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A Newsletter from the Mission Committee of First Presbyterian Church of Moorestown

MISSIONS CONNECTIONS

Fall 2024



Welcome Fall! Summer flew by this year! Your mission team remained busy.

It started with VBS where students packed 35 boxes for Operation Christmas Child; learned about Olympic Gold medalist and missionary, Eric Liddell; and played soccer and heard an update on the ministries in Malawi from our missionary, Ishmael Adam of Love Driven Ministries.

We had three opportunities to volunteer at the Children's Fresh Air Home. Eleven volunteers from FPC Moorestown had the opportunity to experience this wonderful ministry serving groups from Camden, North Philadelphia and Urban Promise. Lunch, a swim in the ocean and a visit to the boardwalk were great treats!

Our team of four traveled to Urban Promise Honduras for a fun and packed experience learning about the area and assisting in afterschool and holiday camps.

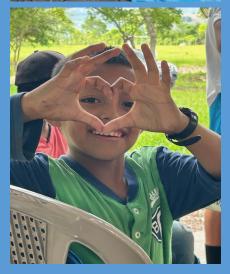
Our Missionware store flipped into the Grace Boutique. The boutique is a resource for those who have needs not met by other types of assistance. It stocks donated toiletries, paper products, diapers, makeup and many other items that are not typically available in other food outreaches.

The fall is shaping up to be just as busy with lots of opportunities to get involved. We know there is a place for you in missions and you are always welcome.

















HONDURAS 2024











A Message from Pastor Leon Dorleans

Greetings friends at First Presbyterian Church Moorestown! As I write to you, I have been here in the United States for six months. My wife remains in Haiti staying with my brother. Our home has been taken over by gangs and it is no longer safe to be there. Jacqui is safe but we miss each other. The good news is that the schools will reopen for class after summer break. In Barry Fe at the High School, we are moving ahead with expansion adding an all purpose building. It will serve as a cafeteria, meeting room and a place to put on spelling and Bible bees. We are excited to have this new space and are currently raising \$900,000 to complete the construction. I am preaching every Sunday at a different church asking for prayers and our continued success despite the gang warfare in Cite Soleil. I hope to visit you soon and we are asking for your continued prayer for our safety and peace in Haiti.

Yours in Christ, Pastor Leon

Friends,

After getting a roof, we opened our primary school beginning with elementary classes. We have first through third grades studying already. Our goal is to have our second building finished by February to add fourth through sixth grade classes. We will need to raise \$45,000 to finish the second phase of our project. I will be in the United States in November and plan to visit and worship with you. I look forward to seeing you and sharing our good news. Please keep us in prayer until we meet!

May our Lord Bless you,

Keneth Ndyamuhaki, Executive Director, Yamba Care Uganda





In 2020, FPCM assisted Love Driven Ministries Malawi in building the Chickondi Community Resource Center. It opened in 2022. They are currently raising funds to equip the center (\$3,200). They are now in the process of building a high school . They need \$18,000 to complete Phase 1 which will allow them to open for 9th graders in March of 2025.





GRACE BOUTIQUE SOFT OPENING

The Grace Boutique is opening in September with an introduction at the Ministerium meeting. This will give the churches in the area an opportunity to see the space and understand the "delivering dignity" model that the Grace Boutique will exemplify. Clients will be able to shop for items they need that are not available though assistance programs. Ministerium Churches can refer clients while we are in the soft opening Phase. Once we have worked through our model, we will establish regular hours in conjunction with the hours of our neighboring food pantries.

SAVE THE DATE

September

16—Christian Caring Center Corn Hole Tournament 11– 5 pm St. Mary's of the Lakes School Gym \$75 per 2-person team

23—Dine and Donate at Iron Hill Brewery for Missions (all day/ear in or take out)

<u>October</u>

5—Seeds of Hope Celebration Banquet October 5 Sovereign Grace

Church, Marlton, New Jersey 6 PM

7—Urban Promise Mission Day 8:30 AM -12:30 PM Workday on the Campus

26—Urban Promise Night of Promise at Collingswood Grand Ballroom,

315 White Horse Pike, Collingswood, NJ 5:30 pm

<u>November</u>

2—Cathedral Kitchen Harvest for Hunger Lucien's Ballroom, Berlin NJ 6:00 to 9:00 PM



GIVE 20% 200 Dine with us and we'll donate 20% of your food bill* to: First Presbyterian Church of Moorestown Valid only at the MAPLE SHADE location on: September 23, 2024 Thank you for you for your support

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