

MISSION MINDED

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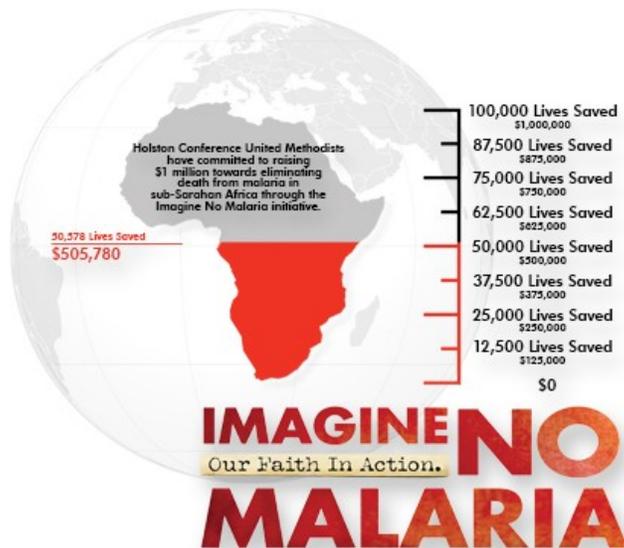
IMAGINE WHAT CAN HAPPEN WHEN WE WORK TOGETHER

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit. For the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear should say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body.
—1 Corinthians 12:12-25

As members of the United Methodist Church we are connected to other United Methodist Churches and Congregations not only throughout our District, but in our Conference, on a national level and around the World. One of the ways in which we connect with one another is through Missions.

This year in our Conference we have been participating in the *Imagine No Malaria Campaign*. This campaign focuses on the goal of eradicating Malaria. This is a real and possible goal, but only through our collective efforts.

Each Church is asked to do its part. The Conference has set a goal for each church to raise \$10.00 for each member in their Congregation by Annual



Conference. (An easy way to save \$10.00 is to collect quarters throughout the month. Ten Quarters will fit in a pill bottle.)

Each year there is a special offering which will be taken up at Annual Conference (This year Annual Conference is appropriately themed "Imagine") This year that offering is for *Imagine No Malaria*. It is to be delivered by our Pastor or Lay Delegate.

While some money has already been raised for this project we have not met our goal. It is not too late to achieve that goal and make a difference in

the lives of those who have been affected by Malaria. We can also prevent future generations from having to deal with the devastating effects of this disease.

We will take up a special offering the first week in June for the offering at Annual Conference. If you would like to give before then please write your check to Jones Memorial and put in the memo line *Imagine No Malaria*.

By working together and becoming the hands and feet of Jesus we can make a difference in our church, in our community, in our country and in the World.

NEWS FROM THE NET: DID YOU KNOW?

- For a limited time, the Holston Conference Foundation will match gifts from individuals for \$1,000 or more to the *Imagine No Malaria* campaign.
- The life expectancy in Zimbabwe, 46 for men and 45 for women, is one of the lowest in the world. This is attributed to poverty and the HIV/AIDS epidemic. Although there has been a noticeable decline in HIV/AIDS population, Zimbabwe is still battling with poverty.
- The average Median household income in East Ridge, Tennessee is a little over \$33,000 per year.

Meeting Notice

We will hold Mission Committee meeting on Wednesday, May 22 after the service.

This is an open meeting.

Anyone who is interested in missions is welcome to attend.

Mission Committee

Pastor Larry Dial
Melissa Spiers
Marlene Gamblin
Ryan Sherman
Paula Wright
Barbara Hartman

2013 HANDS ON MISSION PROJECT TO ZIMBABWE

Each year we participate in a Hands on Mission Project. This is the second year in a row we have put together food buckets for Zimbabwe. If you would

like to put a bucket together a list of items is provided on the following page. The buckets will need to be delivered to the District Office on Wednesday, June 5

between the hours of 9am and 4pm.

If you would like to help with this project contact the District Office. The number is 423-629-0333.

2013 HANDS ON MISSION PROJECT ITEMS AND INSTRUCTIONS

Contents are:

- 1 5lb bag corn meal
- 1 5lb bag sugar
- 1 5lb bag self rising flour
- 1 2lb bag rice
- 1 2lb bag dried beans
- 1 small box Splenda
- 1 box powdered milk (9 oz. or less)
- 1 2lb or 2 lb canned hams
- 1 bottle cooking oil (48 oz. or less)

All items need to be packed in a **New 5 gallon plastic bucket with lid.** If you need one they can still be picked up at the District Office. Please do not pack any extra items in the buckets and be sure the sizes are exactly as requested. Last year there were problems with customs and Holston Conference was charged \$1,800 in fines and penalties.

Please do not place money in the buckets.

Buckets will be collected at the District office on Wednesday, June 5 from 9 am to 4 pm.

Volunteers are needed at the District Office. If you would like to help please contact the District Office at 423-629-0333.



USE ONLY NEW 5 GALLON BUCKETS

MEET ONE OF OUR MISSIONARIES: HARRY HOWE

Jones Memorial sends support to several different Missionaries. One of the Missionaries we have elected to support is Harry Howe and the Ministry Project Crossroads.

Reverend Harry Howe is a Board of Global Ministries missionary serving as a Church and Community worker in Marion, VA, as the Executive Director of Project Crossroads.

Project Crossroads is an outreach ministry designed to address the basic needs of people in that area, alleviate human suffering, and provide an avenue to witness the gospel of Jesus Christ. Rev. Howe works with agencies, churches, and local organizations in a seven county area to identify and assist with housing needs for the

elderly, handicapped, and low income families.

Born in Kingsport, Tennessee and raised in Pinson, Alabama, Mr. Howe is a graduate of Athens College in Alabama, where he earned a degree in Behavioral Science. He received his M. Div. degree from Vanderbilt University School of Divinity, Nashville, TN.

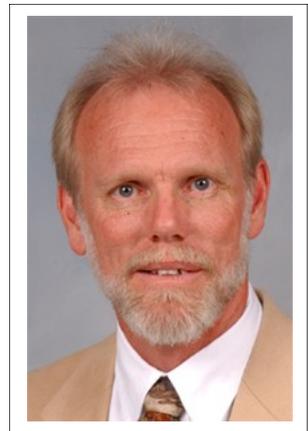
Harry is currently pursuing a Physician's Assistant degree in order to provide medical ministry through Project Crossroads.

Prior to his present assignment, from 1976-82, Mr. Howe was the pastor of Boyd's Chapel United Methodist Church in the North Alabama Conference. From 1982 to 1993 he was the pastor of Marion East Circuit United Methodist

Church in the Holston Conference.

Since 1977, he has been involved with United Methodist Volunteer-In-Mission work in Haiti, Zimbabwe and Sudan.

Mr. Howe is married to Denise Howe and they are the parents of two children, Will and Amanda.



Information taken from the General Board of Global Ministries Website.

**JESUS SAID,
"WHEN YOU SERVE
OTHERS YOU ALSO
SERVE ME."
MATTHEW 25:40**

SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR SCHOOLS IN EAST RIDGE

The average Median household income in East Ridge, Tennessee is a little over \$35,000 per year. With that in mind it is not surprising that back to school time is a difficult time for many parents in our community. Families who are already struggling to make ends meet are faced with the additional financial stress of providing a long list of basic educational necessities for young members of their families.

The back to school supply list can amount to hundreds of dollars per child when you take into account, the many items that are requested and sometime required by

our educational system; PTA fees, school fees, locker fees, uniform requirements, physical education clothing, classroom supplies, backpacks, school supplies including the cost of the a \$98.00 calculator which is required in Middle and High School.

This is why we would like to continue the efforts we began with the *Pass // On Campaign* by collecting school supplies for East Ridge Middle and High School.

Next month we will have supply lists available. It will also be possible to give monetary gifts that can be used to purchase school supplies for students in East Ridge

Schools. We will collect items during the month of June and July and deliver them the first week of school.

Our hope is to show these youth and their parents from our local area that our Church cares for them. We want to show them the love of Christ and let them know we feel they are important members of our community.

Please begin to pray for this upcoming ministry and for the lives we will touch.



Send them back to school with the Love of God.

For information regarding mission projects or if you would like to work in the area of missions at Jones Memorial contact Melissa Spiers or Pastor Dial: 423-624-6073 or jmumcpastor@epbf.com creekhouse@epbf.com or (423) 883-2827