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## **Urban Ministries to Dedicate Clinic in Physician's Honor**

Agency to celebrate Dr. Gary Greenberg's legacy

March 4, 2019, RALEIGH, NC –Urban Ministries of Wake County's Open Door Clinic will be dedicated to the late Dr. Gary Greenberg in a ceremony on Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup> at 1390 Capital Blvd. in Raleigh at 11am.

Dr. Greenberg served as the Medical Director of the Open Door Clinic for more than a decade before falling ill to Leukemia, succumbing to the illness on October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Dr. Greenberg cared for hundreds of uninsured patients throughout his employment at Urban Ministries, helping them to feel better, return to work, and lead healthier lives.

The physician will be remembered for his unshakable dedication to the uninsured. "Gary cared about the way we care about patients," says Dr. Peter Morris, Executive Director, "he cared about relationships patients had with their families and workplace—all factors in caring for the *whole* patient." Staff remembers Dr. Greenberg spending late nights working on patient care plans and visiting dying patients in hospice care.

Dr. Greenberg worked as the Medical Director of Urban Ministries' Open Door Clinic for 11 years, volunteering years before his employment. The physician's contagious joy for volunteering helped to recruit many physicians currently volunteering within the clinic.

The Open Door Clinic provides low income, uninsured Wake County residents with access to healthcare including medical visits, labs, mental health counseling, diabetes education, referrals to specialists, and free medications. Each year the clinic sees nearly 2,000 patients, most who are chronically ill.

The ceremony will include friends, family, staff and volunteers.

**About Urban Ministries of Wake County**: <u>Urban Ministries of Wake County</u> engages our community to serve and advocate on behalf of those affected by poverty by providing food and nutrition, promoting health and wellness, and by laying the foundations of home. Urban Ministries applies more than 90 cents of every dollar directly to programs that serve the low-income community.

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