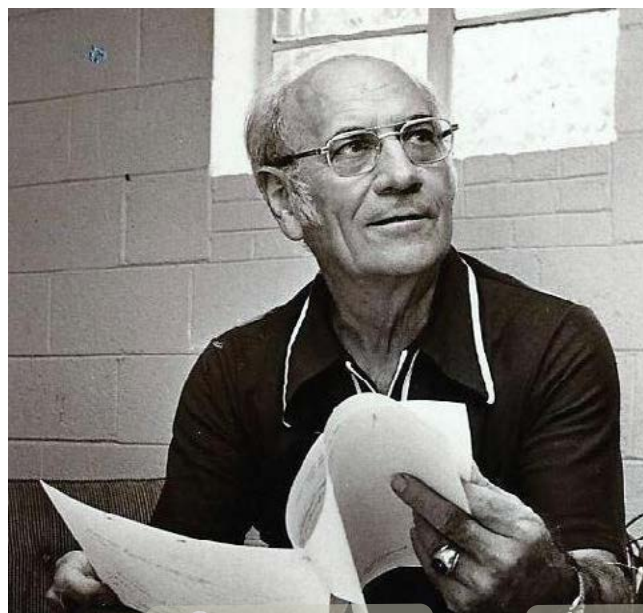


Crisis
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MINISTRY

50
YEARS

50 YEARS OF NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS



"All things become possible in a loving community."
Reverend Ron Rice, Crisis Control Ministry Founder & First Executive Director



"A healthy community exists when life is good for all people, not just some people."
Margaret Elliott, Current Executive Director

In 1973, the members of a loving community came together with a passion for helping their neighbors in need. It is from their vision that Crisis Control Ministry was born. Today, 50 years later, those seeds of kindness have grown and blossomed into a place that provides love and support to those in our community who are facing a crisis. Year after year the ministry has adapted to serve the needs of a new generation. We could not have done this without the firm foundation provided by those early visionaries and the continued support of a loving community.

"Neighbors helping neighbors" is not just a tagline; at Crisis Control Ministry, it is at the heart of our mission. As we look forward to the next 50 years, we are inspired by the knowledge that our founder, the Reverend Ron Rice, was right, "All things are possible in a loving community."



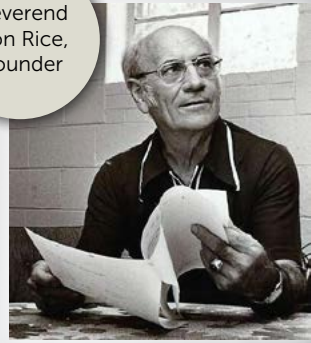
1973-1984

April 4, 1973

Crisis Control Ministry opened its doors at 930 Patterson Avenue to coordinate the financial and volunteer resources of the religious community with the expertise and programs of Forsyth County's social service agencies.

Reverend Ronald E. Rice, Sr. was the first Executive Director.

Reverend Ron Rice, Founder



1973
The oil crisis sent gas prices soaring from \$0.39 to \$0.59 per gallon.

Reverend Ron Rice & Ginny Britt



Reverend Michael Curry, Board Chair 1980-82



October 1977

The ministry opened a satellite office in Kernersville to serve people in the eastern part of the county.

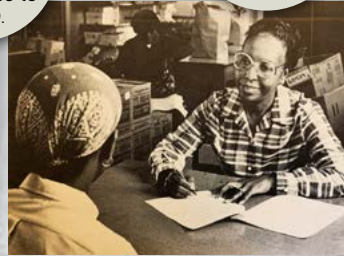
1977-1996

Ginny N. Britt was a member of the original task force that established Crisis Control Ministry and served as vice president of the board of directors. In 1977, She assumed the position of Executive Director. She served in that position from 1977 to 1996.

1974
The first Universal Product Code (UPC) was scanned.



1973
Rising inflation sent the price of a loaf of bread from \$0.35 to \$0.49.



1975
April 30 marked the end of the Vietnam War.

1980-1982

The young Reverend Michael Curry was Board Chair. Now, The Most Reverend Michael Curry is the presiding bishop of The Episcopal Church. He returned to Winston-Salem on April 3, 2023 to bring a message of hope and inspiration to Crisis Control Ministry's 50th Anniversary Celebration and Worship Service.

1970s
The average cost of a new home rose from \$23,400 to \$58,500.

1970s
The median family income increased from \$9,350 to \$17,550.

1981
Sandra Day O'Connor, first woman on the US Supreme Court



1979
Music became portable with the introduction of the Sony Walkman.

1977-1996
Ginny Britt, Executive Director

February 1981

In February of 1981, Samaritan Soup Kitchen opened its doors. It was sponsored by Crisis Control Ministry.

1973
The cost of a first-class postage stamp was \$0.08.

1977
The original Star Wars movie premiered.

1981
The first home computer was introduced by Apple with 4KB of memory.

1977
MTV debuted with the broadcast of, "Video Killed the Radio Star."



"Crisis Control Ministry Saved My Life."

In the 1980s, Sandi, a single mother, began a new chapter of her life as a newlywed. Along with her children and new husband, she left behind the familiarity of Portland, Oregon, and moved to Winston-Salem. Isolated from family and friends, her new life quickly unraveled as her husband became controlling and abusive.

Determined to break free from the cycle of abuse, Sandi worked tirelessly at her job, taking overtime shifts and saving every penny. It was during this time that a co-worker mentioned Crisis Control Ministry. However, it took a near-fatal attack for Sandi to finally muster the courage to reach out, and in that instant, her life changed forever.

"Crisis Control Ministry took immediate action and rallied the community around me and my children," Sandi recalls. The staff and volunteers helped contact the Forsyth County Department of Child Protective Services and the police department to ensure the safety of Sandi and her children. A safe haven was provided for the family with temporary emergency shelter in a local hotel. Crisis Control Ministry helped connect her to legal resources, empowering her to break free.

"Through it all, Crisis Control Ministry was there for me and my family," Sandi says. The ministry helped her find permanent housing - a place to call home and connected her with community resources. In the cold winter, when her paycheck stretched thin, Crisis Control Ministry was there, ensuring that her family stayed warm and well-fed.

Years later, grateful for the lifeline Crisis Control Ministry had provided, Sandi became a devoted donor to the organization, ensuring that others could find the same support. "Crisis Control Ministry will always hold a special place in my heart," Sandi declares. "They saved my life, literally."

Sandi's story is a testament to the power of compassion, the strength of the human spirit, and the transformative impact of Crisis Control Ministry. It is a reminder that even in the darkest times, hope can be found, and lives can be rebuilt. Sandi's journey from victim to survivor, and recipient to giver, is an inspiration to us all. It urges us to extend a helping hand to those in need and to never underestimate the profound difference one act of kindness can make.

Name was changed to protect identities.



1985-2003

1985 Crisis Control Ministry opened the doors of its current offices at 200 East Tenth Street in Winston-Salem. The building is located next door to the original location.

1987 Crisis Control Ministry opened the first licensed free pharmacy in North Carolina.

Today, it is the largest nonprofit free pharmacy in Forsyth County. It serves residents of Forsyth and Stokes Counties.

May 1, 1990 The first annual Hope du Jour, a community event when local food and beverage establishments donate 10% of their proceeds to Crisis Control Ministry.

1991 Crisis Control Ministry's Kernersville satellite office moved to its current location at 431 West Bodenhamer Street.

1999 Margaret Elliott, current Executive Director, was hired.

March 2001 Crisis Control Ministry implemented the first annual Wee Care! Cereal Drive. Crisis Control Ministry developed this program for preschool and elementary school-age children. It helps them learn about giving to others through activities and donating breakfast cereals to Crisis Control Ministry's client-choice food pantries.

October 8, 2003 First Carolina Classic (formerly Dixie Classic) Fair Food Drive. The tradition continues; individuals who donate non-perishable food items get free admission.



Offices at 200 East 10th Street



Food Day at the Carolina Classic Fair



Wee Care! Cereal Drive



CRISIS CONTROL MINISTRY The Ron E. Rice Building

9/11/2001 Terrorist attack the World Trade Center and the Pentagon.

1986 Space Shuttle Challenger disaster

1998 Google is founded.

2000 Y2K bug was projected to create havoc in computers.



Hope du Jour, an annual event since 1990

1980s The median family income increased from \$21,020 to \$35,350.



Satellite office 431 Bodenhamer, Kernersville



1999 Margaret Elliott hired as Executive Director.

2001 Apple introduced the iPod.

1994 Jeff Bezos launches Amazon.

Neighbors Donate to Help Neighbors

Our donors and supporters are the heart of Crisis Control Ministry. Individual donors contribute gifts of money, stock, cryptocurrency, and required IRA disbursements, making up two-thirds of our annual income. Beyond financial contributions, our community provides crucial in-kind donations, including unopened medications for our pharmacy, food for our pantries, vehicles and boats to consign, and household items for our thrift store, in addition to organizing food drives and supporting our fundraising events.

It is through our community's multifaceted support that we will continue to serve as a pillar of hope for our community for generations to come. We are deeply grateful for the unwavering dedication of our supporters, who make our life-changing work possible every day. Thanks to their dedication, we have expanded our reach, offering a lifeline to those facing financial crises, food insecurity, and unaffordable healthcare. We could not do it without you.

Long Standing Annual Fundraising Events



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crisiscontrol.org/weecare



Since 1990, participating food and beverage establishments donate 10% of their proceeds on the first Tuesday in May to Crisis Control Ministry. This is a community-wide event that allows everyone the opportunity to help out by eating out.

hopedujour.org



Each year, Crisis Control Ministry offers beautiful holiday cards designed by local artists. A dedicated army of volunteers work to hand-address and mail the cards. Purchase of these cards supports Crisis Control Ministry. Cards are available October thru December.

crisiscontrol.org/holidaycards



2004-2023

2004 Crisis Control Ministry opened the first Client-Choice Food Pantry in Forsyth County.

2004 Crisis Control Ministry transitioned its free clothing room to the WS Rescue Mission.

2005 Crisis Control Ministry donated the property of its first location at 930 Patterson Avenue to the Bethesda Center to build a new administrative building and shelter for the unhoused.

2006 Crisis Control Ministry expanded service to residents of Stokes County.

2007 Crisis Control Ministry awarded the Nonprofit Sector Stewardship Award by the North Carolina Center for Nonprofits.

2012 Crisis Control Ministry received Level III (top level) accreditation from NC Association of Free and Charitable Clinics (NCA FCC).

2013 Crisis Control Ministry awarded the coveted Weston Award for excellence in nonprofit management.

2020 In response to COVID-19 pandemic, Crisis Control Ministry made changes to continue service to the community. Crisis Control Ministry implemented phone interviews and curb-side service for both food and pharmacy orders.

April 4, 2023 Crisis Control Ministry celebrated its 50th Anniversary.

August 26, 2023 Free and open to all, the Rhythm & Hope Community Concert was held to celebrate 50 years of service.



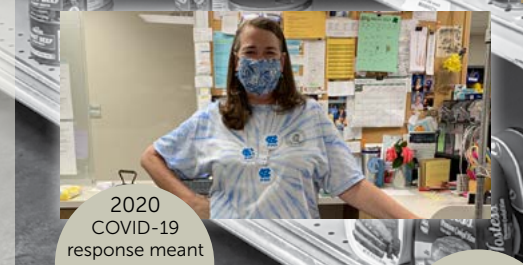
2004 First Client-Choice Food Pantry in Forsyth County



2012 Pharmacy is awarded highest level accreditation from NCA FCC.



2020 COVID-19 confirmed in US in January.



2020 COVID-19 response meant changes, but uninterrupted services.



2023 Attic Ladies awarded Governor's Service Award



2022 ChatGPT was launched in November.



2014 Crisis Control Ministry introduces Poverty Simulation.



2006 Pluto demoted to dwarf planet.

2023 Median cost of a house in Forsyth County \$265,000.

2004 Facebook launches on February 4.



2023 Attic Ladies awarded Governor's Service Award



2022 Queen Elizabeth dies, ending her 70-year reign.

Neighbors Volunteer to Help Neighbors

Since the beginning, Crisis Control Ministry's volunteers have been vital to the work we do. While the way we work has changed over the years, one thing that has remained consistent is the compassion dedicated volunteers show to our neighbors seeking assistance. No matter what talents or time you have to share, there is an opportunity for you to volunteer with Crisis Control Ministry.

Volunteer Opportunities Include:

Interviewer, Front Desk Receptionist, Food Pantry Assistant, Pharmacy Tech Assistant, Administrative Assistant, Committee Members, Special Events Volunteer, Poverty Simulation Volunteer

To learn more, visit our website:

crisiscontrol.org/volunteer

Poverty Awareness Programs

Living on the Edge

In this 90-minute interactive experience about the perceptions of poverty, participants learn about the misconceptions, disadvantages and consequences of poverty in America. They learn the difference between situational and generational poverty, and explore the challenge of having to choose between essential life needs.



Poverty Simulation

A 2-hour guided experience designed to expose participants to the realities of poverty, including the challenges of navigating the complex world of essential service providers. Participants assume the role of a family member in a low-income household trying to meet their basic needs on a limited budget over four 15-minute weeks.



Bridges Out of Poverty

This 4-hour seminar is designed to develop an understanding of the effects of poverty across social and economic groups. Based on the book, "Bridges Out of Poverty," by Ruby K. Payne, Ph.D., Philip E. DeVol, and Terie Sressi-Smith, this seminar is ideal for individuals who work with or whose career impacts those living in or near the poverty level.



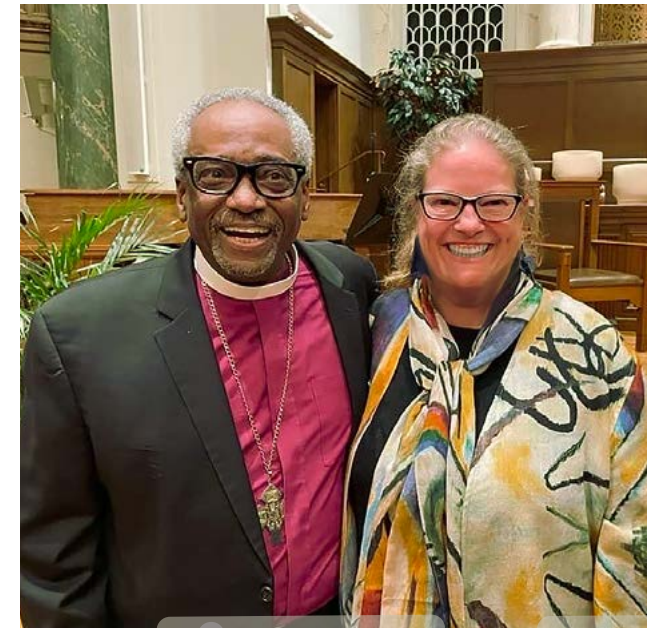


On April 3, 2023, the community gathered to celebrate 50 years of Crisis Control Ministry's service to the community. The Most Reverend Michael B. Curry, presiding bishop of The Episcopal Church and former Crisis Control Ministry board chair, stated in his message of hope,

"The mission of Crisis Control is not just to help folk who are in need - although it must do that - but to help all of us who are in need of each other. That is the core mission of Crisis Control."

The Bishop's statement eloquently expresses our mission. From the beginning, Crisis Control Ministry has served as a bridge in the community between our neighbors who need help and those who, in their hearts, have a drive and compassion to help others. We are honored and blessed to have filled this role in the community for more than fifty years.

Neighbors Helping Neighbors for 50 Years



"Crisis Control Ministry was and has been one of the most important things I've ever done."
The Most Reverend Michael Curry, presiding bishop of The Episcopal Church



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