

UMYF Service Project - In June, 12 youth and adults traveled to Nashville to serve in mission for the week where they served with the Bridge Ministry of Nashville and with Project Connect Nashville through Adventures in Missions.

Children's Clothing Ministry – Wesley's Attic, a ministry of our UMW, has clothed 562 children since January, 2015. This included the distribution of more than 145 coats. We expect to provide clothing for approximately 250 children in December at our Christmas with the Community Day event.

VBS – More than 90 children and 70 volunteers were in attendance. Many of the children who attended were members of the community outside our church family.

Mobile Pantry – We sponsored 2 Second Harvest Mobile Pantry events, April and August, partnering with Central UMC of Lenoir City. At these events, 485 families received groceries. Our congregation provided approximately 160 volunteers in addition to some Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts who we host in our church building.

Wesley House – We hosted 26 seniors and staff members for an annual luncheon. We will hold a Christmas party and distribute gifts for an expected 95 children in December.

Morgan-Scott Christian Cooperative Project – We are currently collecting Christmas gifts to be delivered to the project in early December.

Back-To-School Kits – The UMW provided approximately 331 kits for children represented at the August Mobile Pantry.

FISH Ministries – In February, we partnered with St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church and Faith Fellowship Presbyterian Church to stock the West Knoxville FISH Pantry. We also donated money to the pantry so they could stock their shelves with much needed non-food items. Additionally, in partnership with Faith Fellowship Presbyterian Church, we answer FISH calls and deliver groceries once a month. This year, we have delivered groceries to 240 families with the help of 119 volunteers.

Senior Mobile Meals – Once a month, 10-18 volunteers prepare and deliver hot meals for approximately 22 people.

Volunteer Ministry Center – Once a month, approximately 5 volunteers serve 30-40 people at the VMC in downtown Knoxville.

Family Promise – With the help of two support churches, we hosted 3 rotations of homeless families and will host again in November. Each rotation included seven nights of lodging and dinner in our building. We hosted 10 families that included 13 adults and 13 children. With the help of 189 volunteers, the families were provided with breakfast and dinner, lodging and fellowship with members of FFUMC.

Giving Garden – We planted and harvested vegetables that were added to our FISH deliveries and sold from our Hunger Table. The proceeds from the Hunger Table were used to support hunger ministries.

Society of Saint Andrew – 6 volunteers participated in two potato drops and one pumpkin gleaning. The proceeds were taken to local hunger ministries and distributed at our Mobile Pantries.

LINUS – Volunteers have sewn and distributed approximately 25 blankets for children in need.

Compassion International – Our Service Team sponsors 3 children and UMW sponsors one child each year. Sponsorship includes a monthly required donation, additional donations for birthday and Christmas gifts, and regular correspondence through letters.

Orbit School – We continued to provide funding for one of our young adults who is sponsoring an orphan child at the Orbit School in Nairobi, Kenya. She hopes to support the child until she graduates from high school.

Trunk or Treat – We anticipate that about 30 families will decorate their trunks for this event and hope to host approximately 150-175 children, many of whom will come from the community outside our church family.

TAKE-OFF Mother's Day Out Program – Through May of this year, we offered a parent's day out and preschool program for 29 children. The program was staffed with 9 adults. In May, the TAKE-OFF program was discontinued due to lack of enrollment financial difficulties.

Christmas with the Community Day – On December 6th, we expect to serve approximately 150 families (350 people) by serving dinner and providing groceries, necessities, gifts, books, clothing, photos with Santa, and prayer support. This event takes place with the help of about 200 volunteers who are members, scouts and friends of FFUMC.

Holston Conference Cleaning Buckets – We collected and shipped supplies to fill 8 cleaning buckets for the Holston Conference disaster relief.