



As we follow Jesus, we become new creatures, transformed by God's love. The church in mission reaches out with loving hearts and hands to the suffering and needs of a hurting world. Throughout the Sundays of Lent, individuals and groups will be sharing the stories of God, offering love and hope around the world.

*The following vital ministries are funded through your generous support of our Lenten offering over the next forty days.*

## **MISSIONARIES**

**\$5,000**

**Steve and Diantha Hodges - Jubilee Project, Tennessee**

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Steve and Diantha are serving in Hancock County, Tennessee. Jubilee Project is a mission project to help community residents gain the skills, experience and hope necessary to provide for the needs of one of the lowest income areas of Appalachia.

**Jacques Akasa Umembudi - Democratic Republic of Congo**

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Jacques Umembudi is a missionary with the General Board of Global Ministries assigned to Knshasa, Democratic Republic of Congo. As a pilot-mechanic and program director of the *Wings of Caring Aviation Ministry*, Jacques flies people and supplies to various remote missions in the region.

## **VOLUNTEERS IN MISSION SUPPORT**

**\$1,000**

[www.vaumc.org/umvim](http://www.vaumc.org/umvim)

The United Methodist Church sends work teams around the world to help where there is a great need. Through this mission support, the church is able to continue serving others by sending volunteers as a part of work team, medical team or individual volunteer. Virginia Volunteers In Mission teams are responding to Katrina relief, a child rescue mission in Sierra Leone, Red Bird Mission in Kentucky, and other trips to Cuba, Brazil, and Kenya. For further information and to volunteer, call Keith Mottley, UMVIM Coordinator, 1-504-740-8959 or [pastorkm@shentel.net](mailto:pastorkm@shentel.net). In 2009 members of our congregation participated in a VIM trip to the Galveston area. We hope to field another team this year! Let Karen Howard Know if you are interested (703) 385-1242

## **UMCOR**

**\$2,500**

[www.gb-gm-umc.org/umcor](http://www.gb-gm-umc.org/umcor)

The United Methodist Committee on Relief responds to natural or civil disasters that are interruptions of such magnitude as to overwhelm a community's ability to recover on its own. UMCOR's work on behalf of the United Methodists is global and includes countries in Africa, Asia, Central and South America, and the Caribbean. Current ministries offer assistance in more than 100 countries to aid refugees, feed the hungry and provide immediate and sustained relief in disaster areas, such as Haiti earthquake relief, the Gulf Coast Hurricane Relief and famine in Africa.

**SHORT-TERM MISSION PROJECTS****\$1,500**

Fairfax Church provides limited support to volunteers to participate in a variety of short mission trips to respond to needs locally and globally.

**CUBA MISSION****\$1,500**

Fairfax Church participates in a nationwide Volunteers in Mission ministry to Cuba. Fairfax Church has provided personal, material and financial support to this special mission. The main objective of the mission is to support the church by rebuilding churches and parsonages throughout the island. In our efforts, we also stand together with our brothers and sister to witness the power of love and hope in Christ.

**ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE****\$500**

The ESL mission is to offer language instruction to new immigrants so they may participate more fully in the life of the community. Our program at Fairfax Church is a vital, growing ministry serving over 100 students each semester. Contact Judy Blanchard (703) 591-1587 or Sue Almond (703) 476-9606.

**WESLEY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT (WHDC)****\$500**

WHDC's mission is to develop, own, operate and maintain affordable housing communities for low and moderate income persons in Northern Virginia. Several of their homes are in the Fairfax City area.

**YOUTH MISSION PROJECTS****\$9,000**

Our high school and junior high youth participate in the Appalachia Service Project and Jeremiah Project, home repair ministries. Each summer, Fairfax Church sends a high school group to a location in Appalachia and junior high groups to sites in the Winchester area. For more information, contact Mike Hensley, (703) 591-3120 ext 111.

**FACETS****\$2,500**

[www.facetscares.org](http://www.facetscares.org)

A non-profit organization providing emergency intervention and education programs for homeless and low income people in the Fairfax area, enabling them to become independent. Fairfax Church prepares and delivers hot meals to families in motels along Route 50 Corridor on a regular basis. For information on how to get involved, contact Allen and Jane Johnson at (703) 273-1571.

**JUST NEIGHBORS****\$1,000**

[www.justneighbors.org](http://www.justneighbors.org)

*Just Neighbors* is a mission of the Arlington District of The United Methodist Church that provides immigration legal services to low-income immigrants and refugees of all faiths and backgrounds. *Just Neighbors* assists in applying for Green Cards, work permits, reuniting families and aiding victims of domestic violence.

**THE LAMB CENTER****\$3,250**[davelarrabee@thelambcenter.org](mailto:davelarrabee@thelambcenter.org)

This local ministry creates a unique environment for homeless men and women. Each weekday homeless individuals are invited to the Lamb Center for food, fellowship, to do laundry, shower, gain new job skills and use other services. Their mission is to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ in a way that meets the needs of the poor, hurting and homeless people in the Fairfax City area. For more information, contact Diana Lewis (703) 385-2889 or Pete Grubmeyer (703) 591-7692 or the Lamb Center (703) 691-3178.