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### **REV. TOM L. JONES NAMED PRESIDENT OF CITY RESCUE MISSION**

OKLAHOMA CITY – The Rev. Tom L. Jones recently joined City Rescue Mission as president. Jones and the organization are committed to serving the homeless with help, hope and healing in the spirit of excellence, under the call of Christ.

“I have always felt a connection with this community,” said Jones, who previously served as president of the Oklahoma City Harbor House Foundation for at-risk teens. “I also believe in the Mission’s goals of bringing hope, dignity and respect back into people’s lives.”

Jones initiated the Harbor House concept, policies, procedures and staff training and also helped establish programs in Florida, Tennessee, North Carolina and California. He currently serves on the board of directors of the Dream Center Foundation in Los Angeles, which offers a program for at-risk teens that he helped establish.

Jones joins an ongoing tradition at the Mission from its 1977 motto, “soup, soap and salvation,” to a variety of services the Mission now offers, including shelter, meals, a day room, medical and dental care and spiritual care – all for no charge. The Mission provides beds for nearly 500 men, women and children each night and over 252,000 meals have been served this year.

“We are very pleased that Rev. Jones fully shares the Mission’s strong commitment to excellence,” said John Higginbotham, chairman of board of City Rescue Mission. “He has made a profound impact on the Oklahoma City community already, and we hope to develop new strategic plans and outreach opportunities with his leadership.”

Established in 1960, the Mission provides programs and services that teach the most vulnerable to become independent, dignified and productive members of society. Financial support of the Mission comes from donations made by concerned individuals, churches, businesses, private foundations and civic organizations. For more information about City Rescue Mission, go to [www.cityrescue.org](http://www.cityrescue.org) or call (405) 232-2709, ext. 154.

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