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MEDIA ALERT

AGAPE COMMUNITY CENTER PLANS SPRING BENEFIT TO SUPPORT AREA FAMILIES DURING TOUGH ECONOMIC TIMES

-Ron Clark, Founder of the Ron Clark Academy to Keynote Event-

- WHO:** Agape Community Center, special guest Ron Clark, *New York Times* best-selling author and founder of The Ron Clark Academy and The Agape Step and Dance Team
- WHAT:** The 2nd Annual Spring Benefit, *Giving Wing To Better Tomorrows*
- WHEN:** **Tuesday, April 28, 2009, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.**
Tickets are \$125 per person
To buy tickets or for more information call (404)367-3950 or email nellbenn@agapecc.org
- WHERE:** Northern Trust Gardens
3282 Northside Parkway, N.W.
Atlanta, GA 30327
- WHY:** Proceeds from the 2009 spring benefit will contribute to:
- 125 children receiving tutoring and nutritious meals each week
 - More than 600 backpacks for area students filled with vital back-to-school supplies
 - Assisting more than 60 high school students in completing college tours
 - Allowing more than 50 families in crisis to keep the heat and electricity on in their homes
 - more than 150 turkeys and 425 cases of food during Thanksgiving

ABOUT AGAPE:

The Agape Community Center opened in June of 1997 as an outreach ministry of Trinity Presbyterian Church. The Center operates as a 501 (c)(3) organization governed by representatives from neighborhoods, churches and other community organizations. The mission of the Agape is to help neighborhoods build communities. To accomplish this mission, the Center offers programs and facilitates community organizing for the residents of Riverside, Bolton, Marietta Road High Rise and Hampton Oaks Housing Development in northwest Atlanta free of charge. Agape offers a variety of programs which include, after-school and summer enrichment programs for youths, a day program for senior citizens and disabled adults, teen support groups, English as a second language classes, *Mami Y Yo* classes for Hispanic mothers and babies, and a mentoring program for high school students. Agape also hosts

various community meetings including, Narcotics Anonymous, the Neighborhood Planning Unit Meeting and numerous Neighborhood Association Meetings.

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