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A Newsletter from the Mission Committee of First Presbyterian Church of Moorestown

May 2025

MISSIONS CONNECTIONS

Hope, Pray, Love & Support

Greetings!

Read on about what the Missions Team is up to!

The month of March launched the grand opening of the Grace Boutique. Members of the Missions Committee and our loving, caring volunteers staffed this ministry and assisted those whose needs went beyond the traditional benefits offered by SNAP. Attendance during the grand opening was an outstanding (81) individuals looking forward to what the boutique offered. With the help of volunteers and continued donations, the Grace Boutique will be open twice a month and continue to support our local community.

Who doesn't like a sweet treat or a reason for a pre-cooked meal! Our Missions Team has been working hard behind the scenes to organize fundraisers to support this summers upcoming mission trip to North Carolina. We would love to have you partner with us and enjoy the opportunity to eat yummy food AND help those in need. Read more about our mission trip to North Carolina.

This year's Baby Bottle Drive, supporting Options for Her, started on Sunday, May 11 until June 22 The Missions Committee supports and helps raise awareness for the sanctity of human life through the care of mom and baby. Pick up a baby bottle located in front of the prayer room, fill it with a gift of coins, cash or check and return to the common lobby table on Sunday or the box outside the Mission office. Thank you for your support in funding this ministry that provides medical testing, education, and resources at no cost to women in need.

Take a few minutes to review our mission partners updates.

- ♦ Keneth Ndyamuhaki updates all on the progress of Yamba Childcare and the work his team is doing to support children with nourishment, education and the word of God
- ♦ The Haiti Outreach Ministries excerpt summarizes the ongoing dedication and difference being made in the lives of the Haitian people. Also, congratulations are in order...the board has elected a new executive director, Bart Edwards.

The Missions Team thanks you for taking the time to read and support all that is important to our mission.

Missions Ministries

Welcome to Grace Boutique

Our Grace Boutique provides items, for free, not available on SNAP .

The Boutique opened in March and receive visitors twice a month (2nd Tuesday 11:30am-2pm and 3rd Wednesday 12-2:30pm). In March and April, we had 81 visitors. An expectant mom visited in March and revisited in April after having her baby to get, you guessed it, baby diapers. Visitors have been so thankful for what the boutique has provided and how it complements what they can get at the local food pantries.

Our biggest needs are:

- Individually wrapped toilet paper rolls
- Reusable cleaning cloths
- Facial tissue boxes
- Feminine hygiene products
- Toiletries (personal or regular size)
- Diapers and Baby wipes

Financial donations are appreciated to purchase bulk items to help keep the shelves stocked.



BABY BOTTLE DRIVE

May 11 to June 22

Look for the display of baby bottles by the prayer room, take one home and fill it with spare change, cash or check (made out to FPC Moorestown). Return the baby bottle, with the donation, to the common lobby table on Sunday or place in the box located outside the Mission office by June 22. **Easy right?**

Your donation will provide free pregnancy testing, ultrasound exams, programs, classes, support counseling, material resources for mom and baby, and an opportunity to hear about Jesus.

Sweet Treats for a Good Cause

We collaborated with Hope Chocolates, a ministry of Seeds of Hope, consisting of a group of chocolatiers who provide hope, encouragement and help to employ those after their release from prison. On April 6, a fundraiser took place consisting of a variety of decadent chocolate treats to satisfy your sweet tooth. A portion of the proceeds from the sale is going towards the Hurricane Relief Mission Trip slated for August 10 to 17.

Good news! One of the chocolatiers, who heard about the goal for the fundraiser, donated his time from working on this project.

Blessings continue to abound .





In September 2024, hurricane Helene, a powerful hurricane, caused extensive damage and ravaged areas of North Carolina. Almost a year later, countless hours of recovery and rebuilding infrastructure are still going on.

FPC Moorestown is coordinating a multi-generational mission trip to help those who continue to recover from this natural disaster.

You are invited to partner with us in supporting our efforts to raise funds for those heading on a mission trip to North Carolina from August 10-17.

An informational meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 21 from 5:30 to 6pm.

Dear Friends,

Thanks so much for the love, financial and non-financial support you give to Yamba Childcare through donations and sponsoring kids. Thank you for your prayers!

We feed these kids with delicious meals and balanced diet. Each kid is entitled to a hot meal (Breakfast & Lunch). We got them nice and well qualified teachers. Thank you for blessing children in rural Uganda to be in school and obtain education.

Keneth Ndyamuhaki
Executive Director Yamba Childcare



2024 IMPACT REPORT

Bondye ap travay! God is at work!

Education:

1,920 students received a Christ-centered education

Hunger Relief:

352,985 meals served to those suffering from food insecurity in Haiti

Health Care:

16,671 adult and pediatric patients received essential medical and dental care

Spiritual Care:

3,350 individuals have heard God's word through Bible study groups, worship services and community outreach.

Clean Water:

2,468 families have received free drinkable water from our four treatment sites

Dine and Donate

Great opportunity to support Missions events

Dine & Donate May 19

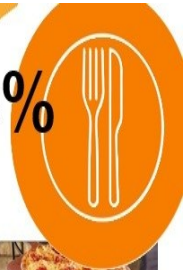


Dine at Iron Hill Brewery in Maple Shade and 20% of your check will be donated to the mission committee to support our ongoing efforts. Present the coupon, flyer, postcard or show (with your phone) the coupon from the church's Facebook. This applies to dine in and take-out all day.

Dine & Donate June 16

**Anthony's
Coal Fired Pizza**

20%



**Monday, June 16
11:00 am - 9:00 pm**



*Benefits
Missions*



Looking for a quick dinner idea? Want to support Missions and eat yummy food?

Stop in or peruse a take-out menu for a Dine and Donate to benefit mission events.

Visit Anthony's (7000 Midlantic Drive, Mt Laurel) between 11am & 9pm, show the flyer, postcard or online coupon and FPC Moorestown Missions will receive 20% off your food bill.

SAVE THE DATES

May

11—Baby Bottle Event

19 — Dine & Donate at Iron Hill Brewery to support Hurricane Relief Mission

21—Mission trip Informational meeting 5:30 to 6pm for Hurricane Relief Mission

June

6— Strawberry Festival

Missions will have a food tent in support of Hurricane Relief Mission

16—Dine & Donate at Anthony's Coal Fired Pizza to support Hurricane Relief Mission

August

10 to 17— Mission Trip to North Carolina

We want to thank everyone who supports the Blessing Box and look forward to its continuance. The Deacons will be taking on this venture and will continue to maintain the Blessing Box. Keep on donating!

Thank you