

## **Memphis Community HIV/AIDS Healing Service**

The 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Memphis Community HIV/AIDS Healing Service will be held on Sunday, October 26, 2008, at 6:00 p.m., at Calvary Episcopal Church, 102 N. Second St., Memphis, TN. Click on (link) for additional information.

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On Sunday, October 26, 2008, at 6:00 p.m., Calvary Episcopal Church, 102 N. Second St. downtown Memphis, will host the 20th Annual HIV/AIDS Community Healing Service. The Rev. Dr. Frank Anthony Thomas, Senior Pastor of Mississippi Boulevard Christian Church (MBCC) will preach and the adult choir from MBCC will provide music for this service of hope and healing.

From the beginning, the HIV/AIDS Community Healing Service has been a celebration of life! Even in the face of so many lives lost to HIV/AIDS in the 1980s, the early organizers of this ecumenical service recognized the power that prayer, community support, and hope would provide in the lives of those touched by HIV/AIDS. Each cutout shape in the muslin fabric sculpture that hangs from Calvary's beams during the month of October honors someone living with HIV/AIDS. The uplifting music and hope-filled prayers inspire courage for the living and encourage celebration of the lives of those lost.

During this year's service, an offering for Hope House will be collected. Hope House is a non-profit agency committed to family-centered, community-based, coordinated care for children ages six weeks through six years who are infected or affected by HIV and AIDS (Pediatric AIDS). Founded by the Junior League of Memphis in 1994, the mission of Hope House is to address the medical, psychological and educational needs of HIV-affected children and their families, as well as the complicated social issues often present due to poverty, lack of education, and substance abuse. By providing pre-school education, day care services, respite care, and 24-hour emergency care, Hope House is filling a void that existed in the continuum of care for HIV-positive families in the Memphis area.

All are welcome to attend the HIV/AIDS Community Healing Service and reception following in Calvary's Great Hall. For more information, please contact 901-525-6602 or visit [www.calvarymemphis.org](http://www.calvarymemphis.org).

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