

Morgantown Cooperative Parishes are Off to the [Bucket] Races

The Morgantown East and Morgantown Urban Cooperative Parishes invite spectators and participants alike to race to the finish line at Spruce Street UMC on Sunday afternoon, April 28, at 2:00. That's the time when they will assemble Flood Buckets to beat the clock all for the Celebration of Mission Event (COME). Teams and churches' members will bring their collections to Spruce Street as a culmination of their month-long efforts to support their assigned missions: New Vision Depot and Scotts Run Settlement House.

The "Bucket Race" is open to any church with as many teams as they want to send. A three-person team should submit an entry form with the fee (\$9) on either the day of the race or before. Pastors of the Morgantown Cooperative Parish churches will have received invitations; in addition, a form appears below.

When the race begins, teams will assemble as many flood buckets as possible – in the correct order specified by UMCOR¹ - in a designated amount of time. The team completing the highest number of buckets correctly is the winner of the Bucket Race. (Of course, the real winners are at New Vision Depot!)

Gather your church groups, and ask them to divide and conquer the bucket lists. Then bring supplies to Spruce Street UMC on/by April 28. Ask your friends to join *your* bucket brigade! (Watch the [video](#) to practice.) COME and enjoy the race on April 28.

Send registrations to: Rev'd Bart Thompson, Bucket Administrator; Spruce St UMC; 386 Spruce St; Morgantown WV 26505

Send questions to: sprucedupwomen@comcast.net

Team members' names:	Team Name (optional)
	Church represented:
Payment: (choose one)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Cash	
<input type="checkbox"/> [Day of the race] Check number _____ made to Spruce St UMC, memo: Bucket race, FUND 875	
<input type="checkbox"/> We paid at our church (Check memo: COME; Bucket race, FUND 875)	

¹ <https://umcmision.org/umcor-cleaning-kit/>

Let the (Friendly) Race Begin!

April 28, 2024, 2 p.m.

Spruce Street United Methodist Church: Enter by either the Wheel Chair Ramp or the back parking lot double door. Parking is free on Sundays.

Entry Fee: \$9 per 3-person team (Checks payable to either your local church or Spruce St UMC; memo: BUCKET RACE, FUND 875). See entry form; register the day of the race or send completed forms to *Bart Thompson, Bucket Administrator; Spruce Street UMC; 386 Spruce St; Morgantown WV 26505*

This is how it will work: We will have empty buckets and all the elements gathered in one place. We will begin with a signal and each team will assemble as many buckets as they can in a limited amount of time, or as long as the supplies last. So practice with your team! View the video:

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The team that has assembled the most buckets at the end of the race will win the competition. All buckets will go to the New Vision Depot.

We ask that everyone please begin by gathering Flood Bucket Essentials – we need as many bucket materials as possible to make the race successful.

- One five-gallon round bucket with re-sealable lid (14.35” H x 12.19” W x 12.19” D); NO SCREW LIDS. MUST BE FREE FROM ALL RESIDUAL PRODUCT IF USED; ADVERTISEMENTS ON THE OUTSIDE ACCEPTABLE
- One 32-64 oz. bottle liquid laundry detergent
- One NON-SPRAY 16-40 oz. bottle liquid concentrate household cleaner
- One 16-34 oz. bottle dish soap
- One 4-8 oz. pump spray air freshener (LIQUID, NOT GEL)
- One 6-14 oz. pump spray insect repellent (pack of 10-20 wipes also acceptable)
 - PUMP SPRAY BOTTLES MUST HAVE PROTECTIVE COVERS
- One scrub brush, with or without handle
- 18 re-useable cleaning wipes, removed from packaging
 - NO TERRY CLOTH, MICROFIBER OR PAPER TOWELS
- Five scouring pads, without soap in them – non-stainless steel; remove from packaging
- 36-50 clothespins
- One 50-100 ft. clothesline (cotton or plastic)
- 24-roll of heavy-duty 33-to-45-gallon trash bags, removed from packaging
- Five N95 particulate respirator dust masks (1-3 mm thickness); NOT SURGICAL MASKS
- Two pairs kitchen gloves, removed from packaging
- One pair work gloves: COTTON WITH LEATHER PALM OR ALL LEATHER

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