



Mission Barn

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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
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Elton Zion UMC
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Emory Chapel UMC
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Erin T
Erla McDormott

Evan Mountain



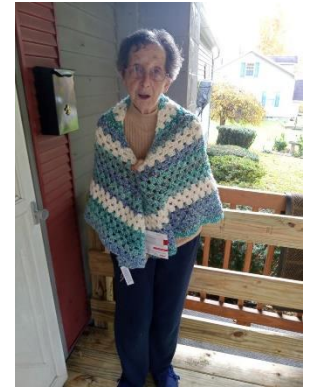
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Forestville UMC
Frank Bloise
Fredonia UMC
Gayle Lesure
Gayle Young
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Gift Machinga
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Harris Hill UMC
Harrisville UMC
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Heather Armstrong
Highland House
Indiana District UMC
Ingomar UMC
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James Donnelly
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Jane Cooper
Jane Dean
Janice Orelli
Jayne M
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Jean Dobax
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Jim Fritz

Jim Riley
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Joanne Kalacinski
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John Sperry
Josh B



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 Michelle Savage
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 Mt Hope UMC
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 Nixon UMC
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 Oil City Grace UMC
 Olivia Cornwell
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 Pam Garrett
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 Rick Bates
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 Rick Hill
 Ridgeville UMC
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 Russell
 Ruth Hambrick
 Ryan Week
 Sandi Wolthers
 Sandra Collins
 Sandra Matoushaya
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Savannah UMC
 Scott
 Shane
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 Shyrl LaVelle
 Slippery Rock UMC
 Smithport UMC
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 St. John's UCC
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 Sue Ann Jones



Sue Curtis
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 Suzanne Munson
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 Teri Deeds
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 Tom Phillips
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