

Mission Committee Report to the Church Council
Oct. 12, 2016

Honduras Missions Trip Planning: Pat Becker had an opportunity to have dinner with Pastor Péna when he was in Illinois in September. He provided updates on the La Carbonara area including that the CUMC translator, Mario has now married and lives in Puerto Rico. Mario and a team from Puerto Rico have done two additional Mission trips to the La Carbonara. One activity that they did was to distribute water filters. Pastor Péna believes most families in La Carbonara now have these filters. Pat Becker stated that CUMC still hopes to have a medical mission trip to the area in 2017. Pat Becker will be attending a medical mission trip with a team from Wisconsin in March 2017. They are doing a trip to the Danlí area.

In addition, CUMC had a visit from Danielle Glut, her husband and son. They are Missionaries in Honduras that we have sponsored for the last two years. Danielle is a graduate of North Central College and she spoke briefly at both services on August 21.

Mission Trips: In August Dick Legg led a team of four on a weekly trip to Coal City Illinois. The team worked on a house that was damaged in the tornados of 2015.

Habitat for Humanity. The Missions Committee has decided to support the “Church Intentions for Faith Build 2017”. The goal is to have a team from CUMC participate quarterly in this effort. Look for opportunities in the coming months.

Trinity: We continue our monthly support for Trinity and the Cristo Es El Camino ministry. In addition, we collected several bicycles for Trinity over the summer.

Refugee Support: The fourth monthly collection of school supplies was a great success. The Hungry Commission helped by focusing their annual school supply collection for Refugee One. Mary Denear will be a panel speaker at the Refugee One Event “A Workshop for Congregations” on Oct. 23 in Chicago. While CUMC has only been collecting for about a year, on several occasions we have collected more than other congregations.

Feed the Need: The Missions Committee will again sponsor CUMC members to participate in the 2017 event schedules for Feb. 18-19 at North Central College.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Becker
Chair, Missions Committee