

Covenant United Methodist Church

Together

What did
Covenant do
in 2025?

The Mission
Team's
Core Values

make the difference

2025 Financial Report -
monetary & in-kind giving

In 2025 Covenant....

- ◊ provided monthly treats & Christmas gifts for the entire Lincoln staff, food for teachers during Conferences, and gift cards to teachers from United Art & Supply
- ◊ donated items and cash to A Baby's Closet and Mustard Seed
- ◊ packed 46,440 Project 216 meals with 144 volunteers
- ◊ donated over 3,500 individual snacks and candy to the Northrop H.S. Peace Room and Peace Family Lunch Table
- ◊ held a Fish Fry with the help of many volunteers and donated the proceeds to Habitat for Humanity
- ◊ helped Lincoln School prepare for the start of the school year
- ◊ tutored Lincoln students weekly through FWCS Study Connection
- ◊ provided financial aid to Life for Children Ministry in Kenya
- ◊ donated over 1,200 total items including canned meat, beans, soup, fruit & veggies, cereal, paper products, and personal care products to Gethsemane Lutheran Associated Churches Food Bank
- ◊ volunteered at The Rescue Mission, Treasure House, Lincoln School, Gethsemane Lutheran Food Bank, Inasmuch Ministry, Forgotten Stones Ministry & Northrop's Peace Family Lunch Table
- ◊ collected winter coats, gloves, socks, hats and shoes for those The Rescue Mission serves
- ◊ provided Christmas gifts for 25 residents of Byron Wellness Center
- ◊ purchased bananas & water for those The Rescue Mission serves
- ◊ for Christmas we provided 126 gifts and 17 gift cards for 21 children in 9 families in the CASA program
- ◊ helped to support our missionaries - Michael Agwanda in Kenya, Mason & Claire Miller in Kenya, and Caleb & Amy Cox in Dallas
- ◊ gave 120 units of blood through the Red Cross Blood Drives which touched the lives of 360 people
- ◊ sent funds monthly to Inasmuch Ministry to support their work with the poorest of the poor in Fort Wayne
- ◊ donated clothes to Lincoln School and the FWCS Clothing Bank
- ◊ wrote encouraging notes to the teachers of Lincoln School
- ◊ donated meals to Forgotten Stones Day Shelter and "Welcome Home Baskets" to those Forgotten Stones placed in housing
- ◊ Sent a Mission Team to Guatemala to serve with Mission Guatemala
- ◊ AND MORE!!!



THE CORE VALUES OF THE MISSION & OUTREACH TEAM

We believe ...

... everyone is called to serve. As stated in John 13:14-15, Jesus modeled serving others throughout his entire ministry. We believe all those who follow Jesus are mandated to serve. We believe this helps us grow as disciples of Jesus.

... the best way to make disciples is by living out our faith with a servant attitude. Based on James 2:18, we will encourage all those in the Covenant community to share the Good News of the gospel through active servanthood, prayer, and faith sharing relationships.

... that in serving we are called to do no harm. Based on John Wesley's, Three Simple Rules for Christian Living, "Do no harm, Do good, Stay in love with God", we believe that our service should empower people towards lives of self-sufficiency.

... we are called to serve the poor and the marginalized locally, nationally, and globally. In Matthew 25:40, Jesus calls us to serve "the least of these".

... we are called together to be the church to make a greater impact on the world. Realizing the impact of the first church in Acts 2:42-47, we will follow their example and prayerfully seek guidance on how best to use the resources entrusted to us. While we will encourage all people to serve individually, the Mission & Outreach Team will concentrate their efforts and encourage the Covenant community to focus on 4 specific ministries as a Community (Lincoln School, Inasmuch Ministry, Forgotten Stones Ministry and Life for Children Ministry in Kenya).

... we were created to partner with God. Although use of our time, energy, and money reflects our commitment, we are not limited by the lack of these because God has all the time, energy, and money God needs.

The team's primary objective:

"Empowering servants and transforming the world by focusing on children and those in poverty."

The Mission & Outreach Team members are:

Barb Hering (chairperson), Linnaea Arford, Shanon Aycock, Barb Clark, Sheryl Friedley, Janet Hall, Keith Hering, Julie Hyndman, Tim Lute, Nikki Miller, Terry Pargmann, Peg Roser, Sue Weirich, Pastor Chris Nunley and Pastor Allison Yankey

Passionate about missions? Be a part of the Mission Team!

The team meets on the 2nd Monday of every month at 5:15 at the church.

For more information, contact Barb Hering at barbhering@gmail.com

COVENANT UMC MISSION GIVING FOR 2025

Mission Designated Accounts	Giving to Mission Funds	2025 Mission Budget	In-Kind Gifts (estimated)	Value
Admin Expenses	0	144	Byron Christmas Gifts for 25 people	1,500
Bashor Home	200		70 Bashor Quilts	4,500
CASA gifts	532		FWCS Clothing Bank donations	250
Christmas Offering	10,750		Clothing donations for the RM	550
Covenant Missionaries	870	11,700	126 gifts & 17 gift cards CASA Gifts	4,000
Food Bank	2,411		Clothing & Supplies for LS	1,700
Forgotten Stones	4,225		Food Bank Donations	5,500
Habitat for Humanity	7,275		Knitting ministry: 25 prayer shawls,	1,500
Inasmuch Ministry	4,035	4,800	11 baptism & lap blankets & 5 scarves	775
Lenten Offering	14,922		Snacks-Northrop Peace Table & Room	1,500
LCM Orphan Support	780	2,400	200 pillowcases Ryan's Cases for Smiles	2,000
LCM Projects	4,083		Laundry Baskets & meals for FS	2,000
Mission Special Projects	3,114		10 baby quilts made for Hope Center	400
Rescue Mission	2,601		Baby Items for A Baby's Closet	376
Rising Stars	880	1,156	Bed & bedding for Mustard Seed	210
Rummage Sale	4,344		Total Estimated In-Kind Gifts	26,761
Study Connection	800			
UMCOR	9,396			
UMCOR Sunday	3,976			
Total Income	75,194	20,200		

LS = Lincoln School

RM = Rescue Mission

LCM = Life for Children Ministry

FS = Forgotten Stones

United Women in Faith (UWF)	
National UWF	2,266
IN Conference UWF	120
Lucille Raines Residence	550
Church Women United	90
Associated Churches	625
Total UWF Gifts	3,651

Total Mission Giving	
Giving Beyond Budget	75,194
Budget	20,200
In-Kind Gifts	26,761
UWF Mission Gifts	3,651
TOTAL Mission Outreach	125,806

