I always clean my plate (mom and dad taught me that). Thanks to others (primarily a sweet spouse), my plate is full and well-balanced nutritionally. Likewise, for going on 91 years, City Union Mission has offered well-balanced food programs for the thousands of men, women and children we serve each year.

From Dan’s Desk

City Union Mission offers hope to those with empty plates—nutritious, delicious food, as well as encouragement, educational opportunities, help for addictions and the life-changing message of the Gospel of hope found in Jesus Christ. Thank you for your partnership. Please help us as often as possible to continue offering hope by the plateful.

For His glory,
Rev. Daniel J. Doty
Executive Director
City Union Mission

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Shannon and her two sons are enrolled in our New Life Program. Last year after much hesitation and fear, she came to the Mission. Shannon and her sons share a tight bond and are now转折为a family stronger than ever. “I look at my boys and think ‘I’m a mom now. ’” Shannon says. She is making a difference in the lives of people by coming to the Mission.

Giving Meals of Hope

Groups of all sizes can turn hunger into hope by helping to feed men, women and children in our facilities. Here are two ways your group can participate:

SHARE a MEAL
Sponsor breakfast, lunch or dinner for approximately $1.90 per plate. Your group can cover the cost of a meal only, or pay at least one of our locations to help prepare the food, serve it and clean up after it. At Men’s Center—$725 breakfast, $550 lunch, $330 dinner Family Shelter—$120 breakfast, $170 lunch, $150 dinner Christian Life Center—$90 lunch, $110 dinner

BRING & SERVE
Your group may also choose to prepare a meal of your choice at your own facility and bring it to serve at one of our facilities.

For more information or to sign up for a meal, fill out the volunteer application at www.cityunionmission.org.

For your financial support and helping hands,

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Executive Director Dan Doty (right) is grateful for support from above and partners, which allows the Mission to become a “Handful of Hope” to every person in care.

For SEAN

Sean has a changed heart and a new outlook on life. “I’m a Christian now. I was taught how to let the Lord be God of my life. I’m learning about stewardship. I want to be able to give back. My children are excited for me to become a contributing member of the community. When I first came here, I became Father’s Day because I was lost. When I came back, I wanted to be an assets to God because I love Him.”

Shelter, for Veronica

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For VERONICA

“Still others come with no knowledge that a loving God truly cares for them and longs to have a relationship with them because He is the God of hope,” says Youngblood.

Gathering of the Harvest

During the month of September, the Mission is asking churches and businesses all across the metro area to gather canned corn, green beans, mixed vegetables and fruit at all kinds of stock our shelves this fall. “The harvest” will be used to feed our hungry neighbors throughout the months ahead. If you are interested in participating in this fulfilling drive, you can sign up at www.cityunionmission.org/drive. We ask that all canned goods be delivered to the Mission Food Warehouse, 1020 E. 10th Street, Kansas City, Missouri, by October 9.

Reconciliation for Sean

“I came back to the Mission to finish what God started,” says 47-year-old Sean, a graduate of our Christian Life Program. He first joined the program over a decade ago after addiction had ended his second marriage and estranged him from his children. “But I wasn’t ready,” he explains. After continuing a lifestyle that left him dead inside, he returned last year, determined to take responsibility for his past and renew his relationship with his children.

“Today, Sean has a changed heart and a new outlook on life,” says Youngblood.”I was severely depressed. I couldn’t get out of bed. I couldn’t go to the things my children wanted,” says Sheryl, a graduate of our New Life Program. Eventually, she and her husband divorced, and she told him that the house that he could take care of their son and daughter. “I had nowhere to go but to City Union Mission,” she says. And the moment she walked in the door, she believed her life could change.

Healing for Sheryl

The classes there—decision-making, recovery, co-dependency—they changed my whole thinking, attitudes and behaviors. City Union Mission loved me into a place of healing,” she says. “They gave me a foundation, a sense of ownership, I want to be able to give back. My children are excited for me to become a contributing member of the community. When I first came here, I became Father’s Day because I was lost. When I came back, I wanted to be an assets to God because I love Him.”

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Thank You, BWAM!

Nearly 200 riders, passengers and other motorcycle enthusiasts turned out for the 26th annual Bikers With A Mission (BWAM) Homeless Benefit Ride on July 11. Nearly $21,000 in cash and pledges was secured to help City Union Mission assist our area’s homeless and working poor, raising the total funds raised for the yearly ride to $667,619. The proceeds help Mission clients with needs over and above those we typically budget for, including utility assistance, eyeglasses, dental care, bus tokens and baby formula.

Sponsored by Cumulus Media and 101 The Fox, activities began with lunch at Worth Harley Davidson. The 80-mile ride concluded at the Cricket Wireless Amphitheatre with dinner and the Rock n Roll Dream Concert.

Because of You and City Union Mission

Imagine if there were no City Union Mission. Because of you, there is! Here’s a snapshot of what we accomplished together this past year:

- 517 impoverished children attended camp
- 676 families received Christmas assistance
- 126 people enrolled in long-term recovery programs
- 200 families received Thanksgiving food boxes
- 8,939 individuals were treated for medical needs
- 5 clients passed the high-school equivalency test

Can You Benefit from a Charitable Gift Annuity?

Request our brochure called Maximizing Income While Serving the Poor or Homeless. Simply check the box on the reply device and it will be mailed to you!

We’re Here To Help!

Meet City Union Mission’s Development Team, dedicated to helping friends and partners fulfill their desire to care for their neighbors in need. If you have questions or need more information, please contact us at (816) 474-9380.

Dennis Ellis
Church Relations Specialist
Talk with Dennis to discover the many ways your congregation can serve at the Mission, or to schedule a Mission representative to speak at your church.

Sandy Baldwin
Donor Connections Specialist
If your desire is to partner with the Mission at a significant financial level, Sandy is here to answer your questions and help you achieve your philanthropic goals.

Laurie Grant
Marketing Coordinator
Laurie welcomes your suggestions for ways to use social media, the Mission’s website, radio and television, and other marketing tools to spread the Mission’s message.

Calvin Caylor
Associate Development Officer
As coordinator of our planned giving program, Calvin can guide you in leaving a legacy of love and support for the Mission and the men, women and children we serve.

Ben King
Manager of Events & Volunteer Programs
For answers to questions about any of the Mission’s special events, ask for Ben. He can also provide details on the Mission’s volunteer and internship programs.

Chris Eveler
Impact Volunteer Administrator
In conjunction with Ben, Chris provides leadership for the volunteer program and can guide you or your group through the registration and training process.

Calvin Caylor...

Financial Update:

FY 2015 Budget
$10,682,751.00

Amount Raised
(As of August 4, 2015)
$9,270,589.66