

GREAT 8 APPEAL

THE FOLLOWING IS A DESCRIPTION OF THE 8 MISSIONS TO SUPPORT DURING THE GREAT 8 APPEAL WEEKS OF LENT. FOR 2026 THE ELCA HUNGER APPEAL HAS AN ALLOCATED AMOUNT.

BUILDERS OF HOPE (HOUSING MISSION): THE CHURCHES OF COCALICO AND EPHRATA SCHOOL DISTRICTS ARE MEETING THE NEEDS OF PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITY WHO ARE IN HOUSING TRANSITION AND NEED HELP. ADMINISTRATIVE AID BY EASS.

EPHRATA AREA SOCIAL SERVICES: ALL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THIS MISSION HELP PROVIDE SERVICE TO PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITY FOR FOOD, CLOTHING, FUEL, TRANSPORTATION AND MEALS ON WHEELS.

MISSION SUPPORT: THIS YEAR'S SUPPORT IS FOR THE MISSIONS OF SAMANTHA PATSCHKE'S CHURCH IN HONDURAS. WE ARE FOCUSING ON THE SCHOOL MINISTRY PROGRAM: DEVOTIONALS AND SNACKS FOR THE CHILDREN.

PETER'S PORCH: WE SUPPORT FAITH UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH'S EFFORT IN OUR COMMUNITY TO SERVE THOSE CHALLENGED BY FOOD INSECURITY.

ELCA HUNGER APPEAL: THIS GOES TO THE ELCA OR RELIEF FROM HUNGER. OUR ALLOCATED SUPPORT IS \$1,550.00.

LUTHERAN CAMPING CORPORATION: CAMPING IS OPEN TO ALL FAMILY MEMBERS AT NAWAKWA AND KIRCHENWALD DURING SUMMER SEASON. ALSO EMPLOYMENT HELPS YOUNG ADULTS WORK AT CAMP JOBS. WITTEL FARM HOUSE OF PRAYER IS AVAILABLE FOR RETREATS FOR INSTRUCTIONAL CLASSES FOR SYNOD CHURCHES.

SEMINARIAN FUND: HELP SUPPORT SEMINARY STUDENTS WHO HAVE A FAITH RELATIONSHIP WITH MELLINGERS.

MELLINGERS NEEDY FUND: THIS FUND IS IN SUPPORT OF OUR MEMBERS IN DIRE NEED FOR RENT, MEDICINE, BILL PAYMENT, ETC. IT MAY ALSO BE USED FOR AREA RESIDENTS OUTSIDE OF MEMBERSHIP.

PLEASE USE ENVELOPES PROVIDED, MARK YOUR CHOICE(S), USE YOUR ENVELOPE NUMBER IF YOU WANT CREDIT AND DROP IN THE REGULAR OFFERING PLATE. THE **GREAT 8 APPEAL** SUPPLEMENTS THE BUDGETED AMOUNTS FOR HUNGER APPEAL AND MISSION SUPPORT.



Mellingers Great 8 Appeal



**Builders
Of
Hope**



**Mission Support
towards
Sam Patschke's
Church**



**Peter's
Porch**



**Ephrata Area
Social Services**



Seminarian Fund



**Lutheran Camping
Corporation of Central, PA**

