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Relief Supply Network



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Celebrating Ministry together!
Fall/Winter 2023 Newsletter

Capital Campaign Update
Rev. Bill LaVelle

Dear Friends of the Mission Barn,

Just a paragraph to let you know what our financial picture is at the Mission Barn as we draw this year to a close. In January we closed on our new home at 181 Columbus Drive. The agreed price was \$190,000. A cashier's check was made out for \$52,493.55 - \$50,000 down payment, and the rest for closing costs and fees. In May, as a result of our appeal, we paid another \$50,000 on the loan principle. In the meantime, I have been making monthly payments of \$862.23 to Common Roots FCU, our mortgage holder (eight payments so far this year, all toward interest on the loan, which is customary).

The last statement from Common Roots FCU says we have a balance of \$88,999.37. On behalf of our Board of Directors, thank you for your generous gifts of support! Year-end special gifts for our mortgage will be greatly appreciated.

On another front, after much prior preparation by Katie and myself, I appeared before the Lawrence County Board of Assessment Appeal at the county courthouse, with our lawyer, Mr. Papa, on the afternoon of Wednesday, October 4. When we purchased the property, it was taxed real estate. During this year, we paid \$4,168.41 in real estate taxes on our new property. Today, I opened the letter from the Lawrence County Assessment Office, to see that our property is now tax exempt.

Our current operating balance in our checking account is \$153,006.54. Because of your support, we are indeed fulfilling our mission: to meet basic human needs through providing everyday supplies, establishing easier access to homes and churches, aiding relief efforts by responding to disaster, and educating people of all ages about Christian mission. Thank you!



Katie's Korner CCW Deaconess article
2023 State of Mission Barn



Psalm 121:1-2 I lift up my eyes to the mountains— where does my help come from? My help comes from the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth.

Grace and Peace to you in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Wow! Many things have changed since my last State of the Eastbrook Mission Barn Report! We have purchased our new building and grounds, changed our name, and made our new home ours. This is all with the service and prayers of so many volunteers and groups like you. Thank you so much. In the mix of us moving in and getting settled into our new place, we were able to assist our neighbors in East Palestine Ohio with 300 cleaning buckets in the aftermath of the train derailment in their community. Please continue to keep them in your prayers. We have also been able to share hygiene kits and menstrual kits with many agencies around our conference, Ohio, New York, and in West Virginia.

Our cleaning bucket supply is currently low. We are in need of filled cleaning buckets. We are also accepting hygiene and menstrual kits. Please visit umcor.org to get the recipe of what goes in the kits. Our ramp season (which started with our own ramp in March) has been remarkably busy this year with some short ramps, some medium size ramps, and some larger ramps, as well as a few board walks to help our neighbors in need to get safely in and out of their homes. By the end of our ramp season this year we will have completed 40 ramps and reclaimed 11 ramps. This is a new high for us!

God has, and continues to truly bless with donations of money, supplies, and kits, as well as prayers. Whenever we run into a challenge, someone comes along side us with a solution to help us figure it out. This has truly happened in many different ways through the process of us getting our building and also us making the building our own. Whether it is needing trailers moved around, gutters/drained cleared, skilled



craftsman to do repairs, or someone to open and close our high windows for the seasons, God puts the right person in our path when we need it.

We are excited to share that we are now able to host volunteer teams of 2-10 people (just in winter months, then 2-20 in warmer months) at any given time. Elementary students through adults are welcome to come – we have tasks for all ages and abilities!

Please email Katie at missionbarn@gmail.com to schedule a tour or a date for your team to come serve.

If you would like to volunteer at the barn – to verify or make up UMCOR kits or build ramp modules – you can anytime! You can also help in assembling a ramp in the community. Just contact us at missionbarn@gmail.com to register your team. Thank you to all the churches, individuals, and UMWs for your generous prayers and support for me as your Deaconess and Church and Community Worker and Mission Barn! If you would like someone to share the joy of missions with your church or organization, please contact me at ktpete@gmail.com.

My advance covenant salary number is 982942. Mission Barn's WPA advance number is ms002009b. If you donate through the WPA Conference, you can name your donation this way.

Shalom, Katie



Accepting Volunteer Teams

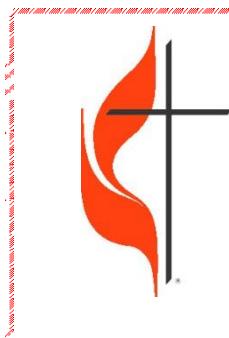
We are registering teams of 2-10 volunteers (from November – March) for Tuesdays through Thursdays and Saturdays, usually from 10-2, or other times arranged with Katie. We are accepting volunteer teams from first grade to 5th grade for UMCOR area, and 6th grade and above for ramp area. We are going on the side of hope of sharing God's love with UMCOR kits and ramps this year – please go out in Faith and schedule your team to come serve with us.



Wish List

Prayers Hygiene Kits Cleaning Kits Menstrual Kits Monetary and Material donations

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE THIS NEWSLETTER VIA EMAIL – PLEASE EMAIL US AT MISSIONBARN@GMAIL.COM



UMC MAGNET / T-shirt SALE

Suggested Donation:

\$5 each Magnet Mission Barn shirts \$15

100% of the profits support

Mission projects within the Mission Barn

For more information and/or to order magnets / t-shirts

Please contact Katie Peterson at 724-856-8241 or missionbarn@gmail.com

Make checks payable to Mission Barn, 181 Columbus Dr., New Castle, PA 16101



UMCOR Kits

Please go to umcor.org and/or contact us directly before you start collecting any of the kits to confirm that you are getting the right size and kinds of supplies. UMCOR updates the recipes regularly to meet the needs of the recipients. If you cannot find item(s) for the kits, send the kit without the missing item. We can put it in when we verify it. Cleaning, Hygiene, and Menstrual hygiene kits are the UMCOR kits that are being collected at Mission Barn.



Kudos – August 1- October 15

Aaron
Abby Voll
Adam Edgerton
Adam Goswick
Alan Gurupira

Allen Klamer
Allen/Jane Cooper
Alyce Weaver Dunn
Amy Beidel
Amy Ziegler
Andover UMC
Andrea Corvi

Arlene Wise
Armagh Methodist Church
Asa
Ashley
Ashley Stephenson
Ava UMC
Baden Methodist

Balb B
Barb Caldwell



Barb

Cameron
Barb Hayes
Barb Mickey
Barb Wagner
Barbara/Bil Blackmon-Fortune
Bartlett UMC
Baylee H
Becky D
Ben B
Betsy Brown
Betty Rial
Beulah Community Church
Bev Elder
Bill LaVelle

Bishop Moore-Koikoi
Bob Graziani
Bobby
Bonnie Young
Bowserdale UMC
Braceville UMC
Brad Rubinasky
Braden UMC
Bradford Area Cluster
Brian
Butler District



Butler Lions Club
CACM
Cameron Sholey
CARES of WPA
Carolyn Metting
CCW
Chippewa UWF
Chris
Chris/Virginia Bingham
Chuck Griffiths
Cindy Fultz



Cody
Community Foundation
Cranberry UMC
Cyndi Bloise
Dale Koner
Dan Maloney family
Dan P
Danny Badger
Dara Sterling
Darryl Lockie
Dave
Dave Jones
David/Patsie Evans



Davin Arnold
Denise Conrad
Dennis A
Dennis/Cindy Foster
Derry FUMC UWF
DHMS
Diana Miller
Diane Matusik
Dick Craig
Don
Donna Grimm
Dorothy
Eileen Smallsreed
Eleanor C
Eli Hubert
Elizabeth B
Ellendale UMC
Elton Zion UMC
Emily Reed
Emory Chapel UMC
Erik Jones
Erin T
Erla McDormott

Evan Mountain



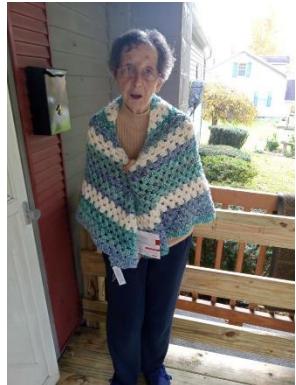
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Frank Bloise
Fredonia UMC
Gayle Lesure
Gayle Young
GBGM
Geraldo
Gift Machinga
Grace UMC
Grace UMM
Grace UMM UWF
Greg Cox
Haley
Hanna Bryson
Hannah
Harris Hill UMC
Harrisville UMC
Heather
Heather Armstrong
Highland House
Indiana District UMC
Ingomar UMC
Irwin Community UMC
Isaac Hubert
Jack Rihs



Jacque Lang
James Donnelly
Jamie Wolfe
Jane Cooper
Jane Dean
Janice Orelli
Jayne M
Jean D
Jean Dobax
Jeff Irwin
Jefferson Hills UMC
Jennifer Cornwell
Jim
Jim Fritz

Faith UMC

Jim Riley
Joan Mialhi
Joanne Kalacinski
Jodi
John Sperry
Josh B



Joy Weathersbee
Joyce B
Judy Bishop
Judy Keilar



Julian
Julie
Juniata UMC
Karen Phillips
Kasey Arnold
Katelyn Watkins
Katherine Fehl
Kathleen R Nelson
Kathy Heess
Katie Snook
Kayle
Keith Dunn
Keith/MaryKay Bell



Kirsten
Kirt Jones
Kris Konsowitz
Lake Ann UMC
LARK enterprises

Lauren Meisler
Laurie Hauren
Leeann McCullough
Les
Les Eve
Linda Bell
Linda Hawksworth
Linda Murdock
Linda/Monte Buchanan
Lisa Griffin
Lola Turnbull
Lonkina Vhiriri Mhlanga
Lora Jean Gowan



Louise Llewelyn
Lowell Peterson
LW Boots
Lynn Henry
Mahoning Valley Grange
Marcia S
Marcia Trew
Margaret G
Mark B
Mark G
Mark Johnson
Mark McNully
Martha Jones
Martha Riley
Maxwell Mironga



Mayfield UMC
McKnight UMC
Meadville UMC
Mercer UMC
Michael Fedorowich
Michelle Savage
Mike Geyer
Miriam Perrielle
Mission u WPA
Mt Hope UMC
Nancy VanDeCar
New Life Baptist Church



Nicole D
Nicole DeJohn
Nixon UMC
Noah Brown
Oil City Grace UMC
Olivia Cornwell
Pam Chill
Pam Garrett
Paris FUMC
Park UMC



Patricia Vandemark
Patty Brobst
Pavilion UMC
Peggy Evanko
Pheonix S
Phil
Rachel O
Richard/Lorraine Wehnyak
Rick Bates
Rick Braun
Rick Hill
Ridgeville UMC
Riley Creek UMC
Rita
Rita Hale
Robert Armstrong
Rocco Favorite
Rockland UMC
Roger/Bev Saunders
Rosemary Nyarugwe
Roswell Faith UMC



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Russell
Ruth Hambrick
Ryan Week
Sandi Wolthers
Sandra Collins
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Savannah UMC
Scott
Shane
Shelton/Judy Wilder
Shyla
Shyrl LaVelle
Slippery Rock UMC
Smithport UMC
South Fork UMC



St Luke's UMC
St Paul's UMC
St. John's UCC
St. John's UMC
St. Paul's UMC
Stitching Angels
Sue Ann Jones



Sue Curtis
Sue Fritz
Sue Sheffler
Sugarcreek Grace Church
Summit UMC
Susan Koehler

Susan Sphar
Susan Z
Suzanne Munson
Sybil G
Tammy White
Teri Deeds
Terri Gilbert
Terri Pollack
Tess
Thomas
Thorn Creek UMC
Timothy/Marcia Shipley
Tiptonville UMC
Tom
Tom McQuire
Tom Phillips
Tory M
Tracey Sizer



Tracy Smith
Trinity UMC
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Vinny/Cheryl Bejgrowicz
W. Washington UWF
Washington Dist. UWF
Washington district
Wayne R. Kraft
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