



# 2022

## DurhamCares

### YEAR-IN-REVIEW



Durham





## OUR MISSION

The mission of DurhamCares is to foster collaboration, develop leaders, and educate the people of our city to care for their neighbors in holistic ways.

## OUR VALUES

1 We are motivated and guided by the life and work of Jesus Christ

2 We listen to all voices, particularly those on the margins

3 We value collaboration that is inclusive, equitable and holistic

4 We educate, train and equip others

Reynolds Chapman



## Letter from Our Executive Director

A pilgrimage participant shared the following reflection about their experience on the Durham Pilgrimage of Pain and Hope:

*The Pilgrimage has opened my eyes to more of the specific, living history (and stories) of Durham. It has also taught me how to live more of a pilgrim lifestyle, no matter where I am. The Pilgrimage rocked my core assumptions about my faith, vocation, and the institutions with which I am affiliated. AND The Pilgrimage gave me hope and concrete skills to build and connect with individuals, communities, and myself going forward.*

This reflection epitomizes the impact of our work at DurhamCares. Through the Durham Pilgrimage of Pain and Hope, the concrete story of Durham—and the opportunity to reflect on how it relates to our story and God’s story—not only teaches information: it opens our eyes to help us see in new ways. It “rocks our core assumptions,” and gives “hope and concrete skills to build.” One of the core values of the Durham Pilgrimage is transformation, and this reflection represents just one of the 205 lives who were transformed by the pilgrimage in 2022. Those lives carry forward their changed hearts into the many areas in which they live, work, and play in Durham. And we at DurhamCares continue to accompany them on the journey through ongoing opportunities for deepening their love of their neighbors.

Our partnerships, community education, and Church mobilization work have a similar impact. As we witness the challenges we face in Durham—increasing wealth disparity, an affordable housing crisis, fear and death from violence—we are convinced that the Church must be in the heart of our city’s burdens: listening, caring, and responding holistically. Through all our programs, we inspire and catalyze the Church to get outside its walls, to live out the unity to which we are called, and to witness to the hope, healing, and transformation of Jesus Christ.

As I reflect on 2022, I’m grateful for the hundreds of people who have joined us in our work. I’m thankful for the program partners, staff, volunteers, and financial partners. All of you played a vital role in carrying forward our work. Please take some time to read the annual report to learn more about what we have accomplished in 2022. Thank you for loving your neighbors with us.



## Welcome to the Team!

In June of this year we welcomed Rev. Sheritta Michelle Williams to the team as our new Program Director. Rev. Williams is now overseeing the pilgrimage, church mobilization, and community education at DurhamCares. She has already brought creativity, ingenuity, and passion to our work at DurhamCares and we’re so excited to have her on board!

# DURHAM Pilgrimage OF Pain & Hope

14

Number of  
Pilgrimages

205

Number of  
Participants

Thank you to all our pilgrimage facilitators who led pilgrimages this year.

Rev. Dr. Keith Daniel, Valerie Helbert,  
Rev. Breana van Velzen, Rev. Tiffney  
Marley, Stephanie Holmer, Rev.  
Dorothy Clark, Tekia Harris,  
& Meredith Rawls

In a survey sent to all this year’s pilgrimage participants, with 77 responses:

100%

said “I developed meaningful relationships during the Pilgrimage.”

99%

said “The Pilgrimage helped me understand how Durham’s story and my story are related.”

99%

said “The Pilgrimage helped me discern my purpose and calling in the world and in Durham.”

99%

said “The pilgrimage increased my understanding of Durham’s history.”



## RALEIGH PILGRIMAGE

Our Pilgrimage model is expanding its reach. DurhamCares consulted with a collective of Raleigh leaders, equipping them to launch the first Raleigh Pilgrimage of Pain and Hope based on the Durham Pilgrimage of Pain and Hope methodology.

Learn more at [www.raleighpilgrimage.org](http://www.raleighpilgrimage.org)

Brier Creek



## THE DURHAM PILGRIMAGE OF PAIN AND HOPE HAS A MULTI-LAYERED IMPACT ON OUR CITY.



### SPIRITUAL FORMATION

Participants deepen their discipleship by connecting their stories, Durham's story, and God's story.



### BUILDING COMMUNITY

Participants form deep relationships with other participants through an immersive experience.



### CULTIVATING EMPATHY

Participants from varied backgrounds hear each others' stories and foster empathy across differences.

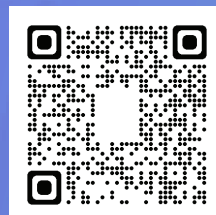


### RACIAL JUSTICE

Through the lens of the Christian story, participants understand the historical roots of racism in Durham, hear faith-inspired stories of confronting racism, and build partnerships for dismantling racism today.

# THE Genesis Journey

We are happy to introduce a new offering to our pilgrimage experience.



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### Genesis 1:26-27 (NRSV)

26 Then God said, "Let us make humans in our image, according to our likeness, and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over the cattle and over all the wild animals of the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth." 27 So God created humans in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

### What is The Genesis Journey?

The Genesis Journey is a one-day journey at Stagville or Downtown Durham dedicated to meaningful spiritual formation and reflection time.

### Why The Genesis Journey?

For many participants, this journey will be the beginning of understanding the power and efficacy of how God's story is inseparable from their story and Durham's story. If you are interested in learning more about The Genesis Journey, please contact our Program Director, Rev. Sheritta Michelle Williams, at: [swilliams@durhamcares.org](mailto:swilliams@durhamcares.org). We look forward to journeying well with you!

### Church Mobilization

# 10

Number of Gatherings



# 12

Number of Churches and Organizations Engaged

# 23

Number of Gatherings Supported



Through our Church mobilization initiative, we are unifying the body of Christ, cultivating relationships between churches and their neighbors, seeking flourishing where there has been oppression, and proclaiming the good news of Jesus Christ in word and deed.

## BUILDING CAPACITY

### El Foro de Padres

DurhamCares has provided fiscal sponsorship and support to El Foro de Padres (FDP), a link to connect families with resources within the DPS system and in the Durham Community. This group's focus is to work with the Latino community to connect families with resources and needs that are not met due to many barriers the community faces. FDP focuses their support around education, direct services, and advocacy.

### The Stagville Memorial Project

The Stagville Memorial Project (SMP) is a group of Durham residents organized to establish a memorial located in downtown Durham to honor the people formerly enslaved at Stagville Plantation. Since 2017, DurhamCares has served as SMP's fiscal sponsor, and this year it incorporated as its own 501(c)(3). You can continue to support and follow the work of SMP at [stagvillememorialproject.org](http://stagvillememorialproject.org)

### An update from Stagville Memorial Project's director, Vanessa Hines

The Durham Board of County Commissioners unanimously supported our public art proposal in 2021. We are currently awaiting funding from the county, and working with the city to find a suitable location. We will be presenting the first draft of our location proposal to the Durham Cultural Advisory Board in mid December and hope they will support our request to the Mayor and city council. We are so grateful to have been supported in prayer and administrative needs over the years by DurhamCares.





# THE MT. LEVEL COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FOR RACIAL JUSTICE

The Mt. Level Community Partnership for Racial Justice unites churches and individuals to bring about racial justice in our community and our world. DurhamCares plays a key role as a fiscal sponsor and in providing strategic, technical, and communications support. Over the past year, the partnership has:



Led a Civil Rights pilgrimage to Alabama, where an intergenerational, inter-congregational, and interracial group visited many sites, including Kelly Ingram Park, 16th Street Baptist Church, Birmingham Civil Rights Institute, Edmund Pettus Bridge, EJI Memorial for Peace and Justice, and EJI Legacy Museum.



Hosted a reading of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s "Letter from Birmingham Jail".

# VISION FOR 2023 - FREEDOM SCHOOL AND MORE

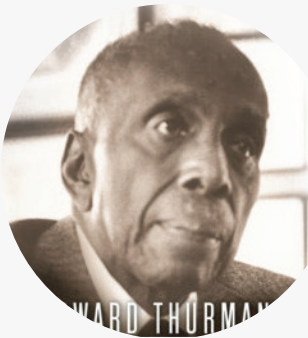
We are excited to announce that the MLCPRJ is planning a Children's Defense Fund Freedom School, a faith-based, six-week summer literacy and cultural enrichment offering aimed at empowering K-12 students to believe in their ability to make a difference in themselves, their families, communities, country and the world with hope, education, and action.

22  
Number of Churches Represented



246  
Number of People Engaged

Held an interview and discussion with Jonathan Wilson-Hartgrove about the history and impact of Christian Nationalism.



Led a book study on *Jesus and the Disinherited* by Howard Thurman led by Rev. Dr. Keith Daniel.



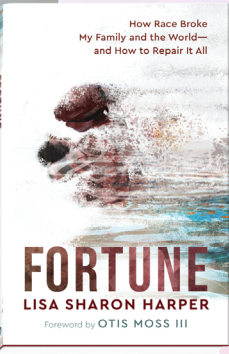
# Ormond Center Community Craft Collaborative

We partnered with the Ormond Center at Duke Divinity School on the Community Craft Collaborative. Community Craft seeks to embody faithful and committed Christian witness amid contexts that are changing; to build bridges across divides in the church, academy, and society; and to foster interdisciplinary collaboration to address complex issues.

Scan and Learn more at <https://ormondcenter.com/join-the-collaborative>



# 7TH ADVANCING THE VISION FUNDRAISER BREAKFAST



We had a wonderful culmination to our year at Advancing the Vision 2022, where we heard from Lisa Sharon Harper, brought together people from across Durham, and were inspired to love our neighbors.

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# Income & Expenses

Total Income: \$175,418.13

Total Expenses: \$170,712.25





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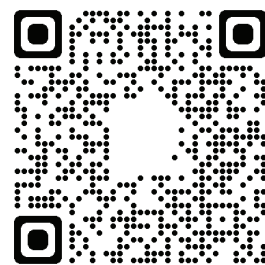
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ReCity Network; Loop Creative; Stagville State Historic Site; Occaneechi Band of the Saponi Nation; Provident 1898; Carolina Theater; Museum of Durham History; WG Pearson Center; Mt. Level Missionary Baptist Church; Duke Divinity School - Ormond Center, Center for Reconciliation, Office of Black Church Studies, Field Education, Project BRIDDDGE; PathosEthos; Stagville Memorial Project; Mt. Level Community Partnership for Racial Justice; Evangelism for Christ; Religious Coalition for Nonviolent Durham; Durham Congregations in Action; Duke Chapel

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