

FIRST CHURCH MISSIONS COMMITTEE PURPOSE AND STATEMENT

Missions Purpose:

To support, serve, and build relationships with local, national, and global outreach organizations.

Missions Statement:

To support Christ-focused outreach positively impacting local, regional, national, and global communities while spreading God's Word of love and hope, and to make disciples for Christ.

How Missions is Funded:

Missions at First United Methodist Church is funded through Faith Giving from members of our congregation and others. Annually, near the end of January, Missions Committee sponsors a Mission Impact Event to update members of the congregation on the various organizations supported by FUMC through their contributions. Faith Promise Cards distributed to individuals and, on the last Sunday of January, members return their card with their "promise" amount. Donations are received throughout the year.

Organizations receiving Financial Support from Missions

Local:

- **Gideons International of Myrtle Beach**—making the Word of God available to all.
- **Habitat for Humanity of Horry County**—provide individuals a decent place to live.
- **Helping Hand of Myrtle Beach**—provide assistance in short-term crisis intervention.
- **New Directions**—provide men, women, and children shelter and food.
- **Race Path Community (Phoenix Renaissance)**—provide after-school and summer programs for neighborhood children.

Regional: Epworth Children's Home—serve children, youth, and families in SC.

National: Cass Community Social Services—support United Methodist in Detroit, MI for homeless men, women, and children.

Global:

- **Africa University**—support the tuition for a Student attending the university.
- **Project Agape**—support Christians in Armenia.
- **Zoe Empowers**—equipping orphaned children with the skills for long-term success in Africa.

Other Organizations Supported by Missions:

- **Grand Strand Miracle League**—provides life-changing sports programs for all ages and abilities.
- **FUMC College Ministry**—let students know they have not been forgotten; they are loved by God and their church family.
- **Bunk Beds**—provide bunk beds to families in need.
- **Monthly Missions Spotlights**—monthly collection of items, food, etc for designated local organizations.

**Collection bins for donations are placed
at all worship entrances as well as in the Church office.**



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