

Connecticut in Mission

Welcome to the Missions section of this newsletter. Our District has supported and continues to support many missionaries around the world. You will hear stories of missionaries and their ministries and see ways to be connected and support them.



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1. CT Team to Puerto Rico

Our first rebuilding team from the CT District has already returned from Puerto Rico. (It was the 9th team to go from our Conference). There were 11 on the team, representing Prospect UMC in Bristol, New Milford UMC, Hamden Plains UMC, and Memorial UMC in Avon. Expecting to work on a new roof we were surprised to learn that the work assignment was to install windows, doors, electricity lines, tiling, bathroom fixtures and plenty of painting. With the guidance of a foreman at each site and an interpreter, the two sites were completed ahead of schedule! Like usual, our teams developed quick bonds and though the week may have seemed long at first, we soon wished we could have stayed together longer! [Click on this video to see our work week and maybe even see some people you know \(or type Rebuilding Puerto Rico CT District on youtube.com\)](#)!

The CT District is sending another team June 22-29, and has another one scheduled for October 17-24, 2019. We already have 6 signed up for the June week and 4 for the October week! If you would like to be on a team, send someone on the team, or support a team, just contact me! I will get you connected. Additionally, if you know anyone with general construction experience, that might like this experience, they would be most helpful on such a team. They don't even have to be a Methodist! I am happy to talk to you or anyone with questions.

2. Kits

My **second** topic this month is to talk about 'Kits'. Last year our District led the way, delivering the most Hygiene kits to Annual Conference! 1272, to be exact!! If your church plans to bring Hygiene Kits again this year, [ask that you review the instructions found here \(or type UMCOR relief supply kits on google.com\)](#). While simple, a lot of kits received are not assembled according to the instructions. Every kit matters, and is greatly appreciated! Let's do this!

3. Missionaries

The **third** topic I want to address is about Missionaries. Many churches in our conference have relationships with missionaries around the world. Regularly we have the opportunity to host a missionary, hear their story, offer them support and be in mission together. In April, John N'day from Mozambique was supposed to visit our District. Unfortunately he could not obtain a visa and is hoping to come in the Fall of 2019 instead. We ARE expecting Rev. John Calhoun in late June/early July. He is an elder in our conference serving in Ukraine. He is interested in spending time with congregations like yours. You might invite him to an event, host a meal highlighting him or include him at a small group such as a Men's Fellowship meeting. All you need to do is let me know and I will help make the connection.

If you wish to learn more about getting to know and/or supporting a missionary, in any number of cultures, locations, and services around our globe, I would be happy share information and help you establish a connection.

In Mission together,

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