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- Special/Current Projects

If you would like to help Zion with financial contributions to these organizations, you may make checks payable to Zion UM Church and designate them for Missions and mail them to the church office at
PO Box 305, East Prospect, PA 17317.

A new ***Mission Challenge for Zion*** is to look at the scripture in Matthew 25:34-40 (NIV)

And see if we can say YES to all 6 of the directives contained in that scripture:

*Food *Thirst *Invite in *Clothes *Looked after (sick) *Prison (visit)

Additionally, I'm taking a survey to see what kinds of service organizations you belong to besides Zion (i.e. fire company, ambulance club, Lions Club, etc.) and how you personally are being God's hands and feet.



Such as - - do you donate time to the Lions Club, which in turn helps to provide glasses to children/people needing them within our community.

OR

Have you piano at the Hospital in the main entrance area – giving on edge visitors a sense of calm by hearing a familiar song.

E-Mail your responses so we can use your story to inspire others.

[Click Here](#) to see Zion's current special mission projects.

If you would like to serve somewhere, but you don't know what you'd be good at, Here is a link to take a "gifts" survey to help you find out in what area your talents may be.

[Spiritual Gifts - UMC.org](#)

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Wings of the Morning

Providing transportation for hospitals, visiting educators, teams, leaders and other church needs

Location: Africa, Congo, (Democratic Republic)

Background / History

The Aviation Ministry started in 1960, when the first plane flew into the Congo by Paul Alexander, a GBGM missionary. Transportation was the major need and is still needed today. This ministry has been, and still is, the vital ministry in our United Methodist Church (UMC) in the Congo.

Goals & Objectives

Our goal is to be able to educate the local UMC that we are serving, to grow in the self-funding for this ministry. It is a long-term plan due to the nature of the ministry.

Zion supports this ministry with an annual contribution.

For more information - [The Advance - Search for Projects of The Advance - Southern Congo Wings of the Morning](#)

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Wycliffe Bible Translators (Mike & Wendy Buchanan)



Today about 340 million people do not have any Scripture in their language. Wycliffe's vision is to see the Bible accessible to all people in the language they understand best. To make this vision a reality, Wycliffe also focuses on community development, literacy development and church partnerships.

Zion supports the Buchanans with an annual contribution.

For more information about the Buchanan's and their personal ministry (including their Most recent newsletter - [Click here \(www.wamplus.org\)](http://www.wamplus.org)).

For more information on Wycliffe's overall ministry – [click here. \(www.wycliffe.org\)](http://www.wycliffe.org)

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Sierra Leona Partnership Initiative

Zion partners with sister churches:

Locotown United Methodist

and the Men of Zion and United Methodist Women partner with

Thunderhill United Methodist Church

Central Pennsylvania Annual (regional) Conference encouraged local churches to enter into partnerships with churches in Sierra Leone, one of the poorest nations in the world. The 11-year-civil war (1991-2002) left pastors without a living wage. American churches have provided salary support for Sierra Leone pastors since 2007. The support has considerably improved the living standards of pastors and encouraged more young people to enter the preaching ministry.

For more info - [Sierra Leone village embraces mission team - UMC.org](#)

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Our Daily Bread

Located at 331 South George Street, York, PA

Serves breakfast and lunch Monday-Friday

Zion is responsible for preparing casseroles on the 5th Friday of a month. This usually happens 4 times per year. We are expected to provide at least 18 Casseroles. Zion makes a chicken noodle casserole. The recipe is provided As well as the aluminum casserole pan.

Casseroles need to be delivered to the vestibule area of Zion by 7:45 a.m. On the day of service. A volunteer from Zion delivers the casseroles to Our Daily Bread.

Zion is also expected to provide servers. Zion usually tries to have a minimum Of 8 people for serving. Servers need to be at the facility by 11 a.m. Carpooling from Zion's parking lot is an option.

If you have questions regarding this mission – see or call
Maryann and/or Tom King

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Canadochly Valley Ambulance Club,

located in East Prospect, Pennsylvania

has been a vital part of the community since August 14, 1974.

Two emergency vehicles, staffed entirely by volunteers, serve East Prospect, Craley, Yorkana, and Lower Windsor Township

Some of the members of Zion are volunteer EMTs and/or drivers for CVAC. Zion gives a yearly monetary donation to CVAC. There are numerous volunteer service opportunities through this service organization such as, EMT, driver, cleaning of facility, mowing grass, cleaning of vehicles, or helping with other special events.

For more information - [Canadochly Valley Ambulance Club](#)

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East Prospect Fire Company

Located at 11 West Ridge Avenue, East Prospect, Pennsylvania

The East Prospect Fire Company is made up of 100% Volunteer Men and Women serving their community. Founded in 1907 they have provided the community with top notch PROFESSIONAL volunteer service.

Some of the members of Zion are volunteers for East Prospect Fire Company. Zion gives a yearly monetary donation to East Prospect Fire Company.

If you would like to inquire about volunteering at EP Fire Company in a variety Of ways, such as drivers, fire fighters, cleaning of facility, mowing grass, Cleaning of vehicles, or other special events, check out their website.

www.eastprospectfd.org

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Susquehanna Senior Center

Located at 2427 Craley Road, Wrightsville, Pennsylvania

The Susquehanna Senior Center's primary mission is to promote the health, emotional, social and intellectual well-being of senior adults, through daily programs that keep them independent and living in the community.

Provides activities for seniors and also provides
Meals on wheels. Zion has in the past
(and It is anticipated they will Continue the tradition In 2011)
donated the offering from the
Thanksgiving Eve service to the Susquehanna Senior Center.

www.susquehannaseniorcenter.org

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Adopt-A-Highway

(in conjunction with PennDOT)

“PennDOT's Adopt-A-Highway program is an effective way to reduce litter and the overall cost of litter removal in Pennsylvania. By volunteering to clear a two-mile section of state highway four times a year, you and/or your group are caring for the environment and helping to minimize our maintenance cost. The Adopt-A-Highway Program in Pennsylvania has had more miles adopted than any other state in the nation!”

Zion has agreed to be
responsible for keeping clean the portion of Abels Road
Between Craley and East Prospect.

This year's remaining scheduled pick up dates are:

Saturday, August 6, 2011

Saturday, October 1, 2011

It doesn't take much time. We meet in the church parking lot at 8:00 a.m.
The road is divided up and we carpool to designated start and stop points
Unless you feel like you want the extra hike.

If you are interested in helping with this mission, watch for sign up sheets
Or call or see Brian Holzer (252-2986).

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Located in Mechanicsburg, PA

“Mission Central is the mission warehouse of the Susquehanna Conference of the United Methodist Church. Along with our 21 satellite operations called “HUBs”, we supply humanitarian goods and logistical services to hundreds different ministry and social service agencies. Since our beginning in June 2002, Mission Central has hosted tens of thousands of volunteers who come to experience being "the hands and feet of God" in service. With our volunteers, we process United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) "Relief Kits" for use around the world, provide all types of needed supplies for local and national ministries, and assist many projects that are sending God's love around the world.”

Zion occasionally has specific projects that are done and delivered to Mission Central, such as school kits, health care kits, flood buckets, etc. Check out their website for many, many opportunities for using your time, talents and treasures.

www.missioncentral.org

In addition to specific projects, Zion also gives a yearly monetary donation to Mission Central.

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OKLAHOMA INDIAN MISSIONARY CONFERENCE PARISH PARTNER

Due to the fact that the majority of our 89 churches that minister to approximately 45 tribes are located in areas of the state [Oklahoma] that have high unemployment. It is very difficult for local churches to pay the full pastor's salary. Our support helps to pay pastor's salaries.

For more info - [Advance - Oklahoma Indian Missionary Conference Parish Partners](#)

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York Rescue Mission -

is a non-profit religious organization that has been in existence for over forty-nine years. It began with the objective to offer food, clothing, shelter and spiritual guidance for the poor and needy of York County. Since 1962, developing this vision has continued. Their goal is Service above Self and to be Christ-like; inviting men, women & children to accept the Savior whom God sent into the world (John 3:16). They meet the basic human needs of the many they serve, as well as equip, train, nurture and guide them toward a better quality of life. Poverty and despair are at an all time high in our community! In 2010 they served 161,137 total meals and provided overnight shelter for 7,048 needy men, women and children. The YRM is committed to being an important part of the solution. Please browse their site to learn more about them and the many different ministries that they offer.

www.yorkrescuemission.org

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Albright Care Benevolent Fund

– Normandie Ridge in York, PA

Albright Care Services is a faith-based non-profit corporation.

In the **mid-1980s**, a group of clergy and laypersons organized as United Methodist Care of York requested assistance from Lewisburg United Methodist Homes to create housing for seniors and a nursing care facility in York, PA. Construction began in **1990** and York United Methodist Home opened in **1992** featuring 71 Garden Cottages, a 64-bed nursing care center, and a 66-bed Assisted Living facility.

The Albright Care Services Fund Development Office exists to assist donors in discovering the most effective ways to partner with Albright in the fulfillment of its mission. Since the opening of our first facility in 1916, Albright Care Services has never asked a resident to leave who through no fault of their own became unable to pay the full cost of his or her care. Albright is able to maintain this proud tradition only through the generous donor support of the Charitable and Benevolent Care Fund.

www.albrightcare.org

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HUMAN LIFE SERVICES

Helping to Make the Right Choice.

Supports women of all ages facing unplanned pregnancies with counseling, information, referral, and material needs.

Human Life Services is located 3 blocks North of the York Hospital, between Jackson Street and Cottage Avenue. The center is 3 doors away from the Red Cross building

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The Released Time Bible Program ministers to public school students, offering biblical instruction for one hour a week during the school day.

www.joyel.org

Zion is a Released Time Host Site.
If you are interested in volunteering for this great opportunity
Contact Cynthia Silar (252-3827)

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Samaritan's Purse Operation Shoe Box



The Youth Fellowship group at Zion take an annual collection of money to defray shipping costs and also collect toys and/or filled shoe boxes.

www.samaritanspurse.org

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Compassion International

United Methodist Women and Men of Zion
Sponsor children through Compassion International
Many individuals at Zion also sponsor
Children through this organization.



Compassion focuses on the spiritual, physical, economic and social needs of children in poverty. Our Christian holistic child development program is:

- Christ Centered.

Jesus is at the heart of Compassion's ministry and each child has the opportunity to hear the gospel in an age-appropriate and culturally relevant way.

- Child Focused.

Compassion focuses on the individual child and his or her development. A transformed child will inevitably change his or her environment.

- Church Based.

The Church is God's chosen instrument to bring hope and deliver justice to the poor and oppressed. Compassion partners with local Christian churches to equip them for ministry to children.

- Committed to Integrity.

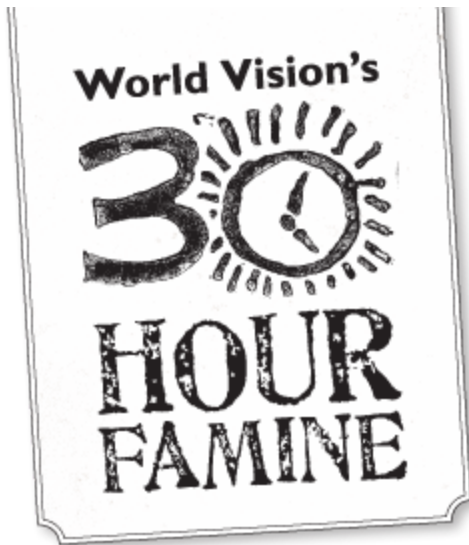
We're dedicated to delivering excellent programs with complete integrity.



For More Information:
www.compassion.com

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Zion's Youth Fellowship Group
Has participated in this event sponsored
By World Vision International.

The youth drink only water or juice
(on an approved schedule)
For 30 hours and get pledges to raise
Money for this Organization and their mission.

They also learn about countries and cultures who are
are experiencing famines.

www.30hourfamine.org

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The United Methodist Women have made a monetary donation toward the Camping Program.

Zion offers partial scholarships for tuition payment for children wanting to attend any camping program. Call the church office for more information (252-1800).

Camp Programs are NOT just for kids!! There are camp programs for retired adults, women only, families, college students, as well as fishing camps, scrapbooking, etc. There are 4 camp locations in our District.

Check them out - www.susumcamps.org

The camps also are available for retreats and camping.

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CONFERENCE BENEVOLENCES

Methodism's founder John Wesley said, "I look upon all the world as my parish." Wesley reminded us that we are called to step out of our little corner of the world to spread the good news, transform hopelessness into hope and help God's children wherever they may be.

"I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me."

--Matthew 25:35-36, NRSV

While it would be wonderful if we could reach out personally to everyone who needs our help, we know that is impossible. So we gather regularly with our congregation and put money into the offering plate, and through a carefully crafted system of United Methodist mission and ministry our gifts stretch around the world.

Your contributions to your local church not only benefit your local congregation, but also have regional, national and international impact through our connectional giving system. Most of the money you give is used to support the ministries of your local church. A small portion funds regional ministries.

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SPECIAL SUNDAY OFFERINGS:

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

So much of what UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) does is about restoration: giving sight to the blind, building up farming communities, helping workers to become self-sufficient and reconstructing places destroyed by disaster.

Join United Methodists everywhere by participating in the special offering that supports UMCOR's vital work. Your gifts to One Great Hour of Sharing lay the foundation for UMCOR to bring restoration, healing and hope for tomorrow.

[One Great Hour of Sharing - Overview | UMC Giving](#)

Golden Cross Sunday

**offerings are used for health and welfare ministries
in the annual conference.**

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Zion gives a monetary donation to
Habitat for Humanity

There are a lot of ways to participate in this organization
Without being skilled in the construction area.

Check out what they are doing in our area
And how you may be able to help. . .

www.yorkhabitat.org

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Zion gave a monetary donation to
Heifer International in 2011

“To End Hunger & Poverty

Heifer's mission is to work with communities to end hunger and poverty and care for the earth.
By giving families a hand-up, not just a hand-out, we empower them to turn lives of hunger and poverty into self-reliance and hope.

With gifts of livestock and training, we help families improve their nutrition and generate income in sustainable ways. We refer to the animals as "living loans" because in exchange for their livestock and training, families agree to give one of its animal's offspring to another family in need. It's called Passing on the Gift – a cornerstone of our mission that creates an ever-expanding network of hope and peace.”

Check out what they are doing
And how you may be able to help. . .

www.heifer.org

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Red Lion Area Community Services Food Pantry

The 2nd Sunday of the month at Zion is designated As Food Bank Sunday. Any items brought for donation Should be placed in the blue bin or next to the blue bin At the entrance to the sanctuary (under the communication Table. All food donated through Zion is taken to the Red Lion Area Community Services Food Pantry and Distributed through their service. Persons in need of Food are referred to them for servicing.

For more information or to help
Check out their website :
www.rlacspantry.net

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York County Council of Churches

Is an interdenominational Council who uses common funding to work on issues that they believe are common to York County. Faithnet 2011 has identified 3 specific areas that they want to focus on in the York County area:
poverty, housing, and strengthening families.

Zion gives an annual donation to this organization.
If you want to see more of what they are about or ways to get involved
Check out their website: www.yccchurches.org

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The Lydia Center

is funded and is part of the Water Street Rescue Mission Ministries

It is located near the Eastern York High School on Hilt Road.

“The Lydia Center offers one of the few 6-month, residential recovery programs on the East Coast. We provide Christian faith and guidance through counseling that integrates the physical, spiritual and psychological aspects of a woman “

Zion gave a monetary donation in 2011 to this organization.

Check out Water Street Rescue Mission Ministries at www.waterstreetministries.org
Or Lydia Center www.lydiacenter.org

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United Methodist Children's Home

Located in Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania

The home has been in existence for 90 years. It was primarily an orphanage for children, but it is now a home for children who have been exposed to a negative social circumstance. The home provides emergency shelter to children referred to the home by Children & Youth Services and other agencies.

Zion gives an annual monetary donation to this organization.

Check out their website for more information and volunteer opportunities:

www.umhcservices.com

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New Life for Girls

New Life for Children

(are ministries that the Men of Zion support)

New Life for Girls' mission is:

- Free her from her addiction
- Restore her sense of self-worth
- Train her to re-enter society in a productive role

New Life for Children's mission is:

Specifically for mothers. The women may remain with their children, and together they are loved and taught and guided in the ways of the Lord. In addition these women also take parenting classes to ensure a safe and healthy life for themselves and their children

The New Life for Girls is located in Dover, Pennsylvania and
The New Life for Children is located in Glen Rock, Pennsylvania

www.newlifeforgirls.org

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Teen Challenge

(a ministry supported by the Men of Zion)

Mission Statement:

“We believe that there is hope for recovery for every individual who is bound with life controlling problems such as an addiction to illegal drugs or alcohol by establishing a relationship with Jesus Christ. We believe there is hope even when all other methods have not worked. Teen Challenge offers a safe place for recovery for eligible individuals based on Biblical principles.”

Check out their website for more information: www.teenchallengetc.com

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Salvation Army

(supported by Men of Zion)

Their Mission:

*“The Salvation Army of York's Chapel is located at 124 S. Duke St. in downtown York. Whether it's embracing the homeless, responding to disasters, uplifting the abused or abandoned, training and mentoring the disadvantaged, providing character building programs for youth, or assisting the displaced or elderly, The Salvation Army's goal remains the same: serving the most people, meeting the most needs, **DOING THE MOST GOOD!**”*

**Check out their website to donate to the “red kettle” or
To see how you might personally serve in this ministry:
[York PA Salvation Army](#)**

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Good News Jail & Prison Ministry

This is a ministry that Zion has been researching and gathering more information about . . . Pastor Dave Hildebrand was with Zion on Memorial Day, 2011 and gave us an insight into what this ministry is doing for inmates, families of inmates and staff at the local York County Prison.

There are numerous ways to help this ministry in person and financially. Please check out their website or see Zion's Mission representative for more information.

www.goodnewsjail.org

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Men of Zion annually support at least one if not more families from our Community during the Christmas season with financial support and/or gifts, etc. in addition to the other organizations they support financially as previously designated.

Men of Zion have a fellowship meeting the 2nd Sunday of the month at 7:30 a.m. In the Jacob Albright Room on the lower level of the church. Use the office entrance.

United Methodist Women meet the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. They usually meet in the rear of the sanctuary on the upper level of the church.

Zion's Visitation Team – Zion has visitation teams that go to visit the hospitalized, home bound, new members, visitors, or anyone desiring a visit for any reason anywhere. You can request a visit by calling the church office. If you are in the hospital, please fill out the church communication card provided with Zion's information and they should notify our office of the request. If you know of someone who you think would like a visit, please inform the church office.

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Current/Special/Other Projects

- 2nd Sunday of the Month – remember to bring your donations for the food bank.
- August 6th @ 8:00 a.m. – meet in church parking lot for Adopt-A-Highway trash pickup

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