

Woodland Avenue Presbyterian Church's "Christmas In Camden" Concert Raises \$2,000 for Music & Arts Scholarships For Camden Kids



On Sunday, December 4th at 2:30 pm, Woodland Avenue Presbyterian Church launched its new "Lift Me Up Concert Series" to expand and improve the lives of children from Camden by providing scholarships to study music and the arts. "Christmas in Camden," the first concert of the series, raised over \$2,000 to be used to send children to Symphony In C Summer Camp and Settlement Music School.

Admission to the concert was free, but offerings and donations made during the concert amounted to \$889. Woodland Community Development Corporation (WCDC) matched the contributions and Rev. Floyd White and his wife Bonnie donated an additional \$200 to bring the total raised to over \$2,000.

"Christmas In Camden" featured performances by the Greene Street Praise Band, the Hunter Sisters and Arlene Caldwell Gorree (pictured above). The concert was followed by a reception that showcased the paintings of William Butler, owner of the new Gallery Eleven One located in restored Firehouse #6 (339 Front St.) on Camden's Waterfront.

Additional concerts have been planned for the year, including one in honor of Black History Month at the church on February 19th and an Easter Concert in May that will take place at Settlement Music School's Camden Branch.

Picture: (l-r) Gallery Eleven One's Ronja Butler, Settlement Music School's Valerie Clayton and Joe Hart from Symphony in C.

