

"Loving Our City" PARTNERS PAGE

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First Presbyterian has always been a church who "shows up." We have a history of leaning in rather than running away from challenging circumstances. Many of you might be wondering how to serve the most vulnerable in our community during this pandemic. Please see below for updates from several of our partner ministries.

Antioch Partners (Eric Stone) | theantiochpartners.org/stone



Updated 4/30

Eric and his family are all doing well and continue to serve in Guatemala. They report that working through the COVID-19 restrictions has not been too cumbersome as of yet, however, they are beginning to see a spike in the number of cases. The women's sewing ministry has received orders from the government, orphanages, and other local businesses to produce mask. They are being paid very well and most of the ladies are being able to pay off their sewing machines, as well as, generate increased income for their families during this tough time.

To read more about the work of the Stone family, to sign-up for their newsletter, or to make a contribution, please visit their page on The Antioch Partners website using the link provided above.

City with Dwellings | citywithdwellings.org



City with Dwellings is a "first phone call" partner who is actively involved in connecting men and women experiencing homelessness to the available resources in our community. They are actively pursuing "diversion work" to make sure our community members are settling somewhere safe during this time.

Donations Needed:

- Bottled Water
- Paper Towels
- Clorox, Clorox Wipes
- Laundry Detergent
- Men's underwear sizes M-2X
- Women's underwear sizes M-2X
- Socks

Snack Bags

Suggested snacks:

tangerines, grapes, bottled water, granola bars, Vienna sausage, applesauce, crackers, beanie weenies

Please place items in a gallon-size Ziploc bag and include a napkin and plastic utensils.

Donations may be dropped off Monday-Friday between 9-5 at The Community First Center located at 520/530 N. Spring Street, Winston-Salem. Financial donations may be made on the website.

Cook Literacy Model School | wsfcs.k12.nc.us/cookes

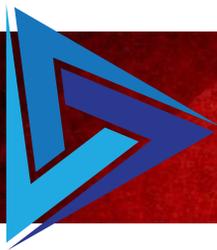


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Please pray for the staff, students and families of Cook School as they navigate the times. To support these families, please contact Margaret Wray (soupwray@earthlink.net) or Jane Aves (janeaves@triad.rr.com).

Donations Needed:

- Food Lion gift cards for \$20-\$25
- Canned Green Beans, Corn, Mixed Fruit
- Canned Tuna or Chicken
- Rice, Instant Potato Mix, Stuffing Mix
- Toilet Paper, Kleenex
- Dish Soap



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Forsyth Jail & Prison Ministry | forsythjpm.org



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In the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, our staff continues to fulfill the mission of carrying hope to men and women as we make daily rounds inside the jail and prison. The chaplains' presence and prayers for offenders and officers alike have a calming effect. Many have asked "how can I help?" There are many ways. "Seeking God who reigns over all things," please join us in praying for an end to the pandemic. Also, remember the offenders, families and facility staff as they all navigate through uncertainties. To keep updated on ministry developments, "like us" on Facebook or follow us on Twitter.

Three Easy Ways to Donate:

- Make your Amazon purchases using the **AmazonSmile** program and select Forsyth Jail & Prison Ministries as your charity.
- For your **United Way** contributions, write-in Forsyth Jail & Prison Ministries, code #2086.
- Visit **ForsythJPM.org** to make an online donation.

Love Out Loud | loveoutloudws.com



Love Out Loud has compiled a helpful list of ways we can love our city and its people well. As of March 24, they are coordinating food delivery volunteers, as well as, specific items for donation to various nonprofits around the city. To access this list, please visit their website.

Mission Emmanuel (Dominican Republic) | missionemanuel.org



Although the school at Cielo remains closed through late May, the Provisión del Cielo water plant remains open for community members and the demand for clean water remains substantial. Please pray for the staff at the water plant, who are working tirelessly and putting themselves at risk in order to provide this essential service. Please also pray for those in the community who purchase our water, that they may encounter Jesus through our work and experience the hope of the gospel during this difficult season.

Financial needs, as well as community needs, remain significant. Please prayerfully consider supporting the work of Mission Emmanuel with a financial gift.

The Outreach Foundation | theoutreachfoundation.org

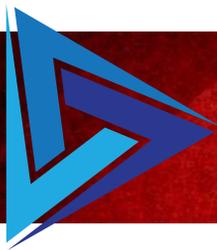


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The Outreach Foundation is in regular contact with partners around the world, many of whom are sharing the upheaval that they are experiencing as the COVID-19 virus, and the response to it, burdens their ministries of medical outreach and compassionate service. As each of us is concerned for family and friends and we seek the welfare of the city in which we live, may we be joyfully compelled to serve our global partners in their need and uncertainty.

You can encourage them, strengthen their witness and demonstrate the unity of the body of Christ by making a gift to The Outreach Foundation's "COVID-19 Emergency Appeal." You may also visit the UPDATES page on their website to learn how generous giving has already been used in Costa Rica, Kenya, Iraq, Brazil, Rwanda, and Turkey.

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Samaritan Ministries | samaritanforsyth.org



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We are so grateful to all who are making a difference through volunteering, financial donations and in-kind support. Please continue to pray for our guests, volunteers and staff during this world-wide crisis as the Soup Kitchen, shelter and Project Cornerstone services remain open with fewer volunteers. As well, adjustments to processes and procedures for safety, while necessary, are costly.

Donations Needed:

Highest priority needs:

- Lysol spray
- Clorox wipes
- Hand sanitizer
- Carry out trays, prefer w/compartments
- 9-inch compartment paper plates
- 12 oz. paper bowls
- 16 oz. plastic cups with flat lids

Additional needs:

- Condiment packets- mustard, ketchup
- Mayonnaise jars
- Ranch dressing
- Seasonings (garlic, pepper, onion)
- Disposable cutlery kits
- Individual bags of chips
- Hamburgers/hot dogs/buns

Items can be dropped off at the back door between 8:30AM and 7:00PM. You may also donate by visiting our Wish List on Amazon. To make a financial donation, please visit our website.

Volunteering:

Due to COVID-19, some of our volunteer requirements have changed. To find out what volunteer opportunities are available, please visit our website.

Senior Services | www.seniorservicesinc.org



Updated 5/1

Joel McIver, V.P. for Community Engagement, has extended his appreciation and gratefulness to the First Presbyterian congregation for prayers, support and partnership. He requests prayer for continued health, safety and well-being for staff, volunteers and the people served by Meals on Wheels.

Donations Needed:

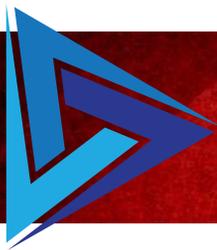
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| • Masks | • Vienna sausages | • Corn |
| • Hand sanitizer | • Pork & Beans | • Peanut butter |
| • Alcohol prep pads | • Soups | • Chef Boyardee products |
| • Canned tuna fish | • Green Beans | |

Donations can be dropped off in the big red box at Meals on Wheels entrance at Senior Services office (2895 Shorefair Dr.) on Mondays and Wednesdays from 10AM – 1PM.

The United Way | forsythunitedway.org



The COVID-19 Response Fund for Forsyth County was established by a partnership between United Way of Forsyth County, The Winston-Salem Foundation, the City of Winston-Salem, Forsyth County and Community Organizations Active in Disaster to support local community members impacted by the novel coronavirus. Please visit the website for to make a donation and to view volunteer opportunities.



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World Relief Triad | worldrelieftriad.org



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Even in challenging times, we continue to serve refugees, immigrants, survivors of human trafficking, and our community here in the Triad. We want to keep you informed of what we've been up to and how you can get involved. We're grateful for your support as we continue to serve together!

To view a list of current donation needs or to volunteer, please visit our website. Another great way to partner with us is by praying.

Prayer requests:

- For wisdom and peace within the refugee and immigrant communities, that they would not fear COVID-19 but be equipped with the knowledge and ability to take necessary precautions while continuing to care for their community members safely.
- For strength and perseverance among our staff who are witnessing the impacts of COVID-19 on our clients and their community, that they would continue to serve well and care for themselves in the midst of caring for others.
- For meaningful connection for those experiencing an increased sense of isolation, that they may receive love and support from neighbors in our welcoming community.
- For health and protection for our community, especially for those who are at high risk.
- For healing and comfort for those who are currently experiencing sickness and loss.
- For provision for those in vulnerable and uncertain economic situations.
- For wisdom and creativity as our staff continues to anticipate and plan for emerging needs among the communities we serve.

YoungLife | forsythcounty.younglife.org



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Praise reports:

- Hiring of two new staff associates plus addition of two new YoungLife committee members.
- Our new YoungLife office, which we're calling the YoungLife Hub.
- YoungLives graduation car parade held in May.

Prayer requests:

- Good health as COVID-19 restrictions are loosened and we can begin meeting in groups <10.
- Financial provision.
- For kids to feel cared for and loved, especially during this time of social distancing.
- Outreach to middle school kids during our time without a WyldLife staff person.
- YoungLives restrictions to be lifted to allow for summer day camps.
- Need for additional YoungLives Mentors.
- Decisions at WFU that will impact our ability to meet & interact with freshmen at the start of the school year.
- Outreach to college students during our time without a YoungLives College staff person.
- For the staff and leadership to stay engaged and find purpose in their work during this time.
- Banquet plans and preparations.
- Golf Tournament – for sponsors to faithfully fulfill their pledges.