

WESLEY MISSIONS UPDATE

WHAT'S BEEN GOING ON IN MISSIONS? SEE BELOW!

WELCOME New Members: Jim Short, Cheryl Williams & Martha Hufnal

Attached with this newsletter is the end of the year budget sheet showing how our committee was able to help support those in our community & those efforts to show the love of Christ abroad.

The **Angel Tree** was run by Jill Street & was an amazing growing ministry this year serving nearly 50 children with gifts!

2015 was our first year doing the **Miracle Offering**. This is where congregation was asked to bring a "gift" to Christ while they were shopping for gifts during the Holiday Season. We received \$1,010.00 & this was split between DIMH & Heifer International.

The first set of **disbursements for 2016** will be requested within the next week. They will include support to DIMH, Shepherds Place, Whatcoat Shelter, Home of the Brave & Habitat for Humanity.

We will be deciding how to support **school children in the Congo** so please be in prayer & ready to discuss at our next meeting.

The **Mission trip to Costa Rica** is approaching quickly! (July 2016). Janet Krauss is leading this trip & tickets are set to be purchased THIS week. If you have any questions please contact Janet at 302-423-2168.

Wesley UMC serves dinner at DIMH! It's time to start thinking about how to help with this ministry. Wesley provides & serves dinner two weeks a year at Dover Interfaith Mission for Housing (DIMH). Help is always appreciated. Let us know if you are interested!

The **SMC Code Purple Shelter** is open Wednesday & Thursday evenings. This has been a wonderful year so far serving over 40 women & children this winter! If you'd like to help or know more— contact Christina O'Connor 302-423-0286 or

Special things to keep in mind:

- **Be prayerful about where God is leading us as a committee to serve**
- **Be attentive to where God may be calling YOU to be His hands & feet**
- **Be ready to discuss how we move & serve our community & abroad at the next meeting Thursday 2/18/16 @ 7PM in the Parlor**

Second Saturday/Sunday Meals

We began serving **Saturday Community Meals** in July of 2015 & they have been a HUGE success. We serve the 2nd Saturday of every month lunch to anyone in the community that wants to come join us— lunch is FREE & we make a bagged lunch for them

to take with them. We will be continuing this meal & are in **need of someone to coordinate** this wonderful ministry. Please let Ray Yarnall, Christina O'Connor or Pastor Amy know if you are interested in coordinating or helping coordinate in 2016!

NEW for 2016 Sunday meals the 2nd Sunday of each month at approximately 12:30 PM. This is for all three congregations as well as anyone in the community to come & join in fellowship with each other. **2/14/16 is the first meal.**

MaryAnn Evans is coordinating this first meal. We are hoping to have different people lead the coordinating of this each month. Let Ray, Christina or Pastor know if this is something you feel led to coordinate one month!