Sec., DHQ; **Captain Stephen DeLacy**, Youth Secretary, Add'l Appt: Candidates' Sec., DHQ; **Captains Donald & Vicky Karl**, Special Services (pro tem until Sept. 1 retirement), DHQ; **Captain Kirsten Kocyan**, Assoc. Kroc Center Officer, Green Bay Kroc Center, WI; **Captains Alex & Aimee Norton**, COs, Escanaba, MI; **Lts. Ross & Trisha Anderson**, COs, Oshkosh, WI; **A/Captain Leonita Schweigert**, Asst. CO, La Crosse, WI; **Brenda DeLacy**, Corps Admin., Hancock, MI; **Vong & Ting Luangkhamdeng**, Corps Admins., Madison Genesis, WI.

Territorial Headquarters

Major Lesa Davis, Spiritual Life Development Sec.; **Major Cassandra DeJesus**, Corps & Community Mission Sec., Corps Revitalization; **Major William DeJesus**, Corps & Community Mission Sec., Corps Planting; **Major Carol Wurtz**, Pastoral Care Officer, Add'l Appt: Events Coordinator; **Captain Katherine Clausell**, Social Justice & Urban Mission Sec.; **Captain Ketsia Diaz**, Intercultural Ministries Sec.; **Captain Kelly Hanton**, Candidates' Sec.; **Captain Michael Hanton**, Youth Sec.; **Captain Derek Rose**, Auditor; **Captain AJ Zimmerman**, Asst. Youth Sec.

Out of Territory

Majors Ho Yoon & Kehyoung Chang, COs, Tri-Cities, CA (USA Western Territory).

Awaiting appointments

Lt. Robyn Hubbard; **Lt. Anil Kumar**

Retirements

July 1: **Majors John & Faye Flanagan**; **Majors Keith & Bethany Petrie**; **Majors Thomas & Belinda Riggs**; **Envoy James Hulet** (effective June 24); **Envoy Beverly Mayfield**.

August 1: **Majors James & Elizabeth Beardsley**; **Majors Kenneth & Robin Shiels**; **Majors Russ & Jan Sjogren**.

September 1: **Captains Donald & Vicky Karl**

October 1: **Major Elsie Cline**

CO/COs = Corps Officer(s)

DHQ = Divisional Headquarters

Promoted to Glory

Lt. Colonel William Himes

A role model of a life lovingly given to serving God, Lt. Colonel William Himes was promoted to Glory on May 20, 2019. William was by nature a builder. His ministry was characterized as biblically grounded and people centered, leading to growth and development in people and programs wherever he served.



William grew up attending the Flint Citadel, Mich., Corps. As a young man he enlisted in the U.S. Army and while stationed in the Philippines received his calling to fulltime ministry. When he returned home he married his high school sweetheart, Mavis Payne. They entered officer training and were commissioned in 1949 with "The Peacemakers" session.

For 41 years William and Mavis served in corps and divisional appointments, including leading the Wisconsin and Upper Michigan, Eastern Michigan and Indiana divisions. They also spent several years at territorial headquarters, where William was community relations and development secretary.

Mavis was promoted to Glory shortly after their retirement in 1990. In 1991 William married Shirley Aukes, and they shared 26 happy years in Clearwater, Fla., until Shirley's passing in 2017.

William is survived by his children, Bill, Ruth Rowland, David, Catherine Wyatt, Cheryl Tolcher and Steven; step-children, Chris Aukes, Wendy Boettger and Jane Clark; grandchildren, great-grandchildren and many other family members and friends.

Captain Katie Harris-Smith

Captain Katie Harris-Smith was promoted to Glory on April 20, 2019. Katie was known as a prayer warrior who loved to sing praises in the house of the Lord and study His Word.



Katie was saved at an early age and later renewed her commitment to Christ. Prior to entering the College for Officer Training, she held ministry positions at the Milwaukee West, Wis., and the Waukesha, Wis., corps.

As part of the "God's Fellow Workers" session, she was commissioned in 2008. Katie served as the corps officer in East St. Louis, Ill., and Columbia, Mo. Her final appointment was as chaplain/mission integration officer at the Chicago, Ill., Adult Rehabilitation Center Women's Campus.

She is survived by her five children, Sharonda, Elizabeth, Sonya, Alicia and Donte; her mother, Isabella Tabor; five sisters, four brothers, 11 grandchildren, three great-grandchildren

and a host of other relatives and friends. She was preceded in death by her husband, Pedro Moreno.

Major William Heaver

Major William Heaver, 61, was promoted to Glory on May 23, 2019. An avid outdoorsman, motorcyclist and "ham" radio operator, Bill used his gifts and interests to serve the Lord. He was a member of the Christian Motorcyclists Association and used his radio skills to serve on the Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio Network (SATERN).



After finishing high school, Bill became a police officer and served in Detroit, Mich., for 10 years before entering the College for Officer Training in 1987. A member of the "Ambassadors for Christ" session, he was commissioned in 1989.

He earned an associate's degree in practical ministries and a bachelor's degree in counseling psychology, which served him well in his appointments at corps, harbor light centers and as emergency disaster communications coordinator at Metropolitan Divisional Headquarters.

Bill is survived by his wife, Major Michele; children, Jennifer Knight and Jonathan; sister, Carol McDonald, and many other family members and friends.

Major John MacDonald

Major John "Jack" MacDonald was promoted to Glory on May 5, 2019. Jack is remembered for his gentle and generous spirit and wonderful sense of humor. It was his joy to serve others, particularly those struggling with homelessness or addictions.



After surviving Pearl Harbor as a Marine, Jack married Jeanne Agre and pursued officership in the Southern Territory, feeling God had spared him for that purpose. The MacDonalds served in corps appointments before a break in service during which Jack earned degrees from the University of Michigan and Eastern Michigan University and certification as a social worker.

In 1973 the MacDonalds were reaccepted as officers in the Central Territory where they led the Detroit, Mich., Harbor Light Center for 16 years before retiring in 1989.

Jack was preceded in death by his wife and their daughter, Joy Taylor. He is survived by his daughter, Barbara; five grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; his sister Judy Mitchell and many nieces and nephews.