March 4, 2022

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Two Angels Of Hope Containers En Route

An **Angels Of Hope** shipment was loaded on **Wednesday, March 2** for our friends in Jamaica.

Sarah, Ramon and Brad ensured that all the various materials were included. The shipment included:

- 360 Home Care Kits
- 286 disinfectant wipes
- 171 16.9 oz. antibacterial hand cleaner
- 840 Personal Dignity Kits
- 840 tubes of toothpaste

Value: $52,190.00

What a privilege to prayer over the shipments that leave Midwest Mission and know that what is received is going to help provide for those who need it most. We are grateful for Food For The Poor and our partnership with them, allowing us to touch lives and hearts in their times of crisis and with supplies that we may take for granted.

Thank you for your continued gifts and prayers to support our mission of serving others around the world and around the corner.

On **Thursday, March 3**, a second **Angels Of Hope** container was loaded for Jamaica.

The load was prayed over by staff and volunteers who were on campus. The shipment was filled with the following items:

- 15 bikes
- 25 walkers
- 40 twin hospital bed mattresses
- 12,800 trash bags
- 2,933 lbs. of tools

Value: $30,925.00

Partnering with Food For The Poor on their Angels Of Hope Program is such a blessing.

Being able to help provide basic needs in a practical way is possible through your prayers, time and resources. Thank you!

Sewing Machines Donation

On **Monday, Feb. 28**, **Nancy Rice** (left) met with **Pat** and **Sharon Baumer** to pick up donations.

Nancy is a member of the **Jamestown UMC**, where she collected these sewing machines from her church members. They were serviced before we accepted them. At this time, we are only receiving electric machines that are recently serviced and fully ready to be disbursed. We are accepting treadle machines, even if repairs are needed.

We thank Nancy for being part of volunteer teams in the past and for collecting the donations.

THE PRAYER CENTER

"He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty."
Psalm 91:1

Have a prayer request? Send it to: office@midwestmission.org

MIDWEST MISSION WEEKLY PROJECTS

Wish list

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- Liquid laundry soap (any size)
- Liquid dish soap (any size)

Work of the Mission Volunteers

Kits completed

- 10 Student Kits
- 2000 Personal Dignity Kits (PDKs)
- 64 Birthing Kits
- 21 Layette Kits

Other work done

- Desks - sand, poly
- Repaired bikes
- Repaired sewing machines
- Counted into inventory
- Sewed one-handle bags

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Disbursements

Angles Of Hope, Jamaica - see story above for details. **Value:** $52,190

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Habitat for Humanity, Springfield, IL: Redirected furniture/furnishings. **Value:** $180

Checkpoint Tire & Lube, Chatham, IL: Redirected cleaning supplies. **Value:** $80

Chatham Micro pantry, Chatham, IL**:** Redirected cleaning supplies, hygiene supplies. **Value:** $240.00

Sew Much Joy, Glen Carbon, IL: Rolls of plastic sheeting (66 lbs.) for birthing kits **Value:** $546.78

Wooden It Be Lovely, Springfield, IL: Redirected furniture/furnishings. **Value:** $48

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Volunteers at Work
February 28 - March 4, 2022

Signing prayer cards for recipients of Personal Dignity Kits (PDKs)

Creating desks to help in learning

Providing for babies and mamas

Verifying one-handled bags

Repairing bikes to help with employment

Assembling Personal Dignity Kits (PDK)

Providing resources for basic needs

Volunteer Leaders

Chuck and Karen Porter
Brighton, IL

Kristi and Brett Ahrens
Stratford, IA

Volunteers

Jim and Joyce Nelson
Melrose, IA

Union Reunion
St. Louis, MO

Darlene Powell
Springfield, IL

Sewing Group First UMC
Springfield, IL

Sew Much Joy
Troy, IL

Frank's Serve Group
Lincoln, IL

Bob Leach

Ralph Barr

Ken Anderson

Louise Corder

Bill Stephens

Dan Blank

Brad Boucher

Mike Childress

Alison and Roger Schlichting

Ron Kinner

Jay Grim

Kent Douglas

Todd Shelly

Terry House

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Carolyn Halford

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Off-Site Missions Ramping Up

Layette Kits Made at South Side Christian Church, Springfield IL

On **Wednesday, March 9, South Side Christian Church in Springfield, IL** shared a meal and then carefully assembled Layette Kits. "This was a test run," said Midwest Mission Volunteer Coordinator, Barb Hedinger. "With Gene (Turner), our new Mission in Motion Manager, on board, we are expanding our off-site mission projects. It was a huge success.

"They were excited about the challenge of making 400 kits and it went well!"

Gene coordinated the efforts with South Side's mission team. Plus, Midwest Mission sent a team of staff, volunteer leaders and volunteers to oversee the project for the inaugural build. "It was so good to see so many different people of all ages, abilities hugging their completed Layette Kits and praying over them," Gene said.

The kits will be included in a shipment yet to be named and will bless mothers and their sweet babies.

Contact Gene to discuss how your church or organization can take on an off-site mission project. **Gene@midwestmission.org** or 309.331.3766. Let him know you heard about it in the Midwest Mission E-news.

Feeding People Around the World with a Rice Meal Pack In Auburn, IN

On **Tuesday, March 8**, board member **Pat** and wife, **Sharon Baumer** led a Rice Meal pack in Auburn, Indiana.

Lynn Huett and her team from **Auburn United Methodist Church** packed 1800 bags in 1.5 hours.

It is a blessing to see churches and communities come together for the common good, sharing God's love in a practical way.

Donations Always a Blessing

Medical Equipment from Mayo Clinic Will Provide Much-Needed Car

On **Thursday, March 10,** 22 pallets from the Mayo Clinic warehouse in Minnesota were pick up by Operations Specialist Ramon Ortiz.

The 22 pallets included medical equipment, eight walkers, two wheelchairs, one linen cart and one bedside table**.**

We will keep you posted as to when and where the supplies are shipped!

Thanks to board member, **Tanya Oberg** for coordinating the efforts.

Lowrey Royale Organ Donated to Midwest Mission for Dorm

Critchett's Lowery Legacy Headquarters
Donated a beautiful Lowrey Royale Organ for the campus dorm.

"I saw an old Kimball organ in a video during recent presentation at our church and decided Midwest Mission needed a new organ. Since we

are in the business, it made sense," said MJ Brown.

"Yes," said Dave Brown, MJ's husband and president/ceo of Critchett's. "She called me and said 'Dave, you need to get a new organ to Midwest Mission.' So, I did,'" he said with a chuckle. Dave is the grandson of the founder of the business which started in 1922.

MJ Brown is involved in the music program at **Panora UMC** in Panora, IA.

She and a group of 10 to 12 folks from the church are planning a Mission Journey to campus in May. "We are excited to come and help out where we can."

When you and/or your group is ready to come and serve at Midwest Mission, contact Pat Wright, our reservations coordinator at 217-697-4063 or **Pat@midwestmission.org.** For more details visit our **website**.

THE PRAYER CENTER

"Let the morning bring me word of your unfailing love, for I have put my trust in you. Show me the way I should go, for to you I lift up my soul."
Psalm 143:8

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- Liquid dish soap (any size)

Work of the Mission Volunteers

Kits complete

- 16 Birthing Kits
- 240 Home Care Kits
- 413 Layette Kit
- 1750 Personal Dignity Kits (PDKs)

Other work done

- Desks - sand, polyurethane
- Repaired bikes
- Repaired sewing machines
- Counted into inventory
- Sorted outfits

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Volunteers at Work
March 7 - March 11, 2022

Repaired bikes make jobs possible

Providing basic needs for cleaning

Putting together Personal Dignity Kits (PDKs)

Applying polyurethane to desk parts

Verifying buckets

Sealing in the love with supplies

Volunteer Leaders

Chuck and Karen Porter
Brighton, IL

Ron and Sharon Monroe
Fairbury, IL

Volunteers

First UMC
Mt. Vernon, IN

DeBonis Family
Waterloo, IA, Bloomington and Taylorville, IL

Athens UMC
Athens, IL

St. Joseph UMC
St. Joseph, IL

Pathfinder Church
Portage, MI

David Whitney
Ballwin, MO

Bob Leach

Ron Kinner

Ken Anderson

Louise Corder

Bill Stephens

Dan Blank

Brad Boucher

Sandy McAvoy

Clint Ham

Ray Ogden

Alison and Roger Schlichting

Mary Snider

Jay Grim

Kent Douglas

Mike Snider

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Helping Children Thrive

Sending Hope and Empowerment to Ohio Children's Home

It is heartbreaking to hear when someone is struggling and in need. When the "someone" is a child, it often tugs the heartstrings even more. Reaching out to "the least of these" is truly what Midwest Mission Distribution Center is all about. "This is why we do what we do. This is why we partner with difference makers, near and far," said Midwest Mission's Executive Director, Chantel Corrie, "to ensure we can help others in practical ways during their times of crisis."

On **March 17**, Midwest Mission responded to a request from the **Christian Children's Home of Ohio**. "We are a residential center for children who have been removed from their homes because of abuse and neglect," said Donor Relations Manager, David Walker. "We have new children arriving on our campus on a regular basis. They often come with little clothing and no personal care items. We also have a school on campus and need school supplies. Our children have all experienced neglect and abuse and many are suffering from trauma."

It isn't always how big the shipment,but how big the impact of what is sent. Midwest Mission fulfilled the school's request, sending **50 UMCOR hygiene kits** and **48 UMCOR school kits** to assist with the most immediate needs. We appreciate those who helped prepare and/or verify these kits.

Off-site Service Projects

Chatham United Methodist Church Makes 55 Layette Kits

On **Sunday, March 13** following their Sunday service, folks at **Chatham United Methodist Church, Chatham, IL.,** made 55 Layette Kits. Those kits will be a saving grace for mamas and their babies.

Did you know we are now

offering opportunities to prepare **Layette Kits**, **Student Kits** and **Personal Dignity Kits (PDKs)** at **YOUR LOCATION?**

For more information, contact Mission in Motion Manager, **Gene Turner** at 217-457-4400 or gene@midwestmission.org.

Rice Meal Bags Completed in Mt. Caramel, IN

St. Mark's UMC in Mt. Caramel, IN held a food pack on **Sunday, March 13**.

"Mission Collection Coordinator, **Stephanie Cohen**, did a fantastic job organizing the event." said Board Member Pat Baumer. "There were several very young volunteers learning about what it means to serve others.

"All the volunteers worked hard and finished **2400 rice meal bags** during the **two hours** the food pack took place. Thanks to St. Mark's for being God's servants for those in need."

THE PRAYER CENTER

"Your promise revives me; it comforts me in all my troubles."
Psalm 119:50 NLT

Have a prayer request? Send it to: office@midwestmission.org

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- Liquid dish soap (any size)

Work of the Mission Volunteers

Kits complete

- 120 Home Care Kits
- 810 Student Kits
- 55 Layette Kits (Chatham, IL)
- 200 Rice Meal Kits (Tuscola, IL)

Other work done

- Desks - sand, polyurethane
- Repaired bikes
- Painting
- Repaired sewing machines
- Counted into inventory
- Sorted outfits

Disbursements

- **Pathfinder UMC,** Portage, MI. Fabric. Rolls of plastic sheeting for Birthing Kits, 50 pairs of surgical gloves, 100 single edge razor blades **Value:** $133.50
- **Habitat for Humanity**, Springfield, IL. Redirected furniture/furnishings **Value:** $480
- **Christian Children's Home of Ohio**. Wooster, OH. 50 UMCOR Hygiene Kits, 48 School Kits **Value**: $1,128 *(story above)*
- **Ball Chatham CUSC 5**, Chatham, IL Redirected hygiene supplies. **Value:** $130

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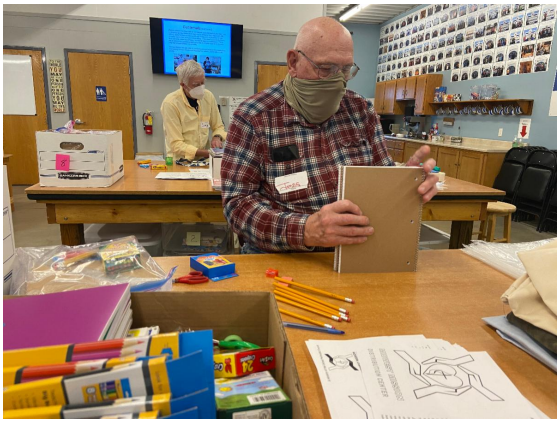
Volunteers at Work
March 14 - March 18, 2022

Serving together

Adding finishing touches to desks

Verifying cleaning bucket supplies

Securing the lids



Providing learning tools for students

Brushing on the love for students

Filling school bags to help with learning

Ensuring each student gets the same tools

Buckets of love and supplies ready to go

Crayons, notebooks n prayer cards, oh my

Each kit verified for quality assurance

Layette Kit sorting for the little ones

Volunteer Leaders

Chuck and Karen Porter
Brighton, IL

Ron and Sharon Monroe
Fairbury, IL

Volunteers

Taylorville UMC
Taylorville, IL

Men of Shiloh UMC
Shilo, IL

New Lenox UMC
New Lenox, IL

Great Plains Conference UMW
Great Plains, NE

Monticello UMC
Monticello, IL

Gibson City UMC
Gibson City, IL

Union Reunion
Mt. Louis, MO

Sewing Group
Springfield, IL

Bob Leach

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Dan Blank

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Jay Grim

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Midwest Mission Ends Week With Busy Friday

Shipment Headed to Honduras

Today, **Friday, March 25**, a 40-ft. high cube semi trailer was filled to the brim with items to help the people of San Pedro Sula, Honduras.

This **Food For The Poor** shipment includes:

- 16 bikes
- 18 electric sewing machines
- 6 treadle sewing machines
- 3,804 cloth diapers
- 2,149 baby sweaters
- 5,506 adult cloth face masks
- 1,120 Personal Dignity Kits
- 98 Layette Kits
- 120 Cases of disinfectant wipes
- 10 Shower Chair/Bench
- 20 Walkers
- 6 Wheelchairs
- 840 Cases of disinfectant wipes
- 3,128 Insect repellant wipes
- 3,600 Dust masks
- 378 Scouring pads
- 275,000 Pairs of gloves for food pack
- 2 Twin hospital beds
- 7 Sleeping mats
- 700 Spiral notebooks
- 2,600 Sponges
- 64 Birthing Kits

and so much more!

Value: $171,875. 80

Unloading Tarps

Midwest Mission's Operations Specialist, **Ramon Ortiz**, drove to Kansas City, MO., Wednesday, March 23 to receive 12 palettes of tarps from our partner, **LaMar Advertising**. Each palette of tarps weighs between 1,200 and 2,000 lbs. Today, Friday, March 25, Ramon and Operations Manager, Brad Walton, unloaded the tarps. Friday, they were unloaded on campus and will be used in shipments to help with disaster relief.

We are grateful for the **partnerships** we have with organizations, businesses, other non-profits and the many volunteers we have near and far. We are built on relationships.

If you are interested in partnering with us, please contact Executive Director,**Chantel Corrie** at Chantel@midwestmission.org or 217-483-7911.

THE PRAYER CENTER

"This is the day the Lord has made; Rejoice and be glad in it."
Psalm 118:24

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- Liquid laundry soap (any size)
- Liquid dish soap (any size)

Work of the Mission Volunteers

Kits complete

- 1,110Student Kits
- 1,810 Personal Dignity kits (PDKs)
- 408 UMCOR Hygiene kits
- 180 Home Care kit
- 116 Layette kits

Other work done

- Desks - build, sand, polyurethane
- Repaired bikes
- Repaired sewing machines
- Counted into inventory
- IT and security updates
- Cleaning

Disbursements

- **Food For The Poor,** San Pedro Sula, Honduras (details in story, above)

Value: $171,875,80

- **Christ UMC,** Lincoln, NE Cleaning supplies, Hygiene supplies, School supplies, redirected towels, cloths, sheets, pillows, hospital blankets.

Value: $1,012.00

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March 21 - March 25, 2022

Making Layette Kits brings joy

Using Spring Break for service projects

Applying polyurethane to desk parts

Preparing to fill buckets

Serving others on Spring Break

Contemplating the importance of serving

Sanding desk parts

Spring Break at Midwest Mission

Adding coloring pages to Student Kits

Making Layette Kits

Volunteers receiving instructions

Talking with Roger about student desks

Volunteer Leaders

Chuck and Karen Porter
Brighton, IL

Volunteers

John Hughes
Chatham, IL

Fairview Center UMC
Monmouth, IL

Grace UMC
Jacksonville, IL

Doug and Pam Phillips
Kalamazoo, MI

Sugar Creek UMC Youth
Chatham, IL

Union Reunion UMC
St. Louis, MO

Willow Hill UMC
East Peoria, IL

Bill Stephens

Terry House

David Whitney

Becky Wheeler

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