# **Mission Efforts**

## **2023 Mission Summary**

### Feb 18, 2024

#### **Service Projects**

**Salvation Army** – Volunteer team provides over 70 meals on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month to the less fortunate along with preparation on Wednesday the day before, 24 days of service with over 1000 service hours.

**Compassion United** – Every 2 months, on the first Saturday of the month, a team of volunteer's package and provide over 25 boxes of food to homes in Conroe. 12 days of service with over 300 service hours.

**Family Promise** – Every quarter we provide coverage for a week with meals and overnight hosts to support 3-6 families in Conroe. 28 days of service with over 4000 service hours.

Rise Against Hunger – Volunteers are packaging over 10,000 meals at Christ Church to be shipped internationally to those in need. 1 day of service with over 150 service hours held once a year.

**Prison Ministry** – Kairos program in the Spring and cookie packaging in the Fall. Over 5 days of service with over 250 service hours.

**Interfaith Serve Our Seniors (SOS)** – A group of volunteers provide yard cleanup and / or painting for local seniors in our community. 1 day of service with over 40 service hours.

**Pumpkin Patch** – Community outreach and selling of pumpkins along with providing opportunities for family photos and relationship building. This also includes fund raising for Missions. 17 days of service with over 300 service hours.

#### **Special Projects and support**

The backpack school drive in June / July was successful for the Plain Gospel Mission partner and the mission team coordinated fund raising / collection with the congregation to be able to deliver 303 backs to the border for them.

Food Pantry collection – Monthly food drive collection, 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month, alternating between Interfaith pantry and Tamina Community Center pantry.

We supported a matching gift fund drive to support those in need following the Turkey earthquake disaster and sent \$2,700 for the relief effort.

We supported a matching gift fund drive to support those in need following the Maui Fire disaster and sent \$9,700 to Global Methodist Maui support.

We were able to support each of our partners in 2023 with \$6,000 for supporting each of their mission efforts.

We conducted the PACN Baby Bottle campaign in May and June with over \$5,000 contributed to their mission efforts.

Blood Drive was successful with 17 units of blood provided to our local community in June.

Teacher Appreciation – Every August we provide a luncheon for all teachers and staff from The Woodlands High School the day before school begins in the fall. We also provide a luncheon for all teachers and staff from Christ Church the day before the Climbing Tree begins in the fall.

Interfaith Toy Drive was a success during December and many of those in need received your gifts.

Over \$2,000 raised for children Christmas gifts sponsoring the Plain Gospel Mission partner in Galeana Mexico.

#### **Mission Trips**

Mexico mission trips were cancelled due to violence in areas.

**Cost Rica Zirkel Family** – A group of 6 members traveled to Costa Rica in October to continue working on the new church building in El Tigra along with conducting VBS at multiple churches in the area. The mission budget contributed \$5,000 to the supplies in the building process.

### **Financial review**

We carried over from 2022 \$45,937 as we had several December donations for Faith Promise. Combining this with the financial report we received from Finance in Feb 2023 following our campaign: \$65,000 Faith Promise pledge. We operated the year based on this combination of finances as we did not receive any additional reporting throughout the year. We carried forward \$18,379 to support 2024 Jan and Feb mission efforts.

Recently we received a report from finance for 2023 giving actual for \$107,503.17 which we are reviewing and will have more accurate numbers in the future as carry forward. Items under review are designated giving, fund raiser campaign and Faith Promise commitments.