



## 2012 ANNUAL REPORT

In 2012, the Stewardship & Missions Board consisted of the following members: Cheryl Snow, Chairperson; Marge Kane, Carole Dusterwinkle, Frank English, Mike Olthof, and Taren Keith.

This past year's special offerings supported by the Stewardship & Missions Board have been:

- March – One Great Hour of Sharing (UCC) \$363
- May – Blanket Sunday (CWS) \$175
- October – Neighbors in Need (UCC) \$160
- December – Christmas Fund (formerly Veterans of the Cross)  
(UCC) - \$158
- Crossroads Children's Home (UCC) - \$401.46

We also received funding for:

- Our Church's Wider Mission (OCWM) (UCC) - \$2,050
- Gideons - \$57
- Pantry - \$2,830
- American Red Cross – Sandy Relief - \$62
- Mission for Area People's Fill the Pill Campaign - \$22

Stewardship & Missions also supported the mission trip to India made by Gail & Leigh Merrill. Thank you to all who made a difference in peoples' lives by donating to these special causes.

Stewardship & Missions together with the trustees and Pastor Wood are responsible for the annual church budget. Keeping in mind the

economic times and rising costs, the budget was once again reduced for the coming year.

The Annual Stewardship Campaign is another activity for which the Stewardship & Missions Board is responsible. This year we once again used the "Whistle Stop" Campaign as the vehicle to receive anticipated giving in time, talents, and monetary pledges. A total of 49 families responded with pledges for 2013 amounting to \$77,050 for the General Fund, \$2,140 for OCWM and \$344 for Capital Improvement. Pledges for 2012 totaled \$73,076 for the General Fund, \$1,525 for OCWM and \$469 for Capital Improvement. Pledges typically represent less than half of the total budget.

In December 2012 the Stewardship & Mission Board made the decision that rather than collecting items for CWS overseas missions, the church family would be asked to donate items during 2013 to area schools and baby pantries. This decision was due to two things:

1. The costs of shipping articles and our reduced budget.
2. The increased need of local families.

Thank you for your generosity in supporting the missions both locally and globally. By working together we can improve the lives of many and make this world a better place.

The Stewardship & Missions Board meets the last Sunday of the month. All are welcome to attend.

Have a blessed year,

Stewardship & Missions Board  
Cheryl Snow, Chairperson