

August 1st, 2025



You Can Help Send 1,500 Wheelchairs to Honduras!

A while ago, Chantel Corrie, Executive Director of Midwest Mission, received a book from a faithful volunteer named Dan Blank. The book, *Miracle Wheels*, opened her eyes to a staggering reality: **80 million people around the world need a wheelchair**, according to the World Health Organization.

"I was shocked by that number," Chantel said. "The vast majority live in developing countries and don't have the means or access to get a wheelchair. The thought of someone being forced to crawl or be carried because they couldn't afford a wheelchair ... it was heartbreaking. **All that stands between them and a life of independence is a simple piece of equipment.**"



While we knew we couldn't provide 80 million wheelchairs, we also knew **we could be part of the solution**. That opportunity came during a trip to Honduras this past March. While visiting CEPUDO's warehouse with our partner Food For The Poor, we were introduced to the wheelchairs donated by Free Wheelchair Mission, the same organization featured in *Miracle Wheels*. These are beautifully made, custom-fitted wheelchairs designed for those who meet specific medical criteria.

But not everyone qualifies. And that's where we felt called to step in.

“Right there in the warehouse,” Chantel recalled, **The Holy Spirit revealed the gap we were meant to fill, getting wheelchairs to people who don't qualify for these custom chairs, but are still in desperate need.**”

We asked CEPUDO how many wheelchairs were needed in the hospitals, children's homes, and nonprofits they serve.

Their answer? 1,500.

And so this Wheelchair Initiative was born.

We're inviting you to help us meet this urgent need.

One of the best ways you can help? Donate a gently used wheelchair, or help us find one.

Often, people are more than happy to give when asked. It frees up their space, and gives them a meaningful way to make a difference.

Here are just a few places to look:

- American Legions & VFWs
- Nursing homes & physical therapy offices
- Estate & yard sales
- Salvation Army, Goodwill, or resale shops
- Friends and family

You can bring wheelchairs, that are in good condition, to a Midwest Mission location or a [Permanent Collection Site](#) near you.

Every wheelchair donated brings someone a little closer to a life of freedom, mobility, and dignity!

The Sewing Space: A Donation Story



We recently heard a heartwarming story from one of our generous donors.

This donor gifted 10 sewing machines to Midwest Mission. She shared that her mother used to host a group of women in her home, where they would gather to sew lap robes for senior centers, a tradition they kept going for over 20 years!

When her mother could no longer sew, she and her husband decided to donate all of the machines to their affiliated church, so they could continue being used for good. Their daughter later took over and created a permanent sewing space, complete with more than 20 machines, cutting tables, and donated fabric. This space became a welcoming, designated area where women could come together and sew anytime.

As newer machines were donated over time, they eventually found themselves with more machines than they had room for. When they heard about Midwest Mission's use for sewing machines, they knew exactly what to do with the extras.

It is so heartwarming to know that these 10 machines have been passed down through generations and handled with such care and love. Now, we get to find them a new home, bringing opportunity and empowerment to people around the world. What a beautiful legacy to carry forward!

Thank you to the ladies from The Sewing Space for your generous donation. Your story is truly inspiring, and we are honored to give your machines a second life while continuing to spread hope across the globe!

January - June Numbers!

We are officially over halfway through the year, and so much good has already been done in just six months! This flyer highlights all the hope and empowerment you've helped send out from January to June 2025. Our hearts are full as we reflect on all that's been accomplished, and we know there's so much more to come.

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered, donated, or shared our mission. These numbers wouldn't be possible without you!

HOPE AND EMPOWERMENT YOU SENT

January - June 2025

SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS



95

DOMESTIC DISBURSEMENTS



\$3.34 MILLION

HUMANITARIAN AID SENT



34

INTERNATIONAL SHIPMENTS



2.2+ MILLION

PEOPLE REACHED

DISASTER RELIEF



168

TORNADO
KITS



3,156

HYGIENE KITS



2,661

CLEANING
KITS



784

MENSTRUAL
HYGIENE KITS



308

BED PACKS



376

SLEEPING MATS

EDUCATION



324

DESKS



9,850

STUDENT KITS

MICRO BUSINESS



400

BIKES



193

SEWING
MACHINES

HEALTH



136,818

BLESSING BAGS

820,908

INDIVIDUALS FED



8,360

PERSONAL
DIGNITY KITS



3,096

HOME CARE KITS



1,068

LAYETTE KITS



964

BIRTHING KITS



680

FEMININE
HYGIENE KITS



\$444K

WORTH OF
MEDICAL SUPPLIES



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Thrift With A Mission

It's garage sale season! If you love to thrift, browse estate sales, or hunt for treasures at garage sales, why not turn your shopping into serving? Be on the lookout for items you can donate to Midwest Mission. Download a flyer and tell your friends, family or even take it to your church!

[Thrift with a Mission Flyer](#)

Prayers to Lift Up

Father, thank you for creating us all with care and intention and for filling us with beauty and love. We pray for those who may be struggling and we ask that you help everyone to see themselves in your eyes and to let our lives be the reflection of your wonderful work

Amen.

**"I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well."
-Psalm 139:14**



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- 100 Student Kits
- 500 Personal Dignity Kits
- 335 Blessing Bags
- 110 Feminine Hygiene Kits

- 20 Birthing Kits
- 48 UMCOR Hygiene Kits

Disbursements:

- Elsberry UMC- Elsberry, MO: 76 UMCOR Cleaning Kits- Value: \$5,700.00

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Illinois Teams



Big Beaver UMC
Troy, MO



Sewing Group First UMC
Springfield, IL



Katie Parsons
Benoit, WI

Iowa Teams



Lamoni UMC
Lamoni, IA





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August 8th, 2025



Serving September is Right Around the Corner!



Serving September is less than a month away — have you thought about how your community can participate?

In past years, Midwest Mission has celebrated Serving Sunday, a day to celebrate the joy of serving. But, this year we decided celebrating for a whole month sounds a lot more fun!

Serving together brings people together, and the impact we make is multiplied when we all work together. You, your church, your small group, or your community can join us in a variety of ways — there's something for everyone!

Ways to Participate:

1. **Collect Items** — You could choose a specific Kit to collect items for, pick a few used items to collect, or choose our current needs! All items listed at midwestmission.org/collect-donate and midwestmission.org/kits are needed,

and will bless people who will receive them.

2. **Assemble Kits** — Choose a Kit, collect items for a couple weeks (or purchase items ahead of time), and then host an event where people can assemble the Kits. This is a great community-building project, and allows people of all ages to get involved.
3. **Make Handmade Items** — If you or someone you know loves to sew, knit, or crochet, there are a lot of projects you can do! Visit midwestmission.org/patterns to see the different items.
4. **Host a Mission Event** — If you'd like to host a big event through Midwest Mission, we have some days and weekends in September available (especially if you are willing to pick up supplies from Midwest Mission). Visit midwestmission.org/off-site to learn more.
5. **Hold a Fundraiser** — Midwest Mission is blessed with an abundance of donated items, but that doesn't cover everything we are asked to send! Midwest Mission purchases most of the items volunteers assemble and send out. It costs an average of \$1,500 per day for the Kits volunteers make at Midwest Mission. You can hold a fundraiser raising funds for Kits, so that we can send more items to people in need around the world and around the corner.

Help Reach the Goal of Making 2,500 Student Kits

While there are a variety of ways to get involved, this year, we've set the goal of 2,500 Student Kits to be made during Serving September, so we have enough Student Kits to be pre-staged before the 2026 Disaster Season. These Kits are vital for giving kids a way to cope with the trauma that comes from disaster. Whether stateside or around the world, Student Kits give children the chance to just be a kid, even when chaos ensues around them.



How?

1. Collect Supplies
2. Assemble the Kits
3. Deliver the Kits to Midwest Mission or a Permanent Collection Site near you
4. Impact Lives!

Learn more about Serving September and all the ways you can participate at midwestmission.org/servingseptember.

This Church is Looming Love into every Mat!

A wonderful group of ladies from Avon United Methodist Church recently gathered to complete a special service project. Their small group, called Koinonia, met to create Midwest Mission Sleeping Mats using one of

our looms. Together, they made over 57 Sleeping Mats made entirely from recycled grocery sacks!

Their dedication was so inspiring that someone at their church arranged for them to receive a second loom, allowing them to double their production. They were also given a designated space in the church, now lovingly called their “Loom Room.” Since then, they’ve begun distributing the mats to HVAF (Helping Veterans and Families), the American Legion, and two other local organizations that support and feed people experiencing homelessness.



It’s been an exciting and meaningful journey, combining environmental management with compassionate service. By reusing old grocery bags, they’re helping the planet while also helping people sleep more comfortably.

Koinonia has also taken their mission a step further by teaching others how to loom. They’ve shared their skills with kids, men, and seniors, some from their church, others from the community. They even partnered with their local DAR (Daughters of the American Revolution) chapter to teach the bag-cutting process. Over time, they’ve begun experimenting with different creative patterns, turning the mats into both functional and beautiful gifts.

This project has been more than just a service opportunity; it’s been a source of joy, learning, and connection. They’ve found it deeply fulfilling to use their hands and hearts to help others. In addition to making mats, they now offer lessons to anyone interested in learning the loom process, from properly cutting the bags to assembling the final product. Local churches and community members have stepped up to donate bags, creating a ripple effect of generosity and teamwork.

“I would like to say thank you to Midwest Mission for putting this on our radar. The fellowship and sense of belonging this project has given us is hard to put into words. It helps those in need, recycles for a better environment, and brings people together,” said Koinonia member, Michele Pitts.

This story is incredibly heartwarming and meaningful to us. Stories like these are exactly what make our work at Midwest Mission so rewarding. Hearing about this group of devoted volunteers giving their time and talents to such a worthy cause means the world to us. Even more meaningful is the fact that they’ve found local organizations to directly receive the mats, ensuring their impact is felt immediately by those in need.

This is exactly what we dreamed would happen with our looms, and we couldn’t be more thrilled.

Thank you to the ladies of Koinonia and everyone who has contributed to this project. Your hard work and dedication are helping to send hope and empowerment to those facing dark and difficult times.



Celebrating Katy Smith

For the past four summers, Katy Smith has been our dedicated intern, assisting Barb Hedinger as the Volunteer Manager Assistant.

If you've volunteered at Midwest Mission in Pawnee during the summer, you likely encountered Katy's big smile, sweet heart, and hard-working attitude.

This week, we celebrated Katy as she worked her last shift at Midwest Mission. She will soon be heading back to Illinois State University for her last year to obtain a teaching degree, with the hope to start as an elementary school teacher next year.

We will miss having her here in the Summer, but we are excited for what God has in store for her in this next season of life.



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Father, you are the author and the perfecter of our faith. Thank you for enduring the cross and bearing the shame in exchange for our salvation and freedom. We ask that you strengthen our hearts to be able to follow you with courage! Amen.

“Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God ”
-Hebrews 12:2



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- 200 Feminine Hygiene Kits
- 124 Layette Kits
- 470 Personal Dignity Kits
- 24 Hygiene Kits

Offsite:

- Baker Memorial, St Charles, MO — 600 Blessing Bags
- Macon UMC, Macon, IL — 1,208 Blessing Bags

Disbursements:

- CICIM — Decatur, IL: Cleaning supplies, furniture, toys and games Value: \$3,836.00
- Helping Hands — Springfield, IL: 1 Bike Value: \$90.00

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VOLUNTEERS THIS WEEK

Volunteer Leaders



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Milwaukee, WI



Sarah Parsons
Beloit, WI

Illinois Teams



New Life UMC
Six Lakes, MI



Union Reunion
St Louis, MO



Mahomet UMC Missions
Mahomet, IL



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Springfield, IL



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Supplies Sent to 10 Countries in 1 Shipment! (Plus two more shipments this week!)



This was a busy week! There were three shipments that were sent out, bringing our total number of international shipments for the year to 43. We are only seven shipments away from our goal of 50!

One shipment in particular was very special. It was an Angels of Hope shipment, but it was different than most. Usually AOH shipments contain Personal Dignity Kits, Home Care Kits, cleaning wipes, mattresses, and Bed Packs. These items go to Children's Homes to help supply the necessities the homes can't afford to purchase for all of their kiddos.

But, for this shipment, **they specifically requested Student Kits** for the Children's Homes, as the beginning of the school year draws near. We were ecstatic to meet this need, and Brad Walton, Director of Operations, worked with Food For The Poor

to put together the perfect shipment. The 40 foot container was filled with 6,160 Student Kits, and, because of a recent donation of new toys by an anonymous corporate donor, we were able to add over 4,500 games and puzzles for the Children's Homes as well.

These Kits that you worked hard to make, donated funds toward, or prayed for are going to be a big blessing for students in **10 different countries**. This container is heading towards Florida, where they will load the supplies onto 10 different containers, along with donations from other organizations. Then, it will be shipped out, and distributed to Children's Homes throughout each of the countries.

The Children's Homes struggle to afford school supplies for all of the children in their care. Because of you, they won't have to! They can use their available funds for food, clothing, and other necessities instead.

Thank you for being a huge blessing to so many kids around the world!

The total value of this shipment was \$136,225.00.



We had two more shipments this week —**both to Guatemala!**

The first was a normal Angels of Hope Shipment, containing:

- 480 Home Care Kits
- 6 Mattresses
- 6 Bed Packs
- 560 Personal Dignity Kits
- 42 Cover Them With Love Quilts
- 900 New Stuffed Toys (corporate donation)

The value was \$40,244.00.



The second shipment was full of requested supplies, packed into a 40-foot container. It included:

- 200 Layette Kits
- 90 Birthing Kits
- 294 Cover Them With Love Quilts
- 1298 Little Boy and Girls Outfits
- 9 Treadle Sewing Machines
- 16 Mattresses
- Orthopedic boots, splints, and braces
- Dust Masks
- Scrubber Sponges
- Other medical and hygiene supplies

The value of this shipment was \$167,050.50.

MAKE A WILL MONTH



August is National Make-A-Will Month and we know that writing a Will is one of those tasks that can fall by the wayside, because it's hard to think about our own mortality.

A Will, however, is an important legal document that everyone should have. Statistically, 9 out of 10 Americans even agree and believe having a Will is important. Yet, only 4 out of 10 actually have an estate plan. How about you? Have you created your Will?

It's one of the most important ways to protect your loved ones and ensure your resources go where you want them to go.

You might be surprised to know that **Wills aren't just for the rich and famous**. They make life (and death) easier for everyone, regardless of socioeconomic status.

FreeWill recommends you consider your belongings. **You may not think you own a**

lot, but you likely have more property than you realize: your home, vehicles, furniture, clothing, books, sentimental items, and more. If you don't have a Will, your loved ones will be tasked with finding a home for this property when you pass on.

Creating a will prevents family conflict, eliminates confusion, and ensures your assets go to the people you most want to have them. It also gives your family guidance and reassurance that they can fulfill your wishes during what is likely a very difficult time for them.

With a Will, you can also plan ahead for those who are in your care — for example, you can name a legal guardian for your minor children, choose a caretaker for your pets, leave gifts to your grandchildren and favorite charities.

We boldly ask that you prayerfully consider remembering Midwest Mission as you make your important decisions. As a nonprofit organization who does not receive state or federal funding, and never has, we are grateful for you, our volunteers, donors, and partners who choose to include us as part of your Legacy.

We have even heard some of you say, especially at Annual Conferences, that you have already named Midwest Mission as a beneficiary. **We are honored to be included.**

If that's you, we ask that you [complete this form](#) and email it back to Development Manager, Lisa Rigoni, at lisa@midwestmission.org or mail it to her attention at: 1001 Mission Drive, Pawnee, IL 62558.

Did you know it actually helps in Midwest Mission's financial planning, too? It allows for vision casting and dreaming about all the ways we can serve now and in the future around the world and around the corner.

Need more information about how to include Midwest Mission in your Legacy Planning? Lisa would be happy to chat with you via phone, FaceTime, Zoom or you can schedule an in-person visit with her. Send an email and she'll get back to you to set up an appointment.

Friends of Midwest Mission, who wish to remain anonymous, a couple who volunteers and also gives, recently made the decision to include the ministry in their Legacy Planning:

"Most people think about what they want their legacy to be, to give 'the gift that keeps on giving' or leave something that will 'change the world or make it better.'

"As we considered this, we thought first of Midwest Mission, as they are a blessing to us and have become our family.

"Just as we have done, you, too, can include Midwest Mission in your estate planning through your Will, Trust, or other long-range plans. This will ensure that Midwest Mission is able to continue serving those in need throughout the world and in your own neighborhood. It's your opportunity to make intentional decisions for your legacy, and to make the world a better place."

Legacy Giving Notification Form

PERMANENT COLLECTION SITE *News*

Midwest Mission has been blessed with volunteers across the Midwest who give of their time, energy and resources to assist us in carrying out God's mission to help those in need.

Some of these volunteers use the facilities God has blessed them with to provide a donation collection point for needed supplies. These are our Permanent Collection Sites!

You can find their contact information at www.midwestmission.org/permanent-collection-sites.

What's Happening at our Permanent Collection Sites?

Asbury UMC, Sioux Falls, SD – Lloyd Petersen shared that his Missions Team has placed empty school bags on the end of each pew. They are asking the congregants to fill the bags for Midwest Mission. They are also hosting a Summer Movie Night. Sounds like fun!

Nebraska City FUMC, Nebraska City, NE – Dean Thomson and his cohorts are still washing honey buckets (120 more) to send to Midwest Mission and will be sponsoring a Blessing Bag Pack in September. So sweet!

Gay Street UMC, Mt Vernon, OH – Mary Ann Martin is expecting to receive 240 school bags at her location. Keep them coming!

Emmanuel UMC, Noblesville, IN – Pat Baumer has been collecting school supplies at his site to be assembled by the congregation. A portion of these will be assembled on-site at a local Assisted Living Community to allow them to join in on the fun! Thank you Pat and Sharon for working at our Pawnee warehouse a few weeks this summer. We love it when you are here!

Riverside UMC, Park Rapids, MN – Spike Wellman and members of Riverside are handing out flyers in their surrounding communities. This month they will host a FREE concert with the Jumpin Jehosafats, pizza and ice cream! They will also share information about their upcoming Blessing Bag Pack in September involving three churches.

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Grace UMC
Jacksonville, IL



Monticello UMC
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August 22nd, 2025



Disaster Relief Sent to Milwaukee After Flooding



On August 9-10, severe flash flooding impacted the city of Milwaukee, Wisconsin and its surrounding area. The storm brought more than 9 inches of rain within 24 hours, a rare event for this part of the country.

Sewer systems were overwhelmed, and many basements flooded as the rain continued to fall. Because of the level of damage in so many communities, Milwaukee County declared a state of emergency.

Last week, just days after the floods came, Midwest Mission was contacted by the Wisconsin Annual Conference's Disaster Response Coordinator. They were hoping Midwest Mission had disaster relief that could be sent to Milwaukee — and we definitely did. Because of your generosity, Midwest Mission is able to pre-stage disaster relief supplies on our shelves, so that when a disaster happens, we are ready to quickly respond.

On Monday, August 18th, Ramon Ortiz, Operations Manager, drove a semi-truck full of disaster relief to the Salvation Army in Milwaukee. He delivered 1,344 Hygiene Kits that will bless families that have been displaced from their homes, or who have lost everything. He also delivered 864 Cleaning Kits that will help people begin to clean out affected and damaged homes.

While there, Ramon was able to talk with Benny Benedict, the Director for Emergency Disaster Services for the Wisconsin and Upper Michigan Division of the Salvation Army.

Benny shared, "The preliminary numbers coming in were worse than expected — I can't share the specific numbers because they aren't yet confirmed, but we are talking about **thousands of people who have major impacts on households**. The need is great, and we've been working with assessment teams. **The biggest request we have is for the Cleaning Kits.**"



The Salvation Army isn't just concerned with the physical well-being of Milwaukee residents, but their mental and spiritual condition as well. Benny continued, "We have been out there with our chaplains doing some emotional and spiritual care. This is pretty hard on people. It's pretty devastating out there — worse than we've ever imagined. It's not just a wet basement. **We are remaining resolute to continue helping people, and working with partners (like Midwest Mission) to meet needs.**"

On Tuesday, the Salvation Army reached out again, because all of the supplies were completely distributed by Tuesday afternoon! They requested more Cleaning Kits.

So, Brad Walton, Director of Operations, and Ramon worked on Wednesday to pull all but two pallets of Cleaning Kits off of our shelves, and load them onto the semi trailer.

On Thursday, August 21, Ramon drove back up to Milwaukee to unload the additional 972 Cleaning Kits.

Now, our shelves are empty!



We need your help to replenish our disaster relief supplies, so we are ready for the next disaster.

There are two ways to help:

1. First, the quickest way to replenish relief is to send a monetary donation* so we can quickly purchase supplies in bulk. [You can make a donation here.](#) One Cleaning Kit costs \$75 to build, so every dollar matters!
2. Secondly, you can make Cleaning Kits at home or with your community. Then, bring the completed Kits (or Kit items) to a Midwest Mission location or a [Permanent Collection Site](#) near you. [Click here to see the list of items.](#)

**One important note: Funds donated directly to UMCOR do not come to Midwest Mission or the Relief Supply Network. Funds donated to UMCOR are sent as grants to the affected community, but are not used to purchase disaster relief supplies. Midwest Mission does not receive funding from UMCOR to make and send these needed Kits. Please consider donating to Midwest Mission if you want supplies to go to future affected areas.*

Thank you for the love and care you show, so that more people have what they need in Christ's name.

[Make a Donation](#)

Shipment to Cepudo in Honduras



On Tuesday, August 19, we shipped our 44th international shipment of the year to Honduras! This shipment will go to our friends at Cepudo, the distributing organization on the ground in Honduras. We've spent a lot of time with Cepudo during our trips to Honduras over the past two years, and we are very grateful for this partnership.

This shipment included:

- 1,680 Personal Dignity Kits
- 6,000 Rice and Soy Blessing Bags
- 6 Treadle Sewing Machines
- Medical supplies
- Orthopedic supplies
- Hygiene supplies
- 18 Twin mattresses
- Disposable diapers
- 65 Walkers
- 56 Pairs of crutches
- 2 Motorized wheelchairs

Value: \$128,883.50

Please be praying for the people of Honduras, and for Cepudo as they continue to meet the needs of people all over the country!

What's Stitching?

SEWING GROUP NEWS

Midwest Mission is blessed beyond measure with talented volunteers who stitch, knit, and crochet beautiful Baby Sweaters, Children's Outfits, Cover Them with Love Quilts, Diapers, Day/Night Pads, School Bags, and much more.

Please take a moment to see "What's Stitching?":

Share and Care (Sugar River UMC), Verona, WI:

Lisa Keen shared a look at their sewing group making Day Pads for our Feminine Hygiene Kits. Share and Care meet every Wednesday morning to make Day and Night Pads, One-handle School Bags and Cover Them with Love Quilts.

Thank you ladies for being the hands of Jesus to those in need.



If you have a passion for making handmade items for Midwest Mission and would like to join our Sewing Group Monthly Zoom Meeting (1st Monday of the month at 10am CT), please send your group name (if you are a part of a sewing group) and your name and email to teresa@midwestmission.org to receive an invitation to join our next meeting.

Midwest Mission is Accepting Board Member Applications

The Midwest Mission Board of Directors helps to ensure the organization is the best steward of the resources God has given and makes the most significant impact on those we serve and those who serve with us. The board conducts regular strategic planning, SWOT analysis, and Ambassador Training, and prays for our abundance to overflow on every occasion we are called upon.

Midwest Mission has a large class of Board Members who are coming to the end of their term this year. We are a growing organization, and want to keep our board strong. If this is something that interests you, please prayerfully consider applying.

Below is a Perspective Board Member Packet with great information, frequently asked questions, and more. Please download this if you are interested.

Current Open Regional Board Seats:

- Dakotas - 2
- East Ohio - 1
- Illinois Great Rivers - 1
- Indiana - 1
- Iowa- 1
- Kentucky 1
- Minnesota - 2
- Missouri 1
- Northern Illinois - 1
- Wisconsin -1

To apply fill out the online application or download the application and send the completed form to Chantel Corrie, Executive Director, at chantel@midwestmission.org and Patty Nelson, our Personnel and Nominating Chair, at pnelson@nktelco.net.

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Father, thank you for your simple kingdom, that we don't have to worry about tomorrow but our first priority is just to seek you daily. We know that this isn't always easy, so we pray for guidance and constant reminders that you are with us and working through us. Amen.

“But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.”
-Matthew 6:33-34



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- Summer Mailer!

- 634 Blessing Bags
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- 55 Layette Kits
- 380 Personal Dignity Kits
- 1,056 UMCOR Hygiene Kits

Disbursements:

- **Monita Kalka: Taylorville, IL — Fabric Value: \$132.00**
- **Sharon Baumer: Noblesville, IN — Fabric Value: \$116.00**
- **CICIM: Decatur, IL — UMCOR Hygiene Kits, furniture, and assorted linens Value: \$2,008.00**
- **Salvation Army: Milwaukee, WI — 972 UMCOR Cleaning Kits Value: \$75,636.00**
- **Donald Mathias — Electric Sewing Machine Value: \$200.00**
- **Brian Abshire: Pawnee, IL — 2 Bikes Value: \$180.00**

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45th International Shipment of the Year!



What a joy it is to serve the Lord by meeting the needs of others! Yesterday, August 28, we sent out our 45th international shipment of the year. This trailer full of supplies is heading to Guatemala, where our partner on the ground, Food For The Poor, will distribute the items.

The shipment included:

- Fire equipment
- 112 Layette Kits
- 186 outfits for little girls and boys
- Baby items
- 14,000 dust masks
- Cover Them With Love quilts
- Orthopedic supplies
- 15 electric sewing machines
- Hygiene supplies
- Medical supplies
- Cleaning supplies

Total value: \$178,403.60

It's a beautiful thing when people—near and far—come together to serve others. This kind of partnership and sacrifice transforms lives around the globe and will bring hope and empowerment to those receiving this shipment in Guatemala.

Thank you to everyone who makes shipments like these possible! Whether you collect items, pack the trailer, or help distribute supplies, your role is vital to our mission of being the hands and feet of Jesus.

Let's continue to pray for Guatemala and for those receiving these items—that they would be blessed by the work done through Midwest Mission!

Nona's Sewing Machine



Another donation story that might just pull on your heartstrings, and maybe even bring a tear or two!

We recently received a treadle sewing machine from Coal City, Illinois. This beautiful machine didn't just come with a sewing cabinet, it came with a special story, too.

The donor's Nona moved from Italy to Ellis Island at the age of 16. From a young age, she loved to sew. This Franklin pump sewing machine was her very first, and she used it to make a living, creating all kinds of beautiful pieces. When she eventually got a newer, more modern machine, she passed this one down to her granddaughter, who also learned to sew on it.

After learning to sew with her Nona, the granddaughter went on to major in clothing and merchandising in college, and loved every minute of it. She says she owes it all to her sweet Nona and this cherished old sewing machine.

She donated it to Midwest Mission, hoping it can find new life in the hands of someone else and praying it will serve another incredible woman as well as it served her Nona.

Many of our donations come with meaningful stories, but this one truly touched all of our hearts. To receive a sewing machine passed down through generations is so special and meaningful to us at Midwest Mission. We are committed to ensuring that this treasured machine finds another loving home, and another extraordinary lady, just like Nona.

Thank you for your generous and heartfelt donation!

Serving September Starts Next Week!

Serving September is just three days away, and **it's not too late to get involved.**

All September long, Midwest Mission is **celebrating the joy that comes from serving.** How are we celebrating? By encouraging as many people as possible to get involved in service in September. **When we all do our part, together we can make a huge impact in the world.**



Serving together brings people together, and what better month to do so than Serving September!

Gather some friends, colleagues, church or club members, your family ... or even strangers ... and spend a few hours making an impact that will change lives around the world and around the corner.

How you can get involved:

1. Collect items and bring them to a Permanent Collection Site near you
2. Assemble Kits
3. Make Handmade Items
4. Host a Mission Event with Midwest Mission at Your Location
5. Help us reach our goal of making 2,500 Student Kits in September!

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Thrift with a Mission Flyer

Prayers to Lift Up

Lord, as we take action, we ask that you would guide us. The world is complex and misleading, so we pray that you would be our sense of direction and energy. You hold it all, Lord, so we commit our work and ourselves to you. Amen.

"Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and he will establish your plans."
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- **Love Packages - Butler, IL:** Christian reading materials - **Value: \$1,768.50**
- **Jeremiah Miller:** 168 COVID test kits - **Value: \$1,344.00**
- **Tabitha Reach and Karla Martinez - San Jose, CA:** 14 Electric Sewing Machines and 2 Serger Sewing Machines - **Value: \$3,200.00**
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