



**A Catholic canonical missionary community
consecrated to the beating Hearts of Jesus & Mary, whose
mission is evangelization among the materially poor**

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40 Years Moving with His Beating Heart among the Neglected Poor

Dear Friends of LAMP Catholic Ministries,

How wonderful it is to have some of LAMP's outreaches in service again. As we are now being blest with new LAMP Missionaries, we look forward to when the indoor one-on-one outreaches can resume as well (in shelters, nursing homes, city hospitals, detention center). This comes three months after we acknowledged, with great thanks to the Lord, LAMP's 40th Anniversary on March 25th. In this bi-annual Newsletter we give thanks for the past and the present. What has been constant has been (is) God's abundant grace, manifested in the spiritual nourishment, and at times, transformation of the multitudes served, as well as of the lives of the LAMP Missionaries.

We want to acknowledge the abundant care given LAMP over these years through the patronage of St. Joseph, which has truly been miraculous, and manifested through many of you. We are grateful beyond words for the intercession of St. Joseph, and of our Blessed Mother Mary. The enclosed prayer has been said daily by the LAMP Missionaries for most of these years. My dear wife, Lyn (+2018), guided another artist to do the drawing of St. Joseph. Would you consider praying this prayer with us?

We look forward to the continuation of God's wonders through LAMP's Missionaries serving His Love to those in need, with your help.

With Gratitude and Prayers,

Tom

Tom Scheuring, Ph.D.
Director

Marybeth + Ed

Marybeth & Ed Greene
Pastoral Directors



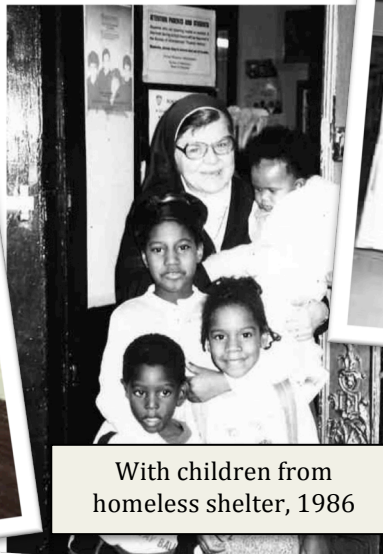
(Left) Cardinal John O'Connor, after blessing the LAMPcaf  truck, signs the document declaring LAMP Ministries a Private Association of the Christian Faithful, with Tom & Lyn, Marybeth & Ed, 1999. (Middle) Tom with Cardinal Timothy Dolan visiting a woman who is homeless at LAMPcaf , 2017. (Right) Lyn praying with a gentleman who asked for prayers, circa 2005.

Years of Encounters and Accompaniments Lasting into Eternity

Thank you, Lord, for the faith-blest and generous lay and religious LAMP Missionaries who have loved Your Poor with the love of Your Beating Heart over these 40 years.



Visiting families
In the S. Bronx, 1983



With children from
homeless shelter, 1986



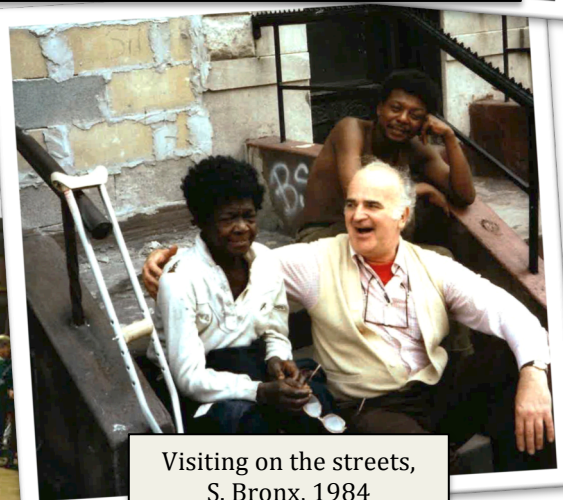
Preparing children from homeless shelter to
receive Sacraments, Manhattan, 1987



LAMPLighters - training children
in compassionate leadership,
Bronx, 1985



Supporting poor families,
Steubenville, OH,
through LAMPcafé, 1994



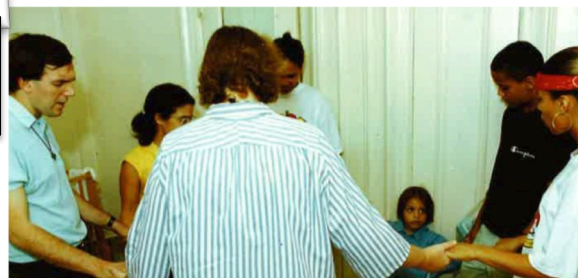
Visiting on the streets,
S. Bronx, 1984



With children in low income
housing, Bronx, 2004



With a person on the street,
Times Square, 2018



Praying with homeless family, Harlem, 1992

**"Our encounters
are moments that
can affect others
for eternity!"**

-Lyn Scheuring

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Sharing the love of Jesus with the hungry,
S. Bronx, 2010



His Image and Likeness

As we serve so many marginalized poor persons of color, we realize how helpful it is to them to receive a holy card of Jesus and Mary depicted with their likeness. I serve several days a week as a LAMP Missionary at Holy Cross Church in the Times Square area. On this particular day, LAMP Missionary Monique and I had two visits with homeless men that emphasized how Jesus wants to identify with each person.

We encountered a man who was on line outside of a NYC office to see his parole officer. When we greeted him (we'll call him Jonas) and gave him a picture of Jesus as a black person, he exclaimed: "Wow! A Black Jesus!" He immediately began sharing with us and revealed how God had just intervened in his life. His parole officer had called his brother to say that if he (Jonas) didn't come to his appointment, he would get into serious trouble. He was so grateful to his officer and saw that her call was God helping him. We ended our visit with a prayer of gratitude.

At another moment that day we handed the same holy card to a man we were visiting with, standing in front of a shelter where he lives. When he saw the picture of the black Jesus, he shouted out: "This is the most accurate picture of Jesus I have ever seen!" He went on to explain that he grew up with seeing pictures of a white Jesus that gave him a sense of estrangement. He was so happy to have the image we gave him. – Ed Greene, Pastoral Co-Director

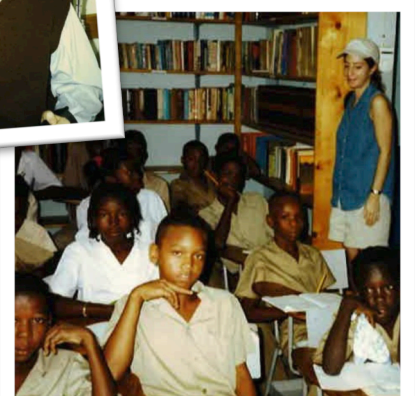
(Left) New LAMP Missionaries **Matthew Fulton, Monique Romany**, and Volunteer **Jose Luna**, visit with a man homeless on the street in Manhattan, and a bite to eat. (Above) **Matthew (r) and Sr. Angel Mary** pray with a homeless gentleman.

Over these 40 years, the children of Tom & Lyn have participated in LAMP's mission when they were able. These photos from the archives capture some of their presence and support.



(l) **Maria**, with Det. Steven McDonald, who was a long-time LAMP Missionary-at-Large, 1996.

(r) **Malissa** gave teacher training to Jamaica, WI teachers under LAMP's banner, 2006.



(r) **Paul**, with Marybeth and Lyn, serving at an Evangelization Concert in a low-income housing project, 2004.

Announcements

In his kindness, God has begun resending new LAMP Missionaries with a call to ease the burden and lighten the load of His poor:

Matthew Fulton, from Florida, has arrived and is making his home in the Beating Heart of Jesus
Monique Romany is from Trinidad, but the Lord led her on a journey where she discovered a call to LAMP.

Sr. Angel Mary is an Apostolic Sister of St. John, and with her community's permission, has come a 2nd time to express God's love to the needy living in NYC.

Matthew, Monique and Sr. Angel serve the hungry/homeless in neighborhoods of the South Bronx and the Times Square area of Manhattan.

This is our first newsletter using LAMP's new logo. It is strong, simple, up to date, and we believe it captures LAMP's mission of moving with the Lord's beating Heart among the materially poor. We are weak, but He is very strong!

*LAMP Missionary Associate **Erin McAtee** engages guests at the LAMPcafé, offering portraits and a conversation that fosters faith and healing.*



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