57% OF Guilford COUNTY SCHOOL CHILDREN RECEIVE FREE OR REDUCED LUNCHES.

The Guilford County School System reported that 2,634 children experienced homelessness last year.

It is through support like yours that we are able to feed bodies and souls and that we can express God’s love in so many concrete ways.

The Feast of Caring meal, in the soup kitchen tradition, kicks off our annual operating fund campaign. We are requesting your 2012-13 annual pledge or gift at this event. Individuals like you give over half of Urban Ministry’s $4 million budget. Since we are not a United Way agency we must raise all funds ourselves. Please be as generous as you can!

When you make a pledge or give a donation of $25 or more, you will receive a handcrafted pottery bowl donated by local or Seagrove potters or five honor cards. William Mangum’s 2012 Honor Card titled “The Climb” will be unveiled and made available at this event.

Drop in anytime between 5:00-7:00 p.m. for a simple meal of soup and bread. No reservations are necessary. Entertainment will be provided by the guitar-playing duo of Bobby Doolittle and Jim Carson. This will be a time for the community to come together to fellowship, to enjoy food and music, and to renew your commitment to the poor and homeless.

Please ask your congregation to donate five loaves of homemade bread or rolls for the Feast of Caring. We encourage local potters to donate one or more pieces of pottery.

2012 HOLIDAY HONOR CARD by William Mangum, “The Climb”

Join us at the official HONOR CARD KICKOFF LUNCHEON as we support the homeless and demonstrate how small acts of kindness can change the lives of those in need. Come hear a special message from this year’s inspiration for the Honor Card.

THURSDAY, NOV. 1, 2012 | 11:30 A.M. TO 1:00 P.M.
CHRIST UNITED METHODIST | 410 NORTH HOLDEN RD., GREENSBORO

RSVP to Crystal Mercer by Oct. 29 at (336) 553-2638 or mercer@guministry.org

Our Sponsor: Hutchinson Wealth Management Group
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2012 Honor Card
“The Climb” by William Mangum

Since 2001, over 2 million soldiers have valiantly served in the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. On their return home, many soldiers have had to face challenges that they were not ready to experience including post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), countless injuries from combat, weakened family ties and unprecedented unemployment rates higher than the national average. All of this makes it hard for many Vets to transition into civilian life. A large segment of these new Veterans are facing the same challenges that many of our homeless Vietnam Veterans have dealt with for decades.

Recently I had the opportunity to visit The Veterans Restoration Quarters in Asheville, NC and listened to the accounts of several men that proudly served our country. I asked them if they felt doubly wounded. What I meant was - there is a perceived code or badge of honor associated with those who serve our country. I believe the public has certain expectations of our war heroes. Among them is a belief that they should never succumb to the land-mines of life. But just like you and me, they do.

Today I’m thankful for agencies like Urban Ministry that help our Veterans cope with the deep wounds that have scarred them and help bring them out of the depths of despair, giving them a hand up with encouragement and hope. Success is in the comeback and for anyone who has stumbled in life there is an opportunity to grow from each challenge.

God can truly demonstrate His might when we are at our lowest point. If you have stumbled along the life’s journey, there is hope. Whether through sorrow that seems too hard to bear or circumstances that make each day a morning to night grind, let God pull you up by His Power. Hold on to His Hand. Cling to Him and ask for guidance, for God “upholds all who fall.” Trust His Power and hold on; He will give you the strength for “the climb.”

Honor Cards are available for a gift of $5 or more. Recognize a friend or loved one this season with an Honor Card that will support Greensboro Urban Ministry’s outreach to the needy and homeless. Call 271-5959 or visit www.thehonorcard.com

Many thanks for your continued support of the homeless and needy this Holiday Season. Blessings.

Bill
Thanks to Our Community!

In honor of becoming a Bat Mitzvah (Daughter of the Commandment) in Jewish tradition, Alexa Rose Cutler, along with her parents, Wendee and Ivan Cutler, delivered two fancy-wrapped food packages to Rev. Mike Aiken for the Greensboro Food Bank. Donated by Terri and Rob Goldberg, the food packages recognize Alexa’s years of study incorporating community service with fellow Temple Emanuel congregants at the Urban Ministry, as well as the Hot Dish and Hope program at First Presbyterian Church.

The first annual “Groove Jam” to benefit Greensboro Urban Ministry was held on August 11. Over 200 people came together at Doodad Farm for a day of music to help support the Greensboro Urban Ministry. The Groove Jam collected 600 pounds of food and over $1,000 in cash donations.

Fall Food Drives Held for Urban Ministry

Because of a food stamp computer glitch at the Department of Social Services in May and June as well as the continuing economic hurricane, many more families came to Urban Ministry over the summer for emergency food orders. In the summer of 2011, 3,507 families received emergency food; this past summer, we helped 4,699 families! Thanks to a generous community, Urban Ministry was able to fill all these food orders, but our stock of food is in great need of replenishment.

Leadership Greensboro Seniors, with the help of volunteers from many area congregations, sponsored grocery store food drives for the Greensboro Urban Ministry. In September and October, volunteers were stationed at local Harris Teeter, Lowes Food, Bestway and Food Lion stores. Volunteers came from forty-one participating congregations and the Retired Federal Employee Association. WFMY’s Food-2-Families and Wellspring Retirement Community once again served as our presenting sponsors for the drive.

To start a food drive for Greensboro Urban Ministry, contact Val Marshall at (336) 553-2672 or marshall@guministry.org.
Larry worked for over twenty years in the construction industry before a work-related impairment, the loss of his hearing from prolonged exposure to loud noises, caused Larry to lose his job. Unable to hear, Larry was unable to find another job in the only industry in which he had ever worked.

A proud and self-sufficient man, Larry attempted to find employment in another field — even going to vocational rehabilitation. However, Larry was declared disabled by the vocational rehabilitation workers and told to apply for disability. Applying for and receiving disability proved to be a long process during which Larry lost his housing and was forced to enter a homeless shelter. As his allowed time passed at each shelter Larry would take the train to another shelter, moving from Winston-Salem to Greensboro and Burlington in an attempt to stay off of the street.

Finally, Larry found himself at Greensboro Urban Ministry. Says Larry, “Urban Ministry is the only shelter that tries to put a plan together to get you out of the cycle.” While at the Weaver House, Larry worked with our shelter managers and Beyond GUM Housing Case Manager to find housing. Through the Beyond GUM program, Larry's housing and utility deposits were paid and he was able to move into senior housing. With Brent's assistance, Larry then set up a budget to ensure that he never finds himself without a home again.

Settled and with his life on-track again, Larry says that he “feels like [his] purpose is, through [his] experiences, to keep someone from going through what [he] experienced.” And he has plans in place to do just that by volunteering with the Smith Senior Center.

Winter Emergency (WE!) Shelters

BEGINS DECEMBER 1

COME TO OUR WE! COMMUNITY MEETING:
Monday, October 29, 7:00 p.m.
Mt. Zion Baptist Church
1301 Alamance Church Road

Find out how you can help WE! Provide emergency overflow shelter this winter. Each WE! site will serve 10-24 homeless people every night from December through March.

Volunteer training will be held at the Women’s Resource Center, 628 Summit Avenue, November 10 & November 17 (Saturdays), 9 a.m. to noon.

Sites this year are West Market Street United Methodist, Mt. Zion Baptist, Grace Community, Pleasant Garden Baptist, FaithStep Ministries, and the YWCA of Greensboro. Fanta Dorley serves as this year’s WE! Coordinator.
As a retiree, Archie wanted to do something to help others. So he went to The Volunteer Center where he was offered several ideas, but was ultimately drawn to Greensboro Urban Ministry, where he had been a long time financial supporter.

Archie shares that he felt that Urban Ministry “did a good job reaching out to the homeless and impoverished and [he] wanted to be a part of that.” Through volunteering as a greeter and then qualifying individuals for food assistance, Archie has been able to work directly with the impoverished and says that he has learned and grown from the experience.

In his present volunteer position, Archie is combining his desire to make a difference with his love of working with computers. Archie says that he feels he is “helping to make [GUM] a success for the community.” Indeed, the support of the community and our many volunteers enable Greensboro Urban Ministry to continue to provide critical services to the community.

### Volunteer Opportunities

#### EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE
Interview clients to assess crisis situations and eligibility for financial assistance

- Must be at least 18, High School Diploma or GED, minimum semester or 6 month commitment, minimum 4 hour shift per week

- HOURS: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-5:00pm

#### PARTNERSHIP VILLAGE
Tutor children ranging in age from elementary to high school; help with homework; assist group leaders with special projects, snacks and other after-school activities

- Must be at least 18, High School Diploma or GED, minimum semester or 6 month commitment, 1 shift per week (Tuesday or Thursday, preferably both days)

- HOURS: Tuesday and Thursday, 3:30pm-5:00pm

#### WEAVER HOUSE NIGHT SHELTER
Assist shelter staff checking-in new guests and clients, interact with clients to assess needs, help with laundry, and provide encouragement

- Must be at least 18, High School Diploma or GED, minimum semester or 6 month commitment, one shift per week

- HOURS: Nightly 6:00pm-9:00pm

*If you are interested in volunteering for the opportunities listed, contact Gail Gore-Lewis, Director Volunteer Services, at (336) 553-2642.*

### Welcome New Divinity School Interns!
Pictured left to right: Rev. Frank Dew, Rev. Helen McLaughlin, Chandler Ragland (Duke Divinity School); Clarence Hunt (Wake Forest Divinity School); Lisa Irwin (Wake Forest Divinity School), and Rev. Mike Aiken.
2012 Greater Greensboro CROP Hunger Walk and Run

It was a great day for a run (or walk) on Sunday, October 14th, as Greensboro came out to help fight hunger and support the Greater Greensboro CROP Hunger Walk. Despite Greensboro remaining one of the most food insecure areas in the state with unemployment numbers well over the national average, more than 6,000 walkers and runners helped to raise over $200,000 to combat hunger locally and globally.

Twenty-five percent of the monies raised will go to Greensboro Urban Ministry’s Potter’s House Community Kitchen. Operating 364 days a year, Potter’s House serves a hot, nutritious lunch to anyone who asks. With rising food costs and increased need in the community, this money is crucial to the continued operation of the kitchen.

The remaining 75% of funds raised will go to Church World Service (CWS), an international organization that works with partners (such as Greensboro Urban Ministry) to eradicate hunger and poverty and to promote peace and justice around the world. Working in the US when natural disasters strike and with aid efforts in such countries as Kenya, Iraq, Guatemala, and Honduras, just to name a few, CWS is one of the first to arrive when there is a need and the last to leave. Their goal is to provide not only immediate assistance, but to make a lasting difference by providing communities with the means to obtain fresh water and the skills to grow crops and practice trades which will provide for their families for years to come.

Working together, we can stop hunger. The Greensboro community took a large step toward that goal. For more information on how to become involved with future CROP Walks or to make a donation, please visit www.greatergreensborocrophungerwalk.org.

Holiday Fund Supports Thanksgiving & Christmas Dinners for Thousands

For 24 years, a dedicated band of volunteers has served up a complete Thanksgiving dinner — from turkey and mashed potatoes to pumpkin pie — for the city’s homeless, hungry, homebound, and elderly poor; over 4,000 meals are served each year. In 2010, Bender’s Tavern owner Anna Freiberg started a Christmas Meal in the same tradition for the same population. Greensboro Urban Ministry provides the kitchen facilities and dining room, but funds to support the dinners come directly from the community. It’s easy to give—and every bit helps.

GET INVOLVED! GIVING IS EASY. Gifts can be made by check to The Holiday Fund c/o Community Foundation of Greater Greensboro or in person at Foundation Place at 330 South Greene Street, Suite 100, Greensboro NC 27401. You can also give online at www.cfgg.org, select Give Online, Donation Information, Designation: Thanksgiving/Holiday Fund.

2012 Calendar of Events

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Memorials
AUGUST 2012

Charity Armstrong
    Sherrell & Richard Ferrell

June Boothe
    Robert & Nancy Paxton

Edwin Chandler, Jr.
    Deborah Chandler

Leonard Cranford
    Paul & Duilla Harkins

Matthew Cranford
    Forrest & Barbara Cranford

Walkiria Cruz
    Luis Cruz

Paul Fiore
    Nancy W. Smith

Stanley Godwin
    Jean Wyrick

Doris Ann Gruble
    Bill Gruble

Nelle Head
    Ruby Gray

Joseph Hudgins
    Martha Harris

Wink Jenkins
    Macauley Aron
    Nancy Schiltz

Obie Kallam
    Alma Kallam

Hunter Kepley
    Ron & Janice Butler

Virginia Kirkman
    Christopher & Laura Tew

Owen Kite
    Leslie & Bill Chestnutt

Mary & Joseph Kolk
    Robert & Yvonne Culp

John McAlexander
    Gene & Marlene Baruch

Richard McGrath
    Sarah Gorrell

Jon Meadows
    Jan (Jeanette) Meadows

Martha & Fred Montgomery
    Helen Davidson

Dorothy Moore
    Gloria Hall
    William Herring
    Rusty & Debbie Hoffman
    Deana Lybrand
    Gary & Jean Mabe
    Catherine McLean
    Karen Summers

Mac & Louise Moore
    David & Kathy Crowe

Alice Mylett
    Stephen & Bette Nusser

Morris Nichols
    Kay Jones

P.J. & Edie O’Lochlainn
    Eileen Miller

Kenneth Page, Sr.
    Lolita C. Page

Jennifer & Harold Page
    Betty Jean Page

Arthur Pekar
    Susan & Robert Good

Cheryl Owens Phillips
    Gary & Susan Smith

Katherine Phillips
    Starling & Ann Owens

Kemp Reece
    Barbara Cone

Randy Silvers
    Lucille Amos
    Ruth Hamilton
    Mary Holland
    Kenneth & Virginia Karb
    Ruth Lind
    Robert & Nancy Paxton
    Carla Sappenfield
    Mary Sappenfield
    Nancy W. Smith
    Nancy S. Waldrop

Carl Stanford
    Pollard Stanford

Bill Stephanz
    John & Sarah Sherrill

Stanley Tanger
    Barbara Cone

Nicka T. Thornton
    Chuck & Ann Freeman

Bee Vaughan
    Rose Chamblee
    Kathryn Remmey

Nathaniel Villines
    Lizzie Villines

Tony Wood
    Sarah & Calvin Forrester

We compile the lists in this report carefully. Any errors or omissions are inadvertent. If you find that your name has been omitted, please accept our apology. We would be grateful if you would notify us of any corrections. Call Crystal Mercer at (336) 553-2638.

ESTATE PLANNING
Remember Greensboro Urban Ministry in your will and other estate plans. For more information, contact Rev. Mike Aiken, (336) 553-2639 or aiken@guministry.org

CITY, STATE, COUNTY AND FEDERAL EMPLOYEES!
You can designate your pledge to Greensboro Urban Ministry through the following:

• State Employees
  Combined Campaign (charity code 1511)

• Combined Federal Employees Campaign (charity code 58975)

• City/County Employees Campaign (write in “GUM” with United Way Campaign)
Sponsor Program
AUGUST 2012

The Urban Ministry Sponsor Program is a great way for you to honor a friend or loved one for a special occasion such as a birthday, anniversary, wedding, or graduation while supporting the work of Urban Ministry. It’s easy to become a sponsor for a day, a week or a month. For more information, contact Rev. Mike Aiken at (336) 553-2639 or aiken@guministry.org.

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POTTER’S HOUSE TABLE:
Helen Davidson: One Week
Kay Thompson: One Week

PARTNERSHIP VILLAGE:
Joe & Chris Warriner: Family, One Week