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GREENBURG – On Tuesday June 29, 2021, Diane Hightower, President of the YWCA of Westmoreland County, presented the 2021 President’s award to Greater Parkview Church led by its pastor, Bishop Carl Jones. In presenting the award, President Hightower explained that the President’s Award has been given annually since 1993 to a county resident or an organization, who has demonstrated a commitment to significant volunteerism and community service. “The labor of Greater Parkview Church under Bishop Jones’ mentorship and pastoral guidance has addressed hunger, health, and education, in powerful ways throughout the county, and for this, we honor you,” explained President Hightower.

An example of the leadership that Greater Parkview Church, located on Westminster Avenue in Greensburg, has demonstrated in the community was the fight against vaccine hesitancy, especially by minority populations. Greater Parkview partnered with Voice of Westmoreland and Mainline Pharmacy to hold a vaccine clinic at their church in April 2021.

Bishop Jones, pastor since 2003 of the nondenominational multicultural church, remarked that he was humbled to receive the recognition from the YWCA, and he shared his church’s vision for the community stating, “People don’t care what you know until they know how much you care.” He cited the diversity present in his congregants, saying “We’re a church that looks like heaven.” He received a standing ovation for the work that his church provides to the Greensburg community.

The YWCA of Westmoreland County is dedicated to eliminating racism, empowering women and promoting peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all. The YWCA envisions a world that holds equal promise for every person. We invite you to join us in this fight by becoming a member of the YWCA and the Racial Justice Committee. Membership information can be found at https://www.ywcawestmoreland.org/ or by calling 724-834-9390.

Pictured in attached photo:
(from Left) Cathy Caccia Incoming YWCA Treasurer; Diane Hightower YWCA President; Bishop Carl Jones, President’s Award Recipient; Carlene Williams Incoming YWCA Vice President; Diane Krivoniak, YWCA Secretary; Karen Struble Myers, Outgoing YWCA Treasurer