The Smoky Mountain District

Messenger

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Happy New Year

From Your

Smoky Mountain District Staff

2022 Hands-On Mission Project- Zimbabwe Holston Annual Conference

Unlike school supplies, food items have expiration dates. Be sure and check the dates and make sure they do not expire until 2023 in order to cover transport time and having a useful life for the people in Zimbabwe.

The Smoky Mountain District has been asked to put together 400 Food Buckets for the 2022 Holston Annual Conference Hands-On Mission Project. *Note:* A $5.00 donation for packing and shipping is to accompany each bucket. *Each church is ask to bring ONE check for the total donation amount. Make checks out to Smoky Mountain District and put 2022 Hands-On in the memo line.* * Do not put money in the bucket!

1-Bag Corn Meal (4-5 lb.)
1 bag dried beans (2 lb.)
1 box quick/instant oats (18 oz. or less)
1 box Splenda/sucralose (50 ct. or less)
1-bag grits, butter flavor
1-powdered milk (10 oz. or less)
1 bottle cooking oil (48 oz. or less)
Canned Ham (2 lb. total)
1-bag rice (2 lb.)

Pack in a NEW 5-gallon bucket with lid

Your buckets need to be delivered to Fairview UMC, 2508 Old Niles Ferry Road, Maryville, TN 37803:
Please deliver your buckets to Fairview UMC, Time and Date will be announced later
(Do not deliver early)

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Special Thanks to the following Congregations who are current in their giving to the 2021 District Ministries
(Thru December 22, 2021—100%)
(* Denotes 100% of 2021 District Ministries paid)

* Asbury
* Binfield
* Camp Ground
* Cokesbury
* Fenders
* Gatlinburg, First
* Immanuel
* Loudon
* Maryville, First
* Middlesettlements
* New Hope
* Peck's Memorial
* Pleasant Hill (B)
* Roberts
* Seymour
* St. Mark's (B)
* Trentville
* Union Grove (S)
* Walland
* Williamson Chapel
* Axley's Chapel
* Broadway
* Carpenters
* Ebenezer
* Fox
* Green Meadow
* Kodak
* Luretta
* Meadow
* Mountain View
* New Salem
* Philadelphia
* Pleasant Hill (K)
* Sand Branch
* Shults Grove
* St Mark (K)
* Trinity
* Vonore
* Wears Valley
* Zion
* Bethel (Seymour)
* Burnett Memorial
* Cedar Bluff
* Eden
* Friendsville
* Hillcrest
* Logan's Chapel
* Martel
* Middle Creek
* Murphy's Chapel
* Oakland
* Pigeon Forge, First
* Pleasant Hill (S)
* Sevierville, First
* St. John
* St. Paul
* Tuckaleechee
* Walden's Creek
* Webb's Creek

Up-Coming Events

December

22-Jan. 3 District office closed for Christmas holiday

January

7 Last day to get your District Askings into the office for 2021

21-23 Resurrection-LeConte Center, Pigeon Forge

Smoky Mountain District UMW - Susan Daffron-President

***Arise! Shine! Your light has come; the Lord's glory has shone upon you*, Isaiah 60:1. This is the scripture for the month of January from the new Daily Prayer Guide 2022. Many of us have used the United Methodist Women's prayer calendar for our daily devotions, to journal and to stay in touch with those in the mission field and the missions they represent. Cornelia Wieck, Global Missionary from the United States serving in East Asia states, "God places opportunities to serve in our paths every day. We can ignore them, dwelling upon the before, or embrace them, engaging in the now with faith, commitment and love." We have arrived at a new year, let us put away the old and embrace the new! United Methodist Women will be introducing many new opportunities in 2022 and my prayer is that we will as the Daily Prayer Guide suggests, "encounter God and find joy…God's love invites us into mission with our neighbors and this love has the power to transform the world."**

The Smoky Mountain District UMW Leadership Team will meet on January 15, 2022, to plan the calendar of events for the year. I would ask your prayers as we strive to follow God's call.

On January 22, 2022, from 10 a.m. until Noon, the Holston Conference United Methodist Women will have a virtual Social Action Event, "Do No Harm: Understanding and Challenging the School to Prison Pipeline". Interrupting the School to Prison Pipeline is one of the United Methodist Women's Campaign through 2024. More information will be forthcoming.

Mark your calendars for Assembly 2022, TURN IT UP! We will TURN IT UP for rebirth in a new time! We will TURN IT UP for women leaders! We will TURN IT UP for justice for women, children and youth! Assembly will be held on May 20 – 22, 2022, at the Orlando Convention Center in Orlando, FL, and will be an in-person event with a virtual option, please visit Assembly2022.org for more information.

New for 2022 is the Holston Conference United Methodist Women Theme and Logo which was designed by Morgan Wallace Gilbert, Clinch Mountain District. The logo was inspired by Romans 14:19 (NIRV), *So let us do all we can to live in peace. And let us work hard to build up one another.* This is what I pray we will do as we embrace all this New Year has to offer.