

2008 Communion Offerings

During the 1980's, members of Krum United Methodist Church decided that part of their mission is to reach outside church walls to relieve suffering, clothe the naked, feed the hungry, visit the sick and participate in wider community life. At that point, they instituted a monthly offering that takes place on Communion Sundays (the first Sunday of each month). An extra offering is taken that day, brought as people come forth to receive the Sacrament. Each month, that special offering is sent to a different place. This offering is given above and beyond normal general fund and building fund offerings. At this point, at least \$40,000 has gone out from this church to multiple recipients. In January, 2008, the Krum Methodist Outreach Program (KMOP) members met and decided on the 2008 offerings. Below is the result. We encourage you to plan for these and give generously as God leads.

January

Krum Library Building Fund

Send to:
P.O. Box 780
Krum, TX 76249
940-482-3455

February

Krum Family with a child with Neurofibromatosis

Neurofibromatosis (NF) is a genetic disorder of the nervous system which causes tumors to form on the nerves anywhere in the body at any time. This progressive disorder affects all races, all ethnic groups and both sexes equally. NF is one of the most common genetic disorders in the United States (one in every 3,000 to 4,000 births). NF has two genetically distinct forms: NF-1 and NF-2. The effects of NF are unpredictable and have varying manifestations and degrees of severity. There is no known cure for either form of NF, although the genes for both NF-1 and NF-2 have been identified.

NF is an autosomal dominant genetic condition; it is not contagious. Approximately 50% of those affected with neurofibromatosis have a prior family history of NF. The other 50% of cases are the result of spontaneous genetic mutation. If an individual does not have NF, s/he can not pass it on to his/her children.

This offering will be given to a family in need in our community with a child suffering from this disorder. This offering is not tax deductible since the money that is collected goes directly to the family and not the organization.

March

Vacation Bible School.

April

Volunteers in Mission

United Methodist Volunteers in Mission (UMVIM) offers volunteer opportunities for teams and individuals in places of need around the world. Our own Brittany Burrows will be serving as a Volunteer in Mission from August 2008 to at least August 2009.

May

Youth Mission Trip this summer to Birmingham, AL.

June

Habitat for Humanity (Denton Area)

Send to:

P.O. Box 425
Denton, TX 76202
940-484-5006

Habitat for Humanity is an ecumenical Christian ministry whose goal is to eliminate poverty housing. Decent, modest homes are built using volunteer labor. The homes are sold on a no interest basis to qualified families who are required to participate in the construction. Home owners finance their homes through Habitat. Through the construction of quality, affordable housing, a home of hope, dignity, and self-worth in the Denton area is formed.

July

HOPE, Inc.

P.O. Box 50946
Denton, TX 76206
940-382-0609

HOPE, Inc. Is a non-profit agency that has worked in the Denton Community since 1986 with families who are homeless or potentially homeless.

What HOPE does:

- Provides a system to coordinate movement from emergency shelter to Transitional Housing programs for the homeless/potentially homeless families in the Denton area.
- Provides financial and life skill assistance including rent, utilities, childcare, job/education, budget and goal planning using a case management approach for families in Transitional Housing Programs.
- Provides budgeting and rent/mortgage assistance to those experiencing an emergency situation.
- Provides counseling assistance for mortgage delinquency.
- Assists with referrals and coordination to other community agencies.

August

REATA Rehabilitation

Send to:

9204 T.N. Skiles Road

Ponder, TX 76259

940-479-2612

REATA Rehabilitation is a non-profit organization that provides outpatient rehabilitation to Dallas-Ft. Worth-Denton children and adults with Physical, Emotional, Cognitive, Speech impairments. REATA Rehab uses Hippo Therapy to enhance mobility, attention, posture, body awareness, communication and cognition.

September

Krum Methodist Outreach Project (KMOP) Christmas Angels.

Helps needy children in the Krum ISD area with clothes and gifts for Christmas.

October

World Communion Sunday

Sent in with monthly apportionment check to North Texas Conference. Make sure that the World Communion Offering is designated as such. Advance Number 681

Provides scholarships for international and U.S. racial- and ethnic- minority undergraduate and graduate students as well as scholarships for racial- and ethnic- minority persons seeking second careers in church-related vocations. Half of the money will be sent overseas.

November -

Interfaith Ministries

Send to:

P.O. Box 1744

Denton, TX 76202

940-565-5479

Provides emergency basic needs assistance to the people of northern Denton County with the goal of helping those people to become self-sufficient. Provide emergency utility, rent, and medical needs assistance, distribute summer fans, car seats, back-to-school supplies, and winter coats.

December

SEEK Camps

Sent in with monthly apportionment check to North Texas Conference. Make sure that the SEEK Camps Offering is designated as such. Advance number 743

SEEK Camps (Summer Events for Exceptional Kampers) are designed for persons who may not otherwise be comfortable in the Conference's standard camping program due to their need for special assistance in the cabins or a slower pace around the campground. SEEK campers include children, youth and adults who are physically or mentally challenged or both.