

# Trinity Presbyterian Church

Mission Activities

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# Mission Activities - 2017

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- Blessings in a Backpack
- Presbyterian Disaster Relief
- VBS Mission Kits
- Financial Support for Missionaries – Presbytery Shared Mission Support

✓ Project Description

✓ Who does it benefit

✓ What do you want from me

✓ Who do I contact to get involved

### What is EACM?

EACM is part of the Association of Community Ministries which works to address the human needs of people living in Jefferson County. EACM is a 501c3 not-for-profit organization. All donations are deductible. We are accredited by the Better Business Bureau as a charitable organization.

EACM is fortunate to have the incredible support of our member churches. We are also supported by grants, individual and business donations.

"Gracie" and her husband came to EACM seeking help with their utilities. They had been without electricity for over a week and have 3 children. Gracie had lost her job and her husband has medical issues and is currently unable to work. EACM was able to provide stability to this family through generous community donations.



### Our Partners

EACM would like to thank our 35+ member churches for their foundational support over the years. Please see our website for a complete listing.

We would like to thank our community supporters for their partnership to help families in our community.



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Want to learn more about EACM? Sign up for our Electronic Newsletter at [www.eacmonline.org](http://www.eacmonline.org)

# EACM



## Eastern Area Community Ministries

*Your Hands Helping Others*

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Louisville, KY 40253  
(502) 426-2824  
[eacmi@bellsouth.net](mailto:eacmi@bellsouth.net)

[eacmonline.org](http://eacmonline.org)



### How Can I get Involved?

There are many ways to support the efforts of Eastern Area Community Ministries.

- Become a Volunteer.
- Host a Food Drive.
- Make A Financial Donation.
- Donate diapers, baby wipes, formula, bottles & other necessities for infants and children.
- Become a Helping Hands Partnership Mentor.

Visit our website at:

[www.eacmonline.org](http://www.eacmonline.org)

to learn more about EACM and how you can help families in need or crisis.



### Our Mission:

To partner with people in need or crisis and to equip and support them in leading lives of stability and dignity.



## Your Hands Helping Others

### Our Vision:

An empowered community where every person is fed, sheltered, and safe.

Services to improve the quality of life for individuals in crisis include:

- **Good Start for Kids**  
Provides diapers, baby wipes, and essential baby care items.
- **English as a Second Language Classes**
- **Special Programs**  
To further assist individuals and families EACM provides additional services based on need and availability:
  - Back to School
  - Thanksgiving Baskets
  - Christmas Store
- **Food Pantry & Dare to Care Distribution Site**  
Provides emergency and supplemental food to homes that face food insecurity.
- **Emergency Financial Assistance**  
Rent/Shelter, Utilities – Assistance to secure stabilization of families in crisis.
- **Meals on Wheels**  
Provides meals to senior adults who qualify for this program.
- **Helping Hands Partnership**  
Partners with individuals in their journey to reducing barriers to a self-sufficient, empowered life.
- **Latino Outreach Services**  
Our Latino Outreach Program facilitates the immersion and integration of our Latino neighbors.

[www.eacmonline.org](http://www.eacmonline.org)

# CARE BAGS FOR THE HOMELESS

## PACK IN GALLON SIZE ZIPLOCK FREEZER BAGS

### SNACK PACK (Suggestions of items that could be included)

Reusable Water Bottle or a Bottle of Water \*\*  
Individual flavor packs (to add to water)  
Peanuts  
Trail Mix  
Individually to go cup - Peanut Butter  
Vienna Sausage  
Slim Jim  
Individually wrapped Hard Candy (place in snack/sandwich bag)  
Crackers  
Cookies  
Fruit cup / Fruit snacks / apple sauce  
Granola bar (Chewy – not crunchy)      Try to find one with Protein  
Hand sanitizer  
Note of Encouragement

***Don't include chocolate or other snacks that might melt or go bad.***

### HYGIENE KITS (Suggestions of items that could be included)

Reusable Water Bottle or a Bottle of Water \*\*  
Socks  
Hand sanitizer  
Deodorant  
Wet wipes  
Wash cloth  
Small First Aid Kit / Band aids  
Razors  
Lip balm  
Gloves  
Individually wrapped Hard Candy  
Cough drops  
Toothpaste / toothbrush  
Note of encouragement

***\*\* Most Homeless can easily find public drinking fountains or restrooms where they could fill a Reusable Water Bottle***



## Burrito Riders

Dear Rollers,

Thanks for volunteering to roll burritos for the hungry in our communities. Below you will find a supplies list and recipe. Please note that the supplies list is not based on package sizes, but on the amount of raw material necessary to produce roughly 14-15 burritos. If you have some extra filling left, feel free to make an extra burrito. Please just be sure that your burritos are consistently sized and fill out the tortilla. We ask that you deliver the burritos by 9pm on the Friday before the ride. Please contact [Tim@burritoriders.org](mailto:Tim@burritoriders.org) to arrange a drop-off or pick-up of the burritos.

### Supplies needed:

- 2 packages large (at least 10 inch "burrito size") flour tortillas
- 1 dozen eggs
- 3 15-oz cans of black beans
- 20 ounces of mild salsa
- 12 ounces shredded cheddar cheese
- 4 cups cooked rice (1 cup dry equals about 2 cups cooked)
- aluminum foil to wrap the burritos (we have foil donated for our burritos)
- 2 tsp cumin powder
- 2 tsp garlic powder

### Recipe:

1. Warm the black beans over medium-low heat with the cumin and garlic powder. After they are warm, drain excess liquid.
2. Scramble the eggs. Salt and pepper to taste.
3. Prepare rice in sauce pan following instructions on package.
4. Combine scrambled eggs, rice, cooked black beans, shredded cheese, and salsa in a large mixing bowl. Stir gently until just mixed.
5. Place approximately one cup of the mixture onto each tortilla, making a line down the center of the burrito shell. Fold each end of the tortilla toward the center and then roll the burrito to close. (video tutorial on our blog, [burritoriders.org](http://burritoriders.org))
6. Generously wrap each burrito in a piece of aluminum foil making sure to overlap the foil so that none of the burrito is exposed.
7. Apply the Burrito Riders label (we can provide these for you)



# Operation Warm Feet



**PLEASE BRING YOUR DONATION OF  
MEN'S SOCKS TO CHURCH DURING  
THE MONTH OF DECEMBER**

Trinity Presbyterian Church  
10200 Shelbyville Road  
Louisville, KY 40223  
(502) 245-5515

## **Christmas Season.**

We all wear them; we change them daily. We are able to wash them when they are dirty. Homeless people are on their feet all day and they are most likely wearing the only pair of socks they own. Most will wear that one pair of socks until they are so thread bare that they no longer hold together.

Again this Christmas, we will be collecting Men's socks to donate to the **Jesus Cares @ Exit 0 Ministry** a waterfront ministry here in Louisville Area.

# My Dog Eats First

## MY DOG EATS FIRST

<http://www.mydogeatsfirst.org/>

Waggle Wednesday Foodbank Program

When: Wednesday Nights ~ 6:45 pm - 8:15 pm

Where: 2509 Portland Avenue, Louisville, KY 40212

**If you are homeless or have fallen on hard times and are trying to hold on to your pets we provide help with:** Wet/Dry Food ~ Supplies (leashes, collars, food bowls) ~ Once-per-Month Rabies Clinics ~ Free spay/neuter vouchers (offered during rabies clinics)  
Free licensing for spayed/neutered and vaccinated pets (offered during rabies clinics). Must have proof of rabies vaccination.

*\*Please understand that this is a supplemental program and not intended to be the sole source of food and supplies for your pets.*

We share not only our passion...but our compassion.

Along with our Waggle Wednesday program, we work hand-in-hand with other nonprofit organizations, volunteering in the community wherever we're needed to help the homeless and underserved care for their pets by providing free pet food, supplies, veterinary care and spay/neuter services without judgement.

We're committed to contributing our energy and all the donations that we are given, and we hope that in doing so we help set an example for others to follow.

As more families struggle with difficult choices like paying the rent or buying food, some have to choose between keeping their pet and putting food on the table. The whole family suffers when money problems make it hard, or impossible, to care for a pet. But we're here to help.

## WISHLIST

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### Supplies that the My Dog Eats First often needs:

- Dog/Cat Food - Wet and Dry
- Heavy Duty Storage Bins (for our foodbank, to keep the mice out)
- Zip Lock Bags (1 or 2 Gallon and Sandwich Size Ziplock Bags)
- Cat Litter
- Animal Food Dishes & Water Bowls
- Collars/Leashes & Harnesses of ALL sizes
- New or GENTLY USED (clean) fleece blankets





## First Impression Suit Closet



Center for Accessible Living has a collection of men's professional clothing for job seekers in Louisville and surrounding areas that need Interview attire. **Individuals do not need to have a disability to receive a suit.**

***Because first impressions last a lifetime!***

We ARE currently accepting new or nearly new, cleaned contemporary interview-appropriate:

Suits Blazers Pants Dress Shirts Ties Belts Dress Shoes

Please bring all items cleaned and on hangers. NO BAGS OR BOXES PLEASE.

**No** Suits that are NOT interview appropriate or sportswear or casual clothes  
(including denim, fleece, sweat suits, t-shirts)

Center for Accessible Living ~ 501 S 2nd Street, Suite 200 ~Louisville, KY 40202

(502) 589-6620 PHONE



# Fed With Faith



*"You put us in charge  
of your handcrafted  
world."*

*Psalm 8:6*

The Message

GRIFFIN FIRST UNITED METHODIST  
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GRIFFIN, GA 30224  
770-228-3020  
WWW.GRIFFIN-FUMC.ORG



## Mats for Missions Ministry

*This ministry makes and distributes  
mats made from upcycled plastic bags  
to those in need.*



*Upcycling is the process of converting old or  
discarded materials into something useful and  
often beautiful.*

# Instructions for Making Plarn Mats

## Sleeping Mats

Mats are made by using plarn which is plastic yarn made from upcycled bags. Sleeping mats measure around 36" x 72". Each sleeping mat takes between 500 and 700 bags to produce. Mats may be woven on a simple wooden frame loom or crocheted.

### Items needed to make Plarn

- Plastic bags
- Scissors or a rotary cutter and mat

Multiple bags can be cut at once if using a rotary cutter and mat. Be sure that the edges are as smooth and straight as possible.

### Step 1: Flatten bags



### Step 2: Cut the handle top and bottom off of the bag.



### Step 3: Cut side to side across the bag which gives you two plarn loops.

### Step 4: Loop to loop knot the pieces together.



## WEAVING & CROCHETING WITH PLARN

Plarn is easy to work in 6-8 loop lengths.

When weaving on a loom, the warp should measure around 6 feet and contain 4 loop lengths of plarn.

A long length of plarn can be used when crocheting.

### Crocheted instructions

Chain using a large gauge crochet hook until the chain measures 36". SC each row until the finished mat measures 72". Crocheting is time consuming and uses more bags than weaving.

### Loom Instructions

#### Loom materials

Ends are 40" pc. of 2" x 2"

Sides are 76" pc. of 2" x 2"

Frame is put together with carriage bolts and nuts.

Top and bottom pieces have 37 (8 x 1 3/4 ) Flat Head Phillips Wood Screws placed one inch apart for warp loop attachment.

We have found that placing pieces of 1/2" PVC pipe or doweling next to the outside screws running the full length of the sides will stabilize the weaving and keep the mat from going into an hourglass shape. If using a rod, include the rod with the outside warp loop when weaving. Rods can simply be removed when weaving is complete.



### Loom Weaving

Warp uses 4 loop lengths of Plarn.

It helps to use 2 different colors for the warp.

Ex. Brown, white, brown, white....

This makes it easier to instruct others about the weaving process. Weavers can lift and go under brown warp lengths in one direction and under the white warp lengths when going the other direction.

Tie a loose knot around the first piece of warp plarn.

The first 4 rows of weaving go in and out of each loop which makes a secure border. The remaining weaving pattern goes over and under the both links of each loop.

If you want the mat to make a pattern, you simply lay out and weave several lengths of the same color.

Continue to use the loop to loop knot when connecting pieces of plarn as you weave.

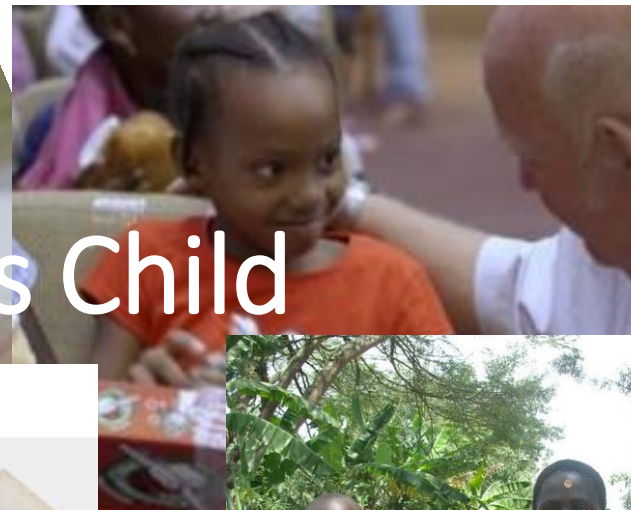
### Finishing

Use a crochet hook to lift the loops off of the screws. Starting on the left side, put the 2nd loop through the 1st loop on the left. The 2nd loop then becomes the loop on the left and you will put the next loop through that loop. Continue to chain the loops across the end. When you reach the final loop, put the tied on piece through the loop and tuck the end into the weaving on the side.

Repeat on the other end.

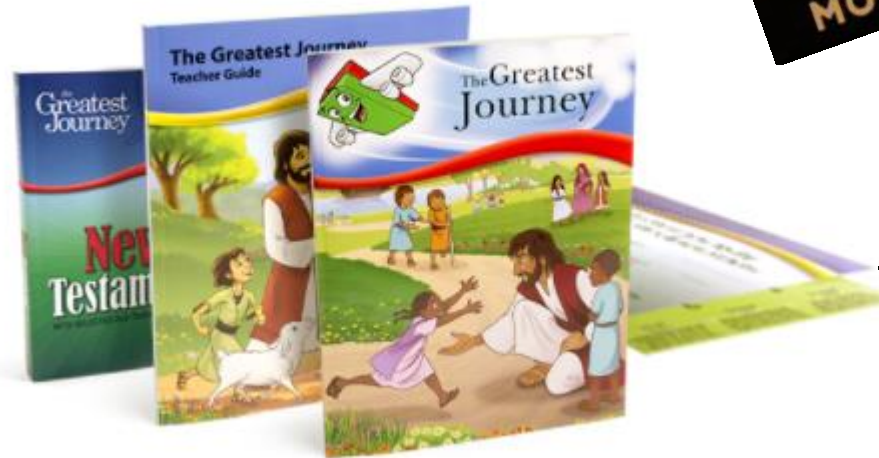


# Operation Christmas Child





# Operation Christmas Child – The Greatest Journey







# Trinity Faith and Art Center





# Water Step Project

## Take a Step to End Thirst

**Donate Shoes. Save Lives.**



### Save Lives All Over the World

Your shoe donation will help WaterStep fund life-saving water projects all over the world.

Drop off your new or used pair of shoes in one of our on-site collection boxes.

Once again we are teaming up with our Preschool for their  
Back-To-School Service Project  
Turning Used and Unwanted Shoes into Fresh Water.

So clean-out your closets of all your old shoes,  
Drop them off in the Container in the Narthex at Trinity



Louisville, KY

APRIL 2017

Trinity will be partnering with the Presbyterian Disaster Relief Project during  
Louisville's Week of Service.

We are collecting items for Emergency Hygiene Kits

**ITEMS NEEDED:**

HAND TOWELS (16" X 28") – (No other sizes)

WASHCLOTHS

WIDE TOOTH COMB

NAIL CLIPPERS

BATH SIZE BAR IS SOAP (INDIVIDUAL WRAPPED)

TOOTHBRUSHES (INDIVIDUAL PACKAGED)

BAND-AIDS

We will be putting together the Emergency Kits during the WOW Mission April 5, 2017

There is also an opportunity to help assemble kits ~ Saturday, April 29 ~ 2 PM – 4 PM  
@ Strathmoor Presbyterian Church ~ Corner of Bardstown Rd & Hawthorne Ave.

# Presbyterian Disaster Relief



## Mid Kentucky Presbytery 2018 Disaster Relief Mission Project Hygiene Kits

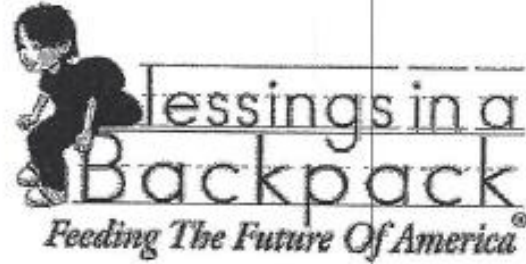
Drop off new hygiene items at Strathmoor Presbyterian Church, 2201 Hawthorne Avenue, 451-5185, on **Monday, April 16, 2018** from 10 AM to 1 PM Help pack disaster relief kits on **Saturday, April 21, 2018**, from 1 to 3 PM at Strathmoor.

- Hand towels
- Wash cloths
- Bath size bars of unscented soap
- Toothbrushes in original packages
- \* Wide tooth combs
- \* Boxes of band aids
- \* Nail clippers
- \* Empty boxes for reams of paper

Our project is part of Mayor Fischer's 2018 Give a Day week of service.

Our goal is 1,000 disaster relief hygiene kits.





Blessings in a Backpack provides food for elementary school children across America who may otherwise have little or no food to eat on weekends during the school year

#### **Mission**

Feeding the future of America, one school at a time.

#### **Company Overview**

69% of children in America are on free or reduced meals at their schools. Blessings in a Backpack is designed to feed these kids on the weekends by sending them home on Fridays with backpacks filled with staples that require little to no preparation. Starting at just \$80, Blessings in a Backpack can feed a child for an entire school year.

The last 5 years Trinity is partnering with Middletown Elementary School for the Blessings in a Backpack program.

We have sponsored 10 children for the coming year,

# Trinity Mission Committee

**How can you get involved - Contact anyone on the Trinity Mission Committee  
Call or text:**

- Max Oyler – Chairman
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- Kathy MacDonald
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- Candy Wheat
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  - (502) 551-9874

***Come to a Mission Meeting – Last Sunday of the Month after the 11:00 service***