



The Agape House

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Dear Pastor:

Trinity Reformed Church has been a pillar in the North Plainfield community for over 100 years. Being led by the Holy Spirit, they felt a calling to follow the Great Commission by planting a church. Beginning in 2009, representatives from the church and classis began to explore the best course of action for this congregation. They looked at several different models and they were led to plant a "legacy congregation." In August 2010, the vision of Trinity came to fruition with the establishment of The Agape House of North Jersey.

The Agape House is a new and viable community-oriented ministry that is committed to worshiping the living God in a way that transcends race, ethnicity, gender, and socioeconomic status. We believe that it is our mission to be extensions of God's love to North Plainfield and the surrounding communities. And since our inception, we have attempted to live out that mission. In October we hosted a Halloween Outreach in the center of town where we handed out Agape House bags, pens, magnets, water bottles, and candy to the children of this community. In November we participated in Church World Service CROP Hunger Walk to assist in ending hunger. In celebration of Black History Month, we hosted a community worship service. We also started the A.G.A.P.E. After School program to provide parents a low-cost, safe environment for their children during the hours of 3:00-6:00 PM. In order for us to have the ability to continue to provide similar services to the community as we lead people to Christ, we need your help.

Our greatest evangelism tool thus far has been our after school program. However, our budget will be unable to sustain this outreach. We are looking to add 20 more children to our program this year, but funding must be in place to go forward. "I love The Agape House and I want other kids to come," says Tyriq, the first student that we recruited in our after school program. Not only did Tyriq love the program, but after coming in contact with the ministry through the after school program, Tyriq's parents and grandparents joined the ministry. Each donation will not only change the life of a child, but an entire family as it has done so far.

Donations that are made will be used for the sole purpose of building God's Kingdom. Jesus gave us a mission to change the world, and it can seem overwhelming at times. As fellow laborers in the Gospel, you know the price of doing ministry. The rewards, however, are priceless. With a donation to The Agape House, you can touch the lives of people who either don't know or have forgotten about the love of God. Your donation will not only help us close the gaps in our budget but it will help in bringing people to salvation. Thank you for your time and your much-needed support.

Yours Faithfully,

Rev. Calbert R. Brantley

Pastor