

JULY: FOCUS ON HOMELESSNESS/LOCAL POVERTY & HUNGER**Prayer Partners for Youth Mission Trip to Alabama (Mission Trip July 10-15)**

You can help support our youth traveling to Alabama even if you cannot travel there. Serve as a prayer partner for one of the team members during the week of July 10-15. Write them notes of encouragement to receive during their time away and pray for them daily. Notes need to be turned in by **July 7th**. [Contact Wendy Willis at wwillis@simpsonwoodumc.org](mailto:wwillis@simpsonwoodumc.org) to serve.

Smart Lunch, Smart Kid Summer Feeding Program

We are partnering with Action Ministries again this summer to provide lunches to local children who might not eat because they are not in school. Volunteers can help prepare lunch onsite at SUMC and make deliveries to a local apartment complex. Tues, Wed, and Thurs from June 7-July 28. Thursdays all Summer are reserved for youth to prepare. Volunteer spots fill up quickly. [Signup at www.simpsonwoodumc.org/missions/local](http://www.simpsonwoodumc.org/missions/local)

Re-Christ Ministry Needs Tutors for 2016-2017 School Year

Planning for Fall 2016 has already begun! Recruitment of tutors for the after-school program at Valencia apartment is needed to adequately serve the children 4 days a week. If you have a heart for elementary school children and desire to make a significant impact in their lives, consider serving with Re-Christ. [Contact Charles Battle at battle2030@comcast.net](mailto:battle2030@comcast.net) for more information.

All Month**Christmas in July Food Drive**

Support the Norcross Cooperative Ministry all month by donating non-perishable food items to help stock the shelves for our neighbors in need. Donation bins will be at all church entrances throughout the month.

All Month**Back to School Drive for Hope Ministry**

Backpacks and school supplies are needed for the 16 children we support through Hope Ministry. Items for high school, middle school and elementary school needed. To participate, take information from the display in the narthex of Building A. Donated items can be dropped off to Jann Roeder in Building B church office Mon-Fri, or brought to worship on Sunday.

7**SafeHouse Outreach**

5:00-9:00 pm An urban outreach committed to changing lives of those in the margins of society. SUMC takes a meal the **1st Thursday of each month**. Drivers, servers and meal-preparers are needed. You can help support this effort during the day or travel to serve in the evening. Also, bottled drinks are needed or donation to cover that expense. For more information about SafeHouse Outreach, visit www.safehouseoutreach.org. [Contact: Scott Adams, SafeHouse Liaison, at scottadams@3csoftware.com](mailto:scottadams@3csoftware.com)

10-15**Youth Mission Trip to Alabama**

Open to youth in 6th-12th grade, and college-age young adults. Travel to Wetumpka, Alabama and partner with the YouthWorks organization to serve local residents living below the poverty line- the majority being elderly or families with young children. Service includes painting, cleaning, yard work, leading children's activities like games, crafts, reading and Bible lessons. Wetumpka is a small community just north of Montgomery with a diverse population of about 6,500, including the Porch Creek Native American Tribe. [Contact Chris Mixer, Youth Director, at cmixer@simpsonwoodumc.org](mailto:cmixer@simpsonwoodumc.org) for more information.

12**Rainbow Village**

5:30-7:30 pm Join the **United Methodist Men** as we prepare and serve dinner to the mothers and children involved in the after school program at The Rainbow Village Community Center. SUMC provides dinner **once a month** at the transitional housing community for homeless families with children. [Contact: Jann Roeder at jroeder@simpsonwoodumc.org](mailto:jroeder@simpsonwoodumc.org) to serve.

17**Presentation by Reed Skinner, Missionary with For His Kingdom**

9:45-10:45am Come hear about the amazing work being done in Honduras. Reed Skinner will present information on his ministry with a group of single mothers in a "suburb" of Tegucigalpa called Nueva Suyapa and another ministry to the Tolupan tribe of the San Juan region of La Montaña de la Flor, which are bringing the good news of Jesus to the people of that region. [Building C, Room 110/111](#).

19**Norcross Co-op**

9:00am Travel in the church van and assist with sorting linens for the clothes closet at this local outreach on Mitchell Road in Norcross, providing assistance to those in need. For more information about the Norcross Cooperative Ministry, visit www.norcrossco-op.org. [Contact Richard at rhamrick@gmail.com](mailto:rhamrick@gmail.com) to serve.