

Missions Committee Meeting 9/2/2009

Room 201

7:30 pm

Attendance : Catherine Vastartis, Janet Kleckner, Dave Dobos, Stephanie Roberts, Lisa Drew, Donna Houston, Lynn Spencer and Jenny Gee

Thank yous were received from UNICEF (Mother and Child Survival- Christmas Offering) and Cedar Creek (Jenny Scheufler's mission trip). Bruce McCrodden came and thanked us personally for our support of his Russia trip. Bruce has many interesting stories to about his trip, we plan to set up a time for him, Jenny Scheufler and Stephanie & Ian to tell our church family about their experiences.

Update on volunteer activities

Table will be set up in entrance, Sunday 9/6 9:30-12:30 to sign up for:

- Brooklyn Memorial Church Dinner , Sunday 9/20/09 we are providing salad, rolls & desert
- Cleveland Food Bank 9/26/09 7:30-12:30

Month, Oct- March 7-8pm in Youth Room

Knitting Ministry 1st & 3rd Tues. of

Habitat putting Article in Oct Newsletter

Stephanie spoke of her past trip to Costa Rica, where they helped build a Methodist Church. She and her husband are planning another trip back Jan. 1-10, 2010, to continue to help build this Church. They plan to become a sister church and make several mission trips back to this congregation. An information meeting about the next trip will be September 9, at 6pm. They hope to take up to 15-20 members of our church with them. Missions committee agreed to support them with \$5000. toward expenses.

Janet Kleckner told us of her upcoming trip with the Conference to Liberia, she will leave late January, and be on a construction team.....Missions committee agreed to support her with \$1000. toward her expenses.

This will leave just about \$4000. Remaining in the Missions Budget for this year.

Jenny Gee told us the Sunday School children will be collecting Pennies as their "Mission Project" this year. Missions committee agreed to match what they raise up to \$1000. She is still thinking about who the money will go to.

Because the meeting was running long Catherine promised to put

"Project 2010" Sunday Jan. 24 10am-2pm on the top of next month's agenda.

Christmas Season Events- we will Adopt a Family as a church, again this year.

Also do the Christmas Toy Shop, and offer Christmas giving alternative.

Providence House "Baby Shower" we agreed that this might be an event for next spring.

East Ohio Mission Trips, a copy of this year's trip was given to committee.

Nehemiah Mission – Cleveland, a request for Adults to work was read and we will look into their needs.

Next meeting October 7, 2010 at 7 pm, Room 201

Submitted by Catherine Vastartis