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Friends in Christ,

What a gift we have in our mission projects and church and community workers across the Conference! Join us at the 2019 Celebration of Mission Event on Saturday, April 27, 2019 at East Fairmont High School, 179 exit 133 (Kingmont) in Fairmont to celebrate this work. Any group can organize a project to prepare for this celebration - Sunday School classes, youth groups, UM Men, UM Women, a local church, a whole charge or even a parish. We'd love to share your creative ideas on our Facebook page if you'll send us photos of what you're doing to prepare. I'm inviting you to find a special way to celebrate and support the way that our reach is extended in the United Methodist Church through this work.

We'll receive goods and monetary gifts for the three projects listed below that day. Information on these mission projects and their needs lists are included in this packet. Monetary gifts will be shared with all mission projects, unless otherwise designated. Please make your checks out to "WV Conference Treasurer."

**Heart and Hand House - Philippi**

**Scott's Run Settlement House**

**Volunteers in Mission (*monetary gifts only*)**

Thanks to Ginny Davidson, Barbara Metcalfe and Janice Watts, the Co-Chairs of the 2019 MonValley Celebration of Mission Event. This is an enormous undertaking that cannot be successful without the help of many booth chairs and others who help with set up and take down and all the other details it takes to create a joyous day of celebration. We need the participation of all of our churches to truly make this a success. Join me as we pray for the 2019 Celebration of Mission Event and the many volunteers who give their time and energy for others in this important ministry. We are thankful for your support as we reach out in the name of Christ to those in need.

Blessings -

Rev. Amy Shanholtzer  
MonValley District Superintendent



MONVALLEY DISTRICT  
THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## Celebration of Mission Event

Date: April 27, 2019  
Location: East Fairmont High School, Fairmont, West Virginia  
(address and directions are on page 5)  
Time: 9:00 am - 2:30 pm

**Set up for the event will be on Friday, April 26, 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm and on Saturday, April 27 beginning at 8:00 am.** Churches may begin bringing donations (mission supplies, baked goods, etc.) beginning at 8:00 am on Saturday or Friday (see times above). Enter at the Main Entrance (Front). **Each Booth Chair is asked to provide a rectangle plastic table covering for the tables in their section. Section clean up begins at 2:30 on Saturday.** A tax receipt letter is available from the District Office, if anyone requires one.

### What is the Mon Valley District Celebration of Mission Event?

The Celebration of Mission Event (COME) is a WV Conference-wide activity culminating the year's fund-raising efforts for United Methodist Missions. This year, the Conference will hold nine district events throughout the state. Our goal for the 2019 Mon Valley District Celebration of Mission Event site is to raise \$16,000. Last year we raised \$14,175.34 and donated over 200 items to the missions.

There will be a White Elephant Sale, Bake Sale, Craft Sale, Entertainment, Food Concession, Silent Auction, Flower Sale, Live Auction and Missions Education. We need your help to make this year's event a huge success.

### Suggestions to Motivate Your Church to Support the Celebration of Mission Event:

- Prepare a sign-up sheet listing the missions "wish list" items and ask members to sign up to bring individual items on the lists.
- Collect items for the Live Auction and Silent Auction from Community Businesses, Direct Sellers (like Avon, Pampered Chef, Longaberger, Mary Kay, Tupperware, and Home Interior), church members, family members, and friends.
- Donate items for the White Elephant Sale. Look in your attic or basement storage area for treasures. Have you finished with any good books?
- Offer to pick up someone from your church or community who doesn't get out much and bring him or her with you. What a blessing!
- Encourage prayer for the Celebration of Mission Event through your minister, during church meetings, and in individual meditation. God will guide us if we only call upon Him.

## Activities Planned:

**Bake Sale:** Betty Marks, Chair  
Bailey Memorial UMC  
304-842-8666

Bake sale items should be individually wrapped and priced. Baked goods that sold well last year include sugar-free items, various kinds of breads (like salt-rising, whole wheat, and nut breads), peanut butter and chocolate fudge, pepperoni rolls, pies, and rolls. If you or a neighbor raises rhubarb, please donate some. Cupcakes are hard to sell. Small bags of party mix go well. There are some great recipes out there. Last year's proceeds were \$426.66.

**Craft Sale:** David and Ethelyn VanGilder, Co-Chair  
Janes Memorial UMC  
304-534-3441

Craft items should be priced. We need many different types of crafts. Some items that sell well are woodworking, needlework, yarn arts, jewelry making, painting, quilting, and birdhouses. Last year, we realized \$401.00 for this event. Please call David or Ethelyn if you have any questions.

**Food Concession:** Cindy Stickles, Chair  
Life UMC  
304-282-3888

In 2018, the food proceeds were \$603.50.

**Missions Education:** Butch and Sandy Burnside, Chairs  
Eldora UM Church  
304-592-9070

They will coordinate the displays from the three missions that we have been assigned by the Conference. Please collect items for donation. Take time to look at the displays as you enjoy the day's activities. **Needs lists are in this packet on page 6.**

**Flower Sale:** Deloris Prugh, Co-Chair, 304-594-3334  
Betty Alexander, Co-Chair, 304-296-1857  
Suncrest UMC

In 2018, the flower proceeds were \$1,500.00.

**Entertainment:** Janice Watts, Chair  
Life UMC  
304-363-3092

**Accounting:**

Janice Watts, CoChair  
Life UMC, Fairmont  
304-363-3092

Bonnie Earp, CoChair  
Life UMC  
304-367-1143

**Missions Donations in kind/set up/clean up:**

Dan Six, Chair  
Boothsville United Methodist Men, Fairmont  
304-923-5159

Dan will be coordinating the collection of donations for the United Methodist Missions. Let's fill boxes for two missions and donate checks for VIM! Vans will be at the event to transport items to the missions. They will also help carry in donated items.

**Silent Auction:**

Georgia Meyers, CoChair  
Kanes Creek UMC  
304-288-9105

Crystal Gray, CoChair  
Bailey Memorial UMC  
304-739-2289

Each church is asked to donate a theme basket for the Silent Auction. Ideas for the theme baskets are kitchen, baby, tools, school supplies, craft supplies, kid's art supplies, cosmetics, family night (board games & snacks), sports, and movie night. Baskets may be wicker, laundry, Rubbermaid bins, wheelbarrows, and wagons ~ use your imagination. Please shrink-wrap and decorate your basket and use **new items, not used, items in your baskets**. You should include your church's name as "Donated by" and a list of items in the basket. Your church could collect money from members and have one person arrange the basket or have members bring individual items in and assemble the basket as a group project ~ this is a great Sunday School project. If your church would like to make more than one basket, remember the money raised will go directly to United Methodist Missions. Last year we made \$658.00. No minimum bids.

**White Elephant Sale:** Sharon Royster, Chair  
Valley Chapel UMC  
304-366-6848

White Elephant Sale donations should be clean and priced for sale. This is a good time to clean out your attic, basement, and garage. Last year's proceeds were \$342.45.

**Live Auction:**

Rev. Karen Brown, Chair  
Wesley UMC, Morgantown  
304-278-8139

Items that sell well are quilts, baby quilts, afghans, antiques, small appliances, nice glass wear, and collectibles. Inexpensive items donated for the Auction may be place in the White Elephant Sale. Items need to be delivered by 8:30 am on April 27 or on April 26 between 4 & 6 p.m. The auction will be held beginning at 11:30 a.m. Come, buy your lunch and enjoy the Live Auction. Last year the Live Auction made \$1254.50.

**Kid's Karnival:** In 2018, it made \$80.94. It will not be held this year.

**Floor Plan set up:** Linda L. Gandy, Chair  
Gateway UMC  
304-366-7974

**“Muscle” Committee:** Rev. Larry Buckland, Chair  
Life UMC  
304-363-2104

**Publicity:** Meghann Gregory  
Janes Memorial UMC  
304-641-7543

**DIRECTIONS TO CELEBRATION OF MISSION EVENT**

East Fairmont High School—Fairmont, WV

1993 Airport Road, Exit 133 (Kingmont) off I79

{I79 Southbound, Exit 133, turn right

I79 Northbound, Exit 133, turn left, go across I79

Then, take first right (Airport Road- Airport will be on your left), continue right and you will pass a motel and apartment buildings. Continue to the top of the hill and the high school will be on your right.

**Parish-wide Fundraising for Missions:**

In each parish there will be fundraising activities taking place for which everyone is invited to participate: Walk for Missions, hot dog sale, basement or garage sales, designate a month or a particular Sunday to collect money for Missions. *These are just some ideas – use your imagination for other ideas!*

Contact persons in your area are listed below.

<i>Barbour County</i>	Harold Langevin	304-823-2498
<i>Cheat Mountain</i>	Vicki Sheppard	304-379-8029
<i>Fairmont East</i>	David Hall	304-363-4032
<i>Fairmont Urban</i>	Larry Buckland	304-363-2104
<i>Morgantown East</i>	Lynda Masters	304-296-2351
<i>Morgantown Urban</i>	Neil Leftwich	304-381-2350
<i>Morgantown West</i>	John Brosky	304-296-1845
<i>North Marion</i>	Danny Blake	304-692-6606
<i>Paw Paw</i>	Russell Furr	304-871-1012
<i>Preston County</i>	Brian Long	304-980-2420
<i>Shinnston</i>	Cindy Boggs	304-592-0214
<i>Taylor County</i>	Judy Flynn	304-903-8355

Last year, we raised \$1905.18 with Parish-wide Fundraisers for Missions.

## Information about United Methodist Missions:

We will receive donations of goods for the missions at COME. Please ask your church members to collect items from each mission's Wish List and bring them to the event. Please **count the items for each mission and indicate the total number of items for each mission on the outside of the box.**

All checks for donations should be made to the **WV Conference Treasurer.**

**Heart and Hand House, Inc.**  
Brenda Hunt, Executive Director  
304-457-1295  
[brenda@heartandhandhouse.org](mailto:brenda@heartandhandhouse.org)

### **NEEDS LIST:**

**Backpack Program:** Cheese or peanut butter crackers, pudding cups, fruit/applesauce cups, oatmeal packets, macaroni and cheese (individual servings), granola bars, juice boxes (100% juice preferred).

**Food Pantry:** peanut butter, dry beans, breakfast foods, corn bread mix, macaroni and cheese, soup, canned vegetables (other than green beans and corn), stuffing mix and other side dishes.

**Layette/Infant Care:** diapers, crib linens, receiving blankets, clothing, towels, washcloths, lotion, shampoo, bibs, bottles, etc. (see our website for full listing).

**Hygiene items:** shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, shaving cream, razors, brushes, combs, band-aids, toilet paper.

**Cleaning Items:** laundry detergent, dryer sheets, dish detergent, all-purpose cleaner, sponges, rubber gloves, paper towels, trash bags.

**Office:** copy paper, trash bags (13 gal. & 33 gal.), toilet paper, paper towels.

**Scott's Run Settlement House**  
Shay Petitto, Executive Director  
304-599-5020  
[admin@srsh.org](mailto:admin@srsh.org)

### **NEEDS LIST:**

***Size 5 and Size 6 diapers***

***Baby wipes***

***Oatmeal (in individual packets)***

***Fruit/applesauce cups***

***Canned soup***

***Boxed Macaroni and Cheese***

***Crackers***

**Volunteers in Mission**  
David W. Stilgenbauer, Coordinator  
304-645-5570  
[Revdaves@yahoo.com](mailto:Revdaves@yahoo.com)

**NEEDS LIST:** Monetary gifts only to defray costs for work teams to go on mission trips.

**MonValley District**

# **COME**

## **CELEBRATION OF MISSION EVENT**

### **WHEN**

**April 27th  
9am – 2:30pm**

### **WHERE**

**East Fairmont High  
School**

**1993 Airport Road, Fairmont, WV 26554**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, CHECK US  
OUT ON FACEBOOK:  
@MONVALLEYDISTRICTCOME**

**EVERYONE  
WELCOME**

**FREE  
ADMISSION**

**ACTIVITIES  
INCLUDE**

**Bake Sale  
Craft Sale  
Entertainment  
Flower Sale  
Kids Activities  
Live & Silent Auctions  
Refreshments  
White Elephant Sale**

**BENEFITING  
Heart & Hand**

**Scott's Run  
Settlement House**

**Volunteers in  
Mission**

**HOPE TO SEE  
YOU THERE!**