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Paula Means is currently the Missions Director at Tabernacle Presbyterian Church in Indianapolis, Indiana. She is directly responsible for over 20 community ministries and six global missionaries. Paula Means was Senior Director of Outreach and Partnerships for The National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy. She was the Executive Director of the Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives 2005-2008. This office served as a source for individuals and organizations to participate in state government through a variety of programs and initiatives. Prior to the OFBCI, Paula was the Associate Director of the Polis Center at IUPUI, the Director of the Friendly Access Program at the Health and Hospital Corporation of Marion County, a Special Assistant to the Chancellor at Indiana University/Purdue University at Indianapolis (IUPUI), the Director of the Office of Neighborhood Resources at IUPUI and the Director of Leadership Works, a board training program at the IU Center on Philanthropy. Additionally, Paula served as the Executive Director of the Association of Black Foundation Executives while on staff at the IU Center on Philanthropy.

Paula held positions in both the public and private sector. She was the Charitable Contributions Officer and Director of Community Relations at The Associated Group (Anthem, Blue Cross & Blue Shield), Director of Communications at Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Indiana, and Operations Manager at Browning Investments. Her public sector positions included serving as Deputy Mayor of the City of Indianapolis and being elected to the Indianapolis City-County Council for eight years.

Paula was very involved in the philanthropic community in Indianapolis and most recently served as a member of the Health Care Education and Training Board of Directors, Board of Trustees for Christian Theological Seminary, a member of the Spirit and Place Advisory Board and the Pacer's Foundation Board of Directors.

Paula graduated from Indiana University with a BA in Political Science and received her MPA, Non-Profit Management concentration from Indiana University as well. She was a life-long resident of Indianapolis, Indiana, prior to moving to Washington, D.C. for five years. She is the mother of three adult children, step mother to an additional adult child, and the proud grandmother of three.