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How Can I Help?

All of us have watched the disasters that have hit various parts of our southern neighbors and wanted to help. Often, we are unsure of what is the right response. Here's a few practical suggestions:

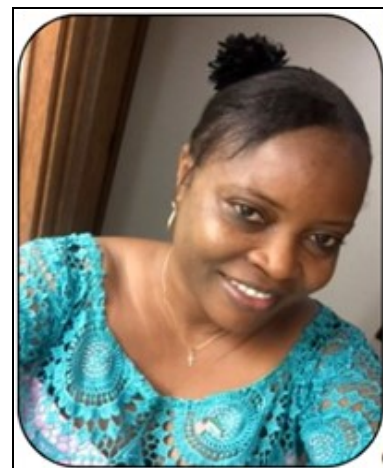
1. **Pray.** Prayer really does make a difference.
2. **Give money.** Money means immediate help, but give wisely. **UMCOR**, the United Methodist Commission on Relief, puts 100% of donations into direct relief, and is one of the world's most effective. You can write a check to UMCOR, or give online at www.umcor.org.
3. **Give items.** **Mission Central** (our local hub for UMCOR) has an immediate need for these items which can be dropped off in our HUB tub at the Info Desk.

4.

<i>Fingernail clippers</i>	<i>Band-aids</i>
<i>16-40 oz bottle liquid concentrate household cleaner</i>	
<i>Hand towels</i>	<i>Handi wipes</i>
<i>Loose leaf paper</i>	<i>Single subject spiral notebooks</i>
<i>Non aerosol air freshener 4-6 oz</i>	<i>Non-aerosol insect repellent 6-14 oz</i>

Guest speaker from Sierra Leone on Sunday, October 28th at all 3 services

On Sunday, October 28th, the Rev. Daisy Gbloh (pronounced blow), pastor at Baughman UMC (pronounced Buffman) from Freetown, Sierra Leone will be preaching at all 3 worship services. Freetown is the capital of Sierra Leone on the West Coast of Africa. Rev. Daisy will share about the Sierra Leone Initiative (in which First UMC is now a partner) and the difference it makes to her and her country, for Jesus Christ. This is a rare opportunity and we are so blessed to have her! **MORE INFORMATION INSIDE ON PAGE 2!**



Sierra Leone Initiative

We, **FUMC**, are now partners with the **Sierra Leone Initiative (SLI)**!

What is SLI? Since 2006, UM churches in the Susquehanna Conference have been partnering to provide pastors in Sierra Leone with regularly paid salaries (something we take for granted) so they can make disciples of Jesus Christ, and still provide for the basic needs of their families. In a country ravaged by wars and ebola, our support is desperately needed.

We have a sister church! She is Leader UMC, located in Bo (aka Bo Town), SL. Bo is the third largest city in SL. More will be shared soon, but please lift up Leader UMC in your prayers! Our partnership will last five years, giving \$1,500 per year.

The guest Speaker will be coming Sunday, Oct. 28, to all three services! Rev. Daisy Gbloh (pronounced blow), pastor at Baughman (pronounced Buffman) UMC in Freetown, will share about the SLI the difference it makes to her and her country for Jesus Christ. This is a rare opportunity and we are so blessed to have her!

Looking for your next step?

Our Discipleship team (Ignite) is moving ahead with some upcoming opportunities for you to grow in your discipleship.

Disciple Bible (34 weeks). Begins in January. Come journey with us as we move through the Bible from Genesis to Revelation. (70% of the bible, we don't read the duplicate narratives in Chronicles, Kings and Samuel narratives.) Study at home 30-45 minutes, and meet once a week in group for 2 hours. Sound like a commitment? You won't be sorry!

Contact Charlie Hill for more info.

EMAW - Every Man a Warrior Covenant groups for men. See John Hostetler or Dr. Jim Hurley

Small Groups -Meet every other or every week with 6-10 people for bible study, growth, community, prayer and fellowship. Regroup, a group study on authentic community, now forming. For this and other opportunities, contact Leslie Gotwald.

God never intended us to take this journey alone. Connect. Ignite. Shine.

Women's Retreat - Rest November 9th-11th

Need to take a break? Renew a weary soul? Refresh with the fellowship of other women from First UMC? Laugh, enjoy God's creation, and release some of the burdens you have accumulated in your heart?

Friday November 9th - Sunday November 11th (Children's choir sings the 18th, so moms don't have to leave early!) Mount Asbury Retreat Center (about 30 minutes away)

Cost \$110 RSVP Deadline: October 26th For more info, see Leslie Gotwald or Gail Vaughn Need financial help? See Gail.

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Our next mini outing is planned for a visit to Conococheague Institute near Welsh Run. It is a well preserved historic farmstead dating from the early 18th century. Maybe you have heard of it but do not know much about it. Here is your chance for a visit on Oct. 26, Friday. We will have a conducted tour of two houses on the property. Admission is \$5.00.

We will meet at the church at 9:30 for carpooling. After our visit at C.I. we will go to Milky Way in Fort Loudon for lunch. A sign-up sheet can be found on the post in the gathering area. Guests are welcome. These activities will enable us to get acquainted with folks in our congregation that you may not know. For more information contact Joyce Horst 375-2345 or jlhorst1@comcast.net.

Fundraiser for FUMC Mission Team Doing Storm Relief

Donation Luncheon - October 21st RSVP by October 14th

Soup and Sandwich Donation Lunch

Available after all 3 services

Dine in after 1045 am service

Proceeds benefit January trip to Swanquarter, NC for hurricane relief



Cookie Dough Pick-Up Sunday, November 4th

Pick-up will be available at the kitchen entrance after each worship service.

Team Haiti thanks everyone for their support. All profit will benefit the *School of Hope and Kaendra's Place Orphanage* in Haiti.



Joyful Jingle

Dear friends of First UMC,

We need your help. To brighten smiles of some of our neighborhood friends and families. To provide what may be the only gift some of adults who struggle with disability may receive. To brighten the hearts and lives of many allowing them the dignity of choosing their own gift.

Organizational meeting for Joyful Jingle is Monday, October 29th at 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel. Without you, Joyful Jingle can't happen!

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<p>www.firstonsecond.org</p>	<p><u>Our Services:</u></p> <p>Thursday at 5:30pm Sunday at 8:15, 9:30 and 10:45</p>

CATCHING UP WITH **TRUSTEES**

Greetings from the Trustees:

Exciting improvements are happening with our church facilities. Below is a summary of what is underway and planned for the next few months.

Current through year-end:

- Painting in the Family Life Center lobby, crying room and hallways
- Re-leading and glazing of stained glass Second Street doors (plywood on front doors during this process)
- Re-leading and glazing of Garden of Gethsemane sanctuary window
- Remodeling of welcome center and creation of a coffee and gathering room. The library and equipment storage areas will be combined to create this area. Once re-designed, the library will again be located in this space.
- Painting and carpet installation in the gathering area, welcome area and main hallway

Installation of additional doors and enhancements to the existing security system 2019 and beyond:

- Updates to the second floor children's worship room
- Enlarging and renovating the music minister's office and music storage area

We know these changes may create some temporary inconvenience so we ask for your patience as we work to improve our church campus. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to seek out one of the trustees for more information.

In His Service,

Randy Culler,
Trustee Chair