

Covenant Community Missions

HIGHLIGHTING WAYS THAT OUR COVENANT
COMMUNITY REACHES OUT TO THE LARGER
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Welcome to this next edition of our mission oriented Covenant communication. This newsletter will highlight ways that our Covenant community reaches out to the larger community around us. This issue features Sneakers for Soldiers, notes from the Rise Against Hunger event, an upcoming event for Villages in Partnership and an update from the Eric Brown Music Scholarship Committee. Information on our fall 2020 mission donations, CAMT updates, Pantry thank you and our Christmas Gift Giving program are also included. We'd love to highlight what missions you are passionate about and how you participate in them. Please contact Milly Elrod at mtelrod@comcast.net to share your favorite mission.



Be sure to watch Sunday, **November 14th's** minute for mission during our live stream church service, featuring an interview with congregational members, Debbie and John Hausladen, founders of **Sneakers for Soldiers**. This 501c3 provides military personnel who are deployed in combat/hazard zones with new pairs of sneakers tailored to each individual. The interview connects Covenant members with sneaker recipients via the stories John and Debbie shared and also highlights the impact of our donations. You can find more information about Sneakers for Soldiers on their website page at sneakersforsoldiers.org.



Villages in Partnership – Giving Tuesday Livestream Event

Villages in Partnership (VIP), a nonprofit organization serving 26 remote villages in Malawi, Africa and featured in our June minute for mission, is hosting multiple Livestream events with students and staff in Malawi on **Giving Tuesday, December 1st**.



Details about how to join the event can be found on their website at villagesinpartnership.org. On this day of giving, they will be raising funds to continue building phase 2 of their first Secondary School in Malawi. Follow VIP on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) for more details!

Eric Brown Music Scholarship Fund

Thank you to all who donated to this fund after our September minute for mission. We are pleased to report that in addition to funding our three current students, we have been able to add a fourth music student. Thank you all for the generous support.



CAMT Updates

Rise Against Hunger Event – Our meal packaging event with Rise Against Hunger was a success with over 20,000 meals being packaged. Thank you to all who participated and to CAMT for organizing the event. Video from the event can be found in the Sunday November 1st church service.



Faith Ministry in Mexico (faithministry.org) reports that they have been able to restart their children's nutrition programs, and have reopened the medical clinic to consultations. They have begun construction of some of the homes that were scheduled for the first week of the shutdown last March using local help. They ask for prayers for:

- Ezequiel, a retired foreman, who lost his wife Petra this month. Pray for peace and comfort for him and his family as they grieve this devastating loss.
- Lupe, their foreman, who continues to struggle physically and mentally after losing his wife, mother-in-law, and step-son Angel over the summer. Pray for comfort, strength, and peace for him and his family.
- The family of Wilma, a member of the Naranjito church, who passed away this month from health complications. Pray for peace and strength for her family.
- Families in Mexico as they prepare for the colder months here on the border, especially those who do not have a warm and safe place to live.

Faith Ministry also thanks us for the hats that were sent from Covenant. Here is a picture of two hats being modeled by Faith ministry personnel, David Rodriguez and Tom Booher.



CAMT Updates

Broad Street Ministry is allowing individuals to volunteer to sort mail, work in the clothes closet and in the kitchen doing food prep. Individuals can register online (broadstreetministry.org).

Other News

Fall 2020 Mission Donations: Each year Covenant makes donations to a number of nonprofit organizations.

This fall donations were made to the following groups:

- Bridge of Hope
- Chester Co Food Bank
- Chester Co Migrant Ministries c/o PA Council of Churches
- Community Warehouse Project
- County Correction Gospel Mission
- Decent Life Volunteers
- Domestic Violence Center of Ches Co
- EduKenya
- Encuentra Latino Church
- Family Lives On Foundation
- Friends of Presbyterian Education Board
- Good Works
- Habitat for Humanity of Chester Co
- Mission Yearbook
- Mom's House
- PA Home of the Sparrow
- Push the Rock
- Safe Harbor of Greater West Chester
- Salvation Army
- Surrey Services
- Villages in Partnership
- Wings for Success

As a reminder – at Eastertide donations were made to Broad Street Ministries, Community Volunteers in Medicine, Faith Ministry, People's Pantry at Church Road, Rise Against Hunger and Sneakers for Soldiers.

People's Pantry at Church Road – Thank you from the Pantry for all the support over the last eight months. We are blessed to have overflowing shelves at the moment and enough turkeys for Thanksgiving.

Christmas Families Giving – Every year Covenant partners with GVSD to provide gifts for those households that would otherwise not be able to afford gifts for their children. If you are willing to provide gifts for these households, please [click here](#) to fill out a Christmas giving form!

Gifts should be NEW. Gifts can be unwrapped or wrapped. Gifts should be placed in a large black plastic bag and clearly labeled with the family number of the outside. If your gift is wrapped, please attach a list of the gifts provided to the outside of your large black plastic bag.

Gifts need to be dropped off at the church on Monday, December 14 anytime between 8am and 6pm. If you have any questions, feel free to email Mary Moyer at darevmoyer@verizon.net.

You can now donate to this Christmas giving program online through The People's Pantry website through [this form](#). Choose Christmas families from the drop down menu. You may also contribute by donating gift cards (i.e., Target, Kohls, Michael's or food stores) or a write a check (payable to "The People's Pantry" with "Christmas Families" in the memo line). Both can be mailed to:

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