

Church Missions Team Meeting on Zoom August 31, 2021 1 pm

Participants: Tom Kroen, Karen Walker, Amy Overton-Harris, and Larry McClure

Afghan refugee resettlement –

Karen and Larry attended the informational zoom meeting by EMO about the resettlement of Afghan refugees. Neither of them got enough info on what is possible and what is needed at this point so they will continue to pug into this issue and bring us more info as it becomes available. In the meantime, Wes Tanac will set up an Afghan Refugee Resettlement fund that folks can make donation to and we will hold it until we determine local need.

School Supply Distribution Outcomes –

- 475 kids served
- Offering Donations \$5,848
- \$5,441 cost of supplies purchased
- Other donations \$4,325 (including \$500 grant from OnPoint Credit Union, \$125 gift card from Target, supplies donated directly to us, and an additional \$2,400 in Staples donation (received Sept 1st that we will save for next year).
- 325+ Volunteer Hours

UMCOR Cleaning Buckets needed –

Tom will put a kit together a kit and provide pictures and info on what is needed and where they can be purchased and we will encourage our congregation to make a kit, or a donation for a kit. They cost about \$75 each. Goal to provide 25 buckets.

Hilltop Community Garden =

Tom shared that Karen totaled up our food pantry donations so far this year: 1,759 lbs. Due to the extreme heat this summer, production is down, but the quality of the produce is great.

Family Promise –

2021. Combined Living Savior & TUMC. Families Served 61; Volunteers: TUMC 12, Living Savior 7, Total 19. Approximately 120 volunteer hours provided. Next Family Promise opportunities: October 19 and December 28.

Wes provided this mission giving summary

- Family Promise \$295 (in July and August)
- Kitchen Gardens: Kathy Wood's Virtual UMVIM trip to Kenya. Funds raised so far \$590
- Food Pantry \$300 (in July and August)
- UMOI First Relief \$100 in August
- School Supplies: \$6,348 total cash donations; Spent \$5,441; Balance forward for 2022: \$907

Fall Mission Focus:

- Contributions for Backpack Buddies for Byrom (The Byrom coordinator is seeking first delivery for September 24th distribution).
- Opportunities to help with Garden harvest and prep garden for winter.

- UMCOR Cleaning Buckets for Oregon fire victims
- UMCOR Disaster Relief – Hurricane Ida (Wes set this to receive donations too.
- Community Transitions School hoodies/coat collection Nov.
- Family Promise
- Refugee Resettlement – Wes set this up for donations.