

Unity Mission News

May 2018

Unity Golf Tournament

On April 30, nineteen teams hit the links at Cowans Ford Golf Club for the annual Unity Missions Golf Tournament. Proceeds from this year's tournament will benefit Unity missions, the Construction Crew and the Unity Preschool. Many thanks to the Unity Golf Committee, as well as the many Unity volunteers, hole sponsors and those donating prizes. A special thanks also to the local businesses who supported the tournament. The Wentz team took first place, with the Joey's Restaurant team



finishing second and the Darden team taking third. Congratulations on another successful fundraiser which will help so many in our community and worldwide.

Earth Care Congregation For the third year, PCUSA certified Unity as an Earth Care Congregation. We are the only church in the Denver area with this distinction. What it means is that we, as a church, intentionally integrated earth care themes and practices in areas of worship, education, outreach, and the care and maintenance of our buildings and facilities. In addition to recycling, composting and community gardening initiatives, Earth Care hopes this next year to help a few local families establish their own backyard vegetable gardens. The Earth Care Committee thanks the congregation for its support as we continue to care for God's creation.

Hesed House Meals – Lincolnton Homeless Shelter Unity prepares and serves meals for up to 30 people, plus staff, at Hesed House on the first Tuesday of each month. In addition to serving meals, we also help support Hesed House's ongoing need for consumables, as well as lunch ingredients. Many thanks to our volunteers, with a special welcome and thank you to our new volunteers. If you would like to help preparing or delivering meals on an "as available basis" and/or wish to provide other help, please contact Vic Leith at vleith@twc.com. The time commitment is four hours maximum, four times a year. Volunteering once or a few times doesn't obligate you to help every time.

The Kilgoris Project (TKP) On April 23, we welcomed two guests from The Kilgoris Project - Pastor David Lemiso, director of TKP in Kenya and Vera Thompson, director of Student Health. They warmly thanked us for Unity's continuing support of TKP. They also shared how our support is used to spread God's love in this rural area of Kenya.



Pastor David Lemiso and Vera talked about their roles with TKP,

and invited Unity to send a mission team to Kilgoris next year. Pastor Lemiso promised a meaningful experience for all with a chance to help with their education and health-related programs. He promised excellent living quarters, and the opportunity to go on a one-day safari. It was a special time with two very special guests as we shared prayers, fellowship and food!

Building Bridges to Racial Unity The Compassion, Peace & Justice (CPJ) Committee will host a second meeting with 15 African-American local community leaders on June 3 at 3 p.m. This is follow-up to the highly successful March 11 kickoff meeting. The purpose is to gauge the level of interest in moving forward toward our stated goals: to be better neighbors by improving communication, trust, and friendships; and to eventually work together on identified needs in the Denver area. Several ideas have surfaced thus far, including an inter-church Meals & Mingles program, an inter-church Gospel Music Concert, an inter-church Youth Program, and an interchurch Good Parenting Education Series. And, we hope other ideas will surface at the meeting. For information, contact Sam Sipes or Elaine Jenkins.

Lincoln County Habitat for Humanity Habitat for Humanity is currently in the final stages of building three houses in Lincoln County. Anyone interested in participating in this caring and important work can register at the Lincoln County Habitat website. They post all volunteer opportunities on the calendar page at volunteerup.com/ ProjectCal.asp?o=317. If you are interested in more information, visit habitatlcnc.org or contact Vic Leith at vleith@twc.com.

Lakewood Update Unity volunteers will treat Lakewood residents to bingo in May before taking a summer break from bingo. If you are interested in helping with bingo in May or when it resumes again in September, please contact Denita Sample at ddsample@charter.net.