**MISSIONS AND OUTREACH TALKING POINTS**

INTRODUCTION

Welcome - Introduce yourself and give a little background on the MOB, Sarah, your own involvement in Missions and Outreach/mini-testimony.

Ask the group what they are currently participating in that might be defined as Missions or service projects/organizations.

* Take good notes on the organizations, projects, how often, and how many people are involved.

Ask everyone if they know about Good Sam

* Our largest line in our Missions and Outreach budget, funded by Christmas Eve offering and designated donations
* Support those locally in Cherokee County with rent and utilities
	+ YTD have assisted with $7,795 in rent and utilities
* Needs come in through a few sources in Cherokee county and requests
* Get logged into a database to make sure they are not agency hoping

What other missions at Hillside are you familiar with?

MISSIONARIES

* We support international missionaries (Mexico/Bosnia)
* We support domestic missionaries at KSU and NC State as well as Snowbird
* All of these missionaries were “raised” at Hillside

MISSION TRIPS

* San Lorenzo, Honduras - Spring trip through HOI is typically more construction oriented
* Guaimaca, Honduras - Fall trip to Orphanage Emmanuel
* Gauging interest for a Domestic Mission trip to West Virginia mission Hands of Hope

UMCOR - Hygiene kits and flood buckets, local disaster relief trips (staff trip to Newnan in April 2020)

MUST SUMMER LUNCH

* Hillside is a summer lunch hub
* New format
* We deliver 5 days of breakfast and lunch in a cooler bag once a week
* This format will allow us to deliver 2X the meals from the past
* More kid friendly choices
* 2021 - 991 kits (9,910 meals) delivered to communities and 429 kits (4,290 meals) distributed to children through food pantries (Acworth UMC & Forever Fed)

CHRISTMAS ANGELS 2020

* 278 gifts provided and delivered to children in Cherokee County, identified by DFACS and school counselors
* $8,500 for Goshen Valley Boys Ranch and $8,500 for Murphy-Harpst Children’s Home collected and donated

HUGS - Blankets to nursing homes, hospitals, babies, the sick/elderly (meet every other Tuesday)

LOCAL MISSIONS

Forever Fed: In 2020 served 38,663 people 718,903 lbs. of food.

Breaking bread: two teams who prepare and serve 2 meals each month at MUST Ministries Loaves and Fishes

MUST: addresses the basic needs of our neighbor in need in Cobb and Cherokee County. Hillside has just fulfilled is $10,000 commitment towards the “Build Hope a Home “campaign

Papa’s pantry/Encompass Ministries: grocery support and skills training classes to provide stability

Action Ministries: help women with serious addictions to learn to live a healthy and clean life through counseling, therapy, and positive influence

Camp Gideon: Christian camp that serves more than 2,800 local individuals annually

Give a Kid a Chance: provide Cherokee County children from low income families with a backpack filled with grade-specific school supplies

Habitat for Humanity: Christian housing ministry

HOI Education: Honduras Outreach International - strengthening Central American communities through faith and partnership

Hope Center: helping women who are experiencing an unplanned pregnancy to choose life for her baby.

KSU Wesley Foundation: Christ-centered, Biblically based campus ministry (Kennesaw State University)

Next Step Ministries: seeks to change the lives of individuals with cognitive and/or physical challenges through programs that reinforce their inclusive place in society

Prison Ministries: typically partner with KAIROS Prison Ministry, on hold with COVID

SPECIAL OFFERINGS

* WESLEY WOODS - support the elderly at UM care facilities
* NORTH GEORGIA HOMELESS COUNCIL - reaching out to the homeless in our area to help provide a safe place to stay
* WELLROOT FAMILY SERVICES - focus on finding a home for every child in need of a family

CURRENT OPPORTUNITIES

* Hope to have 2-3 mission trips in 2022
* Provide meals to Elizabeth Inn residents through Breaking Bread
* Hillside Serves ministry - need leaders and committee members
* Emergency Response Team
* Christmas Angels
* Forever Fed
* Next Step Ministries
* Helping Hands

The MOB - our job is to make it easier for you to connect

* Hillside UMC website
* Missions Facebook page - Like and Share!
* Bulletin for mission’s update
* Email Sarah - missions@hillsideumc.org