



October 2016 Mission of the Month OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD



What goes into an Operation Christmas Child shoebox is fun. The love that comes out changes lives for eternity.

As an individual or a family lovingly packs a shoebox, they experience the joy of Jesus. When those gift boxes are opened by children overseas, that same love of Jesus transforms the lives of children.

In each shoebox, Samaritan's Purse inserts *The Greatest Journey*, a 12-lesson Bible study, especially for children who receive shoebox gifts. We want to teach the children how to live for Jesus. Then, they can "go make

disciples" (Matthew 28:19), multiplying the Gospel among their family and friends. When these children share the Gospel with family and friends, congregations expand, pastors are inspired, and new churches are planted.

Samaritan's Purse (www.samaritanspurse.org) is a nondenominational, evangelical Christian organization providing spiritual and physical aid to hurting people around the world. Since 1970, Samaritan's Purse has helped meet needs of people who are victims of war, poverty, natural disasters, disease, and famine with the purpose of sharing God's love through His Son, Jesus Christ. The organization serves the Church worldwide to promote the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Shoeboxes will be available in the Narthex starting October 9th. Filled shoeboxes must be returned to the narthex by November 13th. Donations can be included in the Mission envelope in the October 11th bulletins.

'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.'

(Matt 25:40 ESV)

THANK YOU MPLC FOR HELPING TO MAKE THE HUNGER WALK A SUCCESS!

After receiving the last 4 envelopes for the 2016 Hunger Walk this morning, I have been able to total those from Mount Pisgah Lutheran Church & Preschool. Our total this year is **\$1,201!** Thanks to Rick Sanborn for again helping with the Hunger Walk table after early Service, and to Kathy Kirchoefer who was able to help me some after 2nd Service.

A huge thank-you to those who walked: Eleanor Claycomb, Steve & Kathy Kirchoefer, the Maloney family, Dailyn Rappley, Troy McKinney, Brian McKinney, Leah Ryel, Rick & Diane Sanborn (and to Rudy Eidam & Vicki Fisher-Moore, who had wanted to walk).



Thanks to all of you on the Mount Pisgah Lutheran Church & Preschool Team! - Leah Ryel