

Mission Team Report September 14, 2020 (team met virtually)

Mission Team 2020: Tricia Gilbert, Robin Smith, Joyce Johnson, Laurie Fontana, Roseanne Murison, Debbie Vincent.

Goals for 2020

- To increase current participation in and awareness of our church's current Missions
- To explore new opportunities for outreach within our community
- To ensure that the current Missions seeking new leadership have ongoing support during transition periods

Moments for Missions 2020-2021: Will complete as slots are filled

Moments for Missions

May: Reaching out for donations to Keyport Food Pantry and Family Promise

June: Rev. Bailey Ranch Hope June 28 (POSTPONED)

July

August

September: CROP WALK / GOODNESS NOW (Tricia)

October

November: ASLAN/GIVING TREE

December

Budget: \$5778

YTD spent: \$2167.66

MUMC MISSIONS

Conference Request for 3 Year Mission Funding: The United Methodist Church of Greater Jersey (comprising over 500 congregations) appealed to the churches re: a campaign to fund Global, Regional and Local Miracles. GLOBAL: supporting growth of the North Katanga Conference in Tanzania. REGIONAL: Hurricane Disaster Relief in Puerto Rico, Texas, Florida and Cuba. LOCAL: Future with hope. Missions is supporting \$1000/year for 3 years. 2019 was YEAR 2 out of 3

Ranch Hope: \$1000 was sent from missions in 2019. Rev. Bailey was invited to preach and was scheduled to join us on June 28, 2020 but had to cancel due to COVID. We will reschedule when able.

Bethlehem Bible College, Palestine: MUMC supports this college with financial contributions and through prayer. \$1000 was sent in 2019. Missions sent \$250 May 2020.

Family Promise: Program continues to run smoothly under Joyce Johnson. Due to COVID they cannot currently house families but have been supporting those in need to stay in hotels. They are supporting many remotely with resources and ongoing education. Missions sent \$500 May 2020 and \$250 during our hosting week in August. Our next "hosting" week will be in December.

Aslan Youth Ministries: Ongoing support through MUMC/Robin Smith (Gleanings/Aslan Gift Tree). Missions sent \$250 May 2020. Aslan is hosting a virtual run "Beauty and the Beast" and MUMC will invite participation.

Gleanings Program: Robin Smith: the program has raised around \$3000/year from gift card purchases (5% of card value is donated). Robin usually sells these cards the first Sunday of each month at MUMC, but due to COVID is able to provide them at anytime if contacted. This money supports Aslan Youth Ministries.

Aslan Gift Tree: MUMC collected for 50 + children for Christmas 2019!

COG Bundles: Robin Smith: ongoing collections - generally cleaning supplies, household items- program closed during COVID so \$225 was sent May 2020 for \$15 gift cards and \$500 was sent in July/Aug from the COVID relief fund.

COG Christmas Gift cards: Robin Smith: Target and Shop Rite cards for low income families through Community Outreach Group, allows families to make their own holiday purchases. MISSIONS donated \$500 in 2019

RISE: Cancelled for 2020 due to COVID.

Bayshore Lunch: Esther Lynn Ciprich continues to coordinate. MUMC had been sending a team monthly and they have been able to serve 55-70 meals in 20 minutes for \$85-110. Currently the program is closed due to COVID and the money will be used for COVID relief.

Goodness Now: 2019 was managed by Lane and Carson Fontana with Laurie Fontana but will need new leadership for Fall 2020. Prior to COVID they had been providing 36 bags each week. Since schools are closed, they provided 20 bags of food to Rev Bennett and the children of Long Branch. Gift cards purchased through Gleanings were provided (\$25 X 19 cards) with COVID relief funds. The program will be resuming in October and Tricia and Scott Gilbert will be managing.

Spring mission opportunity for young adults: MUMC young adults spent a week helping with Hurricane Maria relief/ rebuild efforts Spring 2019. This year's activity was cancelled due to COVID.

Keyport Food Pantry: Debbie Vincent: Collections are ongoing. MISSIONS contributed an additional \$500 at year end 2019. Currently the food pantry is in need of cereal, canned fruits and veggies, pasta and Spaghetti Sauce. MUMC will be asking for these items and sent \$500 April 2020. This summer teachers made meals which were distributed to needy families.

Church World Service/ Crop Walk: 2019: MUMC collected \$610 and 220 pounds of food. RED BANK reported: \$37,657.50 and 17K pounds of food!). Donations were overall down compared to prior years. MISSIONS donated an additional \$500 year end 2019. This year's event (40th for Red Bank) will be virtual- MUMC will "walk" from the church on 10/18 after service. Goal is 100 lbs of food, 100 items, \$1000 (Peanut Butter, Rice, Beans, Soup). All food collected will be donated to the Keyport Food Pantry.

Habitat for Humanity: John Myhrer: ongoing projects in Atlantic Highlands, Long Branch, Howell, Manalapan, Keansburg, Cliffwood Beach and Morganville. Missions ask John to keep us posted on volunteer opportunities for our youth and young adults.

Disaster Response Team: Continues to be available under the leadership of Bob Scapicio and Paul Zelinsky.

Love Thy Neighbor: Collecting for those with financial needs. They have limited resources. They are able to screen and validate the needs prior to releasing funds. Furniture stores are closed as they are "non essential" but they hope to be up and running again soon. Missions sent \$400 in April 2020.

Calico Cat: Leftover food from Goodness Now sent to Calico Cat food pantry May 2020.

COVID SPECIFIC:

COVID-19 Relief Fund: The church has received donations to be used to meet the specific needs of those in our community. Requests for support should be directed to Pastor Derrick. Meals to 2 area hospitals have been ongoing weekly. Food gift cards have been provided to MUMC families in need. Gift cards purchased through gleanings program have been sent to the families who otherwise would have been receiving food through Goodness Now.

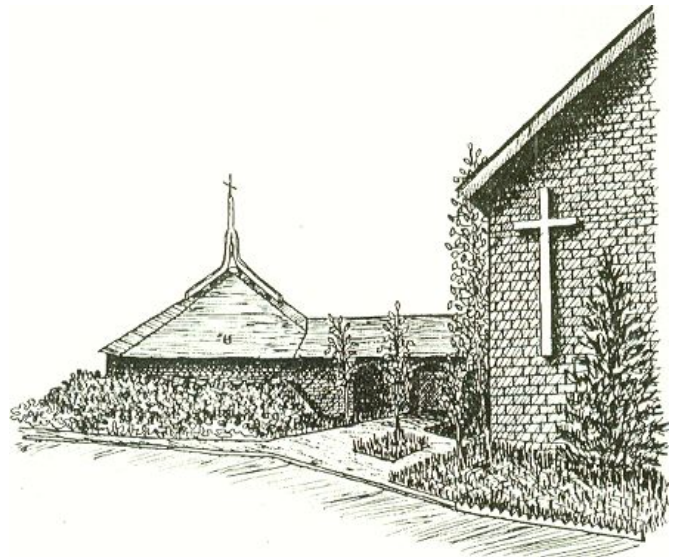
Food Donations: Nanci Illingsworth and Rosean Murison organized meals to be delivered to front line workers through specific contacts within our church community.

Masks: Kim Struszkiewicz and her team of sewing angels (Masketeers) have made over 9000 cloth masks which are being used by local first responders! Thank you!

Supporting New Ministries 2020:

- Christian Appalachian Project: MUMC has supported in the past. MISSIONS sent \$500 in 2019
- Sylvia's Children: Tricia is a medical advisor to a clinic that serves the Mbrizi Primary School in Masaka, Uganda. Had a drive to collect feminine hygiene products for the teens at the school.
- COVID relief (mask and food donations, see above)
- Knit One Pray Too: MUMC joined sister groups at Keansburg, St. Leo the Great and have made 1167 items since April: premie hats, blankets, infant burial gowns, hats for homeless shelter.

Prayerfully Submitted
Tricia Gilbert



Knit One/Prayer Too & Monmouth County Masketeers

Submitted by Kim Struszkiewicz

Knit One/Prayer Too, knitting and crocheting ministry, started in 2005. Keansburg FUMC has created over 10,000 items! Middletown UMC has made 1,167 items and still counting! We have donated over 10,000 handmade items to all 50 states, and 17 other countries. Over 755 preemie hats and blankets were delivered to Monmouth Medical NICU during the covid 19 crisis, thanks to many individuals, and 2 knitting/crocheting ministries. 187 preemie hats were delivered to Riverview Medical Center, Red Bank. Keep in mind, our group total does not take into account the number of masks each of us has made and donated apart from the group effort! Staggering! Amazing work! Thank you, all!

The following are some of the places the Monmouth County Masketeers have made and donated over 9, 018 masks:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roosevelt Care Center Nursing Home staff, Old Bridge (+ 10 face shields & 35 mask extend.) • Chelsea Assisted Living staff • Various Healthcare workers • Keansburg EMS workers • Local Shelter staff and residents • Labcorp staff, Hazlet (plus 20 mask extenders) • Chemotherapy patients • Bayshore Hospital, ICU, & other floors staff (+ mask extenders) • Centrastate Hospital staff • Lares Homecare staff & patients • Ocean Medical Center staff • Various pharmacy techs • Hazlet First Aid Squads • Various essential workers • Dental Office, Red Bank • Bayside Manor Assisted Living Staff & Residents, Keansburg • Beacon of Life Healthcare Staff & Patients, Oceanport • Middletown FD & First Aid Squads • Chiropractic Office staff • Langone's Hospital staff, NY • Magnolia House Assist. Living staff, Florida • Raritan Bay MC staff, Old Bridge • UMC @ Wesleyan Residents, Red Bank (& palms) • Respiratory Therapists @ Riverview (+ 50 surgical masks) • Care One staff, Holmdel (+100 procedural masks & 50 extend.) • Arnold Walter Nursing Home staff, Hazlet (+200 procedural masks, 50 shields & 200 extend.) • Delaware Hospital staff • Arbor Terrace Assisted Living Residents, Middletown • Meridian Rehab staff, Holmdel • NYC Hospitals staff • Bayada Home Healthcare staff • Aberdeen Fire Department • Care One & King James, Atl. High (plus 100 mask extenders) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monmouth Medical Center staff, Long Branch (& 10 face shields, preemie hats by individuals, Knit One/ Prayer Too, & St. Leo Prayer Shawl Ministry) • CVS employees • Lincroft Fire & First Aid Squads • Memorial Sloan Kettering staff & patients, Holmdel • Conifer Village @ Middletown Residents • Heritage Assist. Living staff, NC • Riverview Oncology Infusion staff & patients, Red Bank • Immunosuppressed patients • Golden Lane residents, Hazlet • Parker Clinic staff, Red Bank • Beth Israel Hospital staff & patients, Newark (plus 50 face shields & 50 mask extenders) • Hospice workers • VA Hospital nurses, Omaha, NE (plus 40 S clip mask extenders) • Meadow Lakes Nursing Home Staff, E. Windsor • NJ Veterans Homes • Various VFW posts, NJ • Community Psych. Hosp., E. Orange • Community Health Network, Newark • Two River Bank Staff • Beth Israel Children's Hospital, patients • Elder Care, Tinton Falls • Ladacin disabled citizens • The Manor Nursing Home, Freehold • Senior Spirit Medical Center (10 face shields) • University Hospital Staff, Newark • NJ Sharing Network (organ transplant) staff, New Providence • The Valley Hospital Staff, Ridgewood • LBI Fire & Fire Aid Squads (plus 30 cup masks) • Keyport Fishery Staff • Green Horizon Landscape Staff • Brighton Gardens Senior Living, Middletown 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hotel for Dogs staff, Port Monm. • Ronald McDonald House, LB • Long Branch House of Hope (100 mask extenders) • Dunkin Donuts staff, Hazlet • PM Pediatrics, Holmdel • Middletown PD & Muni. Offices • Centrastate Women's Breast Care Center • Construction Company, workers • Krosney Surgical Eye Group • Keyport Food Pantry • Keansburg Low Income Sen. Housing • St. Mark's Kitchen, Keansburg • Calico Food Pantry, Middletown • Monmouth Daycare Cent., Red Bank • Juvenile Diabetes Foundation • So. Jersey Police Chaplains • Middletown Oral Surgery Office (plus 100 ear savers) • Union Beach Fire & EMS • Bethany Towers low income seniors, Hazlet • Middletown Muni. Workers, OEM • Vanderbilt University Medical Center, staff, Antioch, TN • Grace Healthcare Hospice Workers • Robert Wood Johnson, staff • Sunrise Assisted Living, Middletown • Morristown Medical Center, staff • NY Presbyterian Weill Cornell, staff • Cape Charles Medical Center, VA • Beverly Children's Center, MA • Ramapough Lenape Nation, NJ • Vineland Veteran's Home, NJ • Regency Gardens Rehab/ Nursing Home, Wayne, NJ • Hair & Company, staff (plus face shields & ear savers) • San Carlos Apache Healthcare Center, Peridot, Arizona • Hazlet OEM/Municipal Workers • Habore, Monmouth County • Ran Foundation Shelter for Teens, E. Orange • Whitestone Care Center, PA
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