

UMCOR Flood Buckets and School Kits

A donation to UMCOR, the United Methodist Committee on Relief, will provide flood-bucket kits to U.S. families devastated by hurricanes and floods. You also can purchase a school kit which supplies school pencils, pens, paper and other basic items to children in a variety of countries around the world.

- *Flood Bucket: \$45*
- *School Kit: \$11*
- *Your donation may be in any amount in \$5 increments*

Africa University Scholarship Grants

You can help students at Africa University in Zimbabwe who are close to receiving their degrees, but who need financial help to graduate. This project is funded through our church's Faith Promise (International Missions) Committee. We have faith that the graduates of Africa University will return to their respective nations in Africa and use their education to better their individual nations in particular and the African continent in general.

- *Certificates can be purchased in any amount of the donor's choosing*

Generous Hands Ministry Food Baskets

The Generous Hands Ministry of Carrollton collects donations to provide baskets of food each month for senior citizens, widows, young mothers and out-of-work families in two slums across the bay from Rio de Janeiro. You can help with their mission by "buying" a food basket.

- *Your donation of \$20 will purchase a basket supplying essential food for these poor families for a month*

Senior Adult Services This non-profit organization improves the lives of seniors and caregivers facing the challenges of aging. Its programs are designed to help adults ages 60+ in Farmers Branch, Carrollton, Addison and Coppell identify options and make good choices. Our church works with SAS in many ways, including distributing "Meals on Wheels" to clients during holiday periods.

- *\$10 will provide 2 home-delivered meals or 2 rides for a senior*
- *\$25 will provide 5 home-delivered meals or 5 rides for a senior*
- *\$35 will provide a grab bar for a senior*
- *\$50 will provide a grab bar, 3 home-delivered meals and 3 rides for a senior*

Metrocrest Social Services

Metrocrest Social Services provides emergency assistance and comprehensive programs to move families toward self-sufficiency. It serves residents of Farmers Branch, Carrollton, Addison, Coppell and ZIP Code 75287 in Denton County. Our church works with MSS in a number of ways throughout the year.

- *\$10 buys a toy for a child on Christmas morning or provides 71 jars of peanut butter for the MSS food pantry*
- *\$5 provides a grocery store gift card for a family to select their holiday meat or helps buy a holiday gift for a hard-to-shop-for teenager.*

CHRISTMAS MARKET 2009

Christ United Methodist Church • 2807 Valwood Parkway • Farmers Branch 75234
December 5 — 8:30-5:30 • December 6 — 8:30-3:00
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Credit Cards Accepted

Welcome



Christ United Methodist Church ✦ Farmers Branch

Christmas Market 2009 allows you to experience the true Spirit of Christmas in so many ways. You can gift:

- ✦ Your family and friends with beautiful craft items made by artisans around the world.
- ✦ Organizations and individuals that make a difference in people's lives – both abroad and here in our home area.
- ✦ Yourself. Where else can you get your Christmas shopping done in one place, with either a unique gift or a gift donation made in a loved one's name?

The proceeds raised from the sale of merchandise and gift donations go directly to agencies and programs that positively affect the lives of individuals and families struggling to make a better life.

Christmas Market Merchandise



Bean Soup Mix This delicious bean soup mix has been packaged and decorated by church members. Choose from single packages of bean soup mixes, or purchase the soup coupled with attractive holiday plates and boxes. Net proceeds will go to support local missions opportunities during 2010.



Ten Thousand Villages This organization is part of a movement that provides vital, fair income to artisans worldwide by marketing their handicrafts, while telling their stories in North America. Ten Thousand Villages offers steady income to artisans for their work, enabling them to provide for their families' basic needs and plan for their future.

Lost Girls of Sudan The Lost Girls of Sudan are refugees from that war-torn country and now are making a new life in America. Several of them have settled in the Dallas area. They will be selling copies of the book *Dark Exodus*, which chronicles the stories of 16 of those "lost girls." They also will be selling beautiful bookmarks that help provide them with the means to rebuild their lives.

Olive Wood Carvings from Bethlehem You can bring hope to Christian Palestinians while helping to relieve an economic crisis of the Palestinian people. There are very few tourists to buy the beautiful olive carvings crafted by Christian Palestinians. In order to help continue a Christian presence in the Holy Land, they need markets for their work. These beautiful carvings sell themselves and come directly from Bethlehem and Beit Sahour, the town of the Shepherd's Field.

African Clothing Rev. Mutombo Kimba was educated in United Methodist schools in the United States and was one of the first clergymen ordained in the United Methodist Church in Africa. One of her sons, Oliphint, was named for Bishop Ben Oliphint, Mary Brooke Casad's father. In order to pay tuition for Oliphant's secondary education, Rev. Kimba sells African clothing through friends in the United States. Each clothing article comes with a small card sharing his story.

Angel Tree Gifts for Wesley Rankin Center One of the annual missions of our church's United Methodist Women (UMW) is to give **\$25** Christmas gift cards to the senior-citizen clients of Wesley Rankin Community Center. Serving the West Dallas area, it provides activities and serves daily lunches to its members. The Wesley Rankin seniors use their gift cards for a Christmas shopping trip to Walmart. Sign up to provide a gift card or write a **\$25** check to UMW, and they will buy one in your name.

Create a World of Difference this Christmas



Donate in the Names of Family Members or Special Friends

You can make a gift in the name of a special family member or friend, designating one of the diverse charitable organizations and worthy causes as a beneficiary. You will receive an attractive gift card to present to your special person at Christmas.

CUMC Faith Promise Micro-Loan Partner You can help make small loans of \$10 to \$50 to needy people throughout the world to help them become a producing part of their village's economy. The loans will be made by Christ United Methodist Church's Faith Promise (International Missions) Committee in cooperation with a charitable international banking organization.

- You can participate in this wonderful enterprise by purchasing shares in increments of **\$5**.