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Matthew 28: 18-20



2021 Missions



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If you can't get in touch with one of these mission teams, you can contact
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jeremyv@mtauburnumc.org



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The Boaz Project



The Boaz Project inspires and equips leaders around the globe to care for orphans in their communities, and you can help! When you offer your prayers, finances, and time to The Boaz project, you provide ongoing humanitarian aid, educational support, baby nurturing, Bible Discovery Classes, as well as birthday and Christmas gifts to vulnerable children in a manner that supports their attachment to their long-term caregivers. You also offer encouragement, financial support, and trauma-competent training to those caregivers.

To learn more, visit boazproject.org

Chi Alpha



The Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship at Indiana University is a campus ministry that is dedicated to reconciling college students to Christ to transform the university, the marketplace, and the world. The goal of Chi Alpha is to invest in students with Christian backgrounds, share the Gospel with those who have not heard, reach international students with the Gospel, and raise up future leaders into a life of discipleship. Our heart is to engage college students through spirit-filled communities of prayer, worship, fellowship, discipleship, and mission so that they become disciple-makers and life-long followers of Jesus. The college campus is the most strategic mission field in the world, because we have the opportunity to impact thousands of students from all over the country and the world for Christ before they leave just a few years later and become the next generation that will impact the marketplace and the world. We want to see every tribe, tongue, and nation reached with the Gospel, and that can all start by reaching college students!

To learn more, visit chialpha.com or email Alexis Rasmussen at alexismrasmussen@gmail.com

Christ Youth Bible Club



The Christ Youth Bible Club engages local elementary schools with the Gospel and Bible stories. In Center Grove, Bible clubs meet weekly before or after school. Mt. Auburn supports CYBC financially and with our time. Prior to COVID, Katie Johnston, Sharon Beck and Pastor Jeremy Van Deman helped with CYBC during the 2019-2020 school year.

To learn more, visit cybc.clubexpress.com email partnering@cybcweb.com

Congregational Missions

Persons of all ages at Mt. Auburn's Stones Crossing and Trafalgar Campus enjoy supporting missions. The Mt. Auburn family has supplied over 2,800 bags or 2.8 tons of food for students in need at ISOM and Northeast Elementary through our Adopt-a-School food drive. Along with regular food drives, we sponsor a recurring luggage drive to support children who have been removed from their homes due to neglect or abuse. These items help children in child protection services foster care through our local department of children services offices.

Mt. Auburn also provides students and adults with ways to serve their community through serve days and mission trips. Our 2021 Trafalgar Serve Day is April 17 and our 2021 Stones Crossing Serve Day is May 1. Our middle school students also helped our community through a local service projects in March. In 2021, our high school students have the opportunity to go on two mission trips this year. One to McAllen, Texas to help out a Christian school in a largely Hispanic community. The other in Memphis, Tennessee to assist Street Reach Ministries.

Mt. Auburn ensures our congregation is cared for through Parish Care programs like Loving Stitches, Caring Card Ministry and more. Our goal is to let the congregation know they are loved and cared for, as well as reaching out to those that have not yet accepted Christ into their heart.

We are all missionaries. Feel free to join us in any of our upcoming congregational missions!



To learn more, visit mtauburnumc.org or email our Missions Team at missions@mtauburnumc.org

Faith Community Fellowship



Reverend Manubhai and Roshan Mecwan serve as church planters in Central Indiana, throughout the United States and in India. Rev. Mecwan's passion for the Gospel is infectious, and through his ministry, thousands have been led into a relationship with Jesus Christ.

Mt. Auburn has partnered with Rev. Mecwan since 2010. Mt. Auburn financially supports Rev. Mecwan's global ministry, and several from the congregation have accompanied him to India. Rev. Mecwan has continued to disciple house churches during the pandemic in India and in the United States via digital communications. In an effort to maintain personal contact overseas, Rev. Mecwan hired an evangelist to encourage house churches in India.

To learn more, email Rev. Mecwan at fcfindy2018@gmail.com

FCA Johnson County

"FCA's vision is to see the world transformed by Jesus Christ through the influence of coaches and athletes. My team is on a mission to lead every coach and athlete into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ and His church. I focus on serving our local community, Johnson County, by engaging, equipping and empowering coaches and athletes to unite, inspire and change the world through the gospel." - Mackenzie Anders



To learn more, visit fcajoco.org or email Mackenzie Anders at manders@fca.org

Gideon's International

Gideons International is a body of believers dedicated to making the Word of God available to everyone and, together with the local church, reaching souls for Christ. Today, Gideons International has taken more than 2 billion Scriptures in more than 95 languages to 200 countries, territories, and possessions across the globe.



The Gideons International
**Spreading the
Good News**

Gideons International exists as an advocate for the lost, to bring them the saving knowledge of the Word through not only placing and distributing Scriptures, but also through personal witnessing and by associating together for service. Mt. Auburn financially supports Gideons International and several congregational members who serve with Gideons International.

To learn more, visit gideons.org or email Mike Alexa at alexa.ml@att.net or Damon Disch at damondisch@aol.com

Habitat for Humanity



Habitat for Humanity of Johnson County, Inc. is an ecumenical Christian organization dedicated to working in partnership with families in Johnson County under the conviction that every person should have a simple, decent, affordable place to live where they feel safe and have dignity.

Mt. Auburn participates in a Habitat build every other year with other churches from around Johnson County and has a project scheduled for 2021. Mt. Auburn supports the build financially and through volunteer hours.

To learn more, visit habitatjohnsoncounty.org or Jerry McRoberts at jlmcbob@sdcglobal.net or Mike Alexa at alexa.ml@att.net

Interchurch Food Pantry

The Interchurch Food Pantry of Johnson County provides people throughout all of Johnson County with food at no cost to them. Centrally located on the north side of Franklin, the guidelines for who may benefit from the Pantry have been modified during the pandemic. At this time, clients may visit the Pantry weekly, if needed. a drive-through delivery process is efficient and provides food delivery safely. Produce is made available for clients to self-select what appeals to them. The Pantry also use a menu shopping checklist so the food received is what our clients choose for themselves. Delivery is available for homebound Johnson County residents. The Pantry is grateful to the church, individual and business partners and strategic partners who donate. Mt. Auburn continues to be a valued partner. The Pantry is 100% volunteer staffed.



Hours are: Mon. - Fri.
noon - 3:00 p.m.,
211 Commerce Dr.,
Franklin, IN 46131

To learn more, visit jcpantry.org or Carol Phillips at pantryjcmanager@gmail.com

Jesus Film Project



The Jesus Film Project, a ministry of CRU, is an international evangelistic outreach. Those on staff with the Jesus Film Project bring the story of Jesus to screens around the world. They accomplish this mission in several ways: write, shoot, and cut new films to introduce Jesus to the world. With the help of the Bible translation community, they translate "JESUS" and other films into new languages - sometimes before the Bible is printed in those languages! Mt. Auburn supports Tony and Dianna Speziale's work with the Jesus Film.

Dianna and Tony have recently relocated to Central Florida to be closer to the CRU headquarters in Orlando. As soon as COVID travel restrictions are removed, they will be traveling to Papua New Guinea to translate the Jesus Film into the people's heart language.

To learn more, visit give.cru.org/0968610 or email Tony Speziale at anthony.speziale@jesusfilm.org

Kairos Prison Ministry



Kairos Prison Ministry International, Inc. (Kairos) is a lay-led, interdenominational Christian ministry in which men and women volunteers bring Christ's love and forgiveness to prisoners and their families. The Kairos programs take the participants on a journey that demonstrates the love and forgiveness of Jesus Christ. The programs involve a structured model that includes the weekend experience, followed by guests or participants gathering regularly for accountability, support and prayer.

Several members from Mt. Auburn participate with Kairos bringing the Gospel to several central Indiana prisons.

To learn more, visit kairospriorministry.org or email Deb Wright at debrite@comcast.net

Kuandaa International



Through Kuandaa International, Mt. Auburn helps to support the mission work of Dr. Jim Hertel. Dr. Hertel served as Mt. Auburn's senior pastor for 25 years, retiring in 2014.

After retiring, Dr. Hertel continued the mission work he began in Africa while serving as Mt. Auburn's pastor. Mt. Auburn supports Dr. Hertel's vision for Village Church Planting throughout Uganda. Through Dr. Hertel's leadership, and his partnership with Ugandan pastors, thousands have come to the know Christ as Savior, as churches have been planted throughout Uganda.

Dr. Hertel has broadened his focus on village church planting to include having wells dug at the sites of the church plants. This strategy provides an opportunity for people to hear of the living water offered through Jesus Christ as they pump clean water. Children's activity books that teach children how to pray are also distributed. This ministry was initiated and developed by Dale Bronson and Gene Bertolet. At least 30,000 books have been distributed.

In January 2020, Paul Sanders teamed up with Foundations of Hope in Carmel to install four solar-powered water purifier systems at a school, orphanage, and two churches. Three new water wells were also being dug and were dedicated in February when Dr. Hertel returned to Uganda. Ten thousand more children activity books were printed and distributed. Dr. Hertel and team are strategizing their first post-COVID trip to Africa. Mt. Auburn supports these ministry efforts, both through financial support and mission teams.

To learn more, visit kuandaa.org or email Jim Hertel at jwesleyhertel@msn.com

Lord's Locker

The Lord's Locker located in Trafalgar, IN, only a few blocks from Mt. Auburn Trafalgar Campus, provides people with support for their physical (food, clothing, etc.) and spiritual needs for the purpose of growing in Jesus Christ. Mt. Auburn often collects food for the Lord's Locker or helps through service projects.



To learn more, visit facebook.com/TheLordsLockerForSuchATimeAsThis or email Emmalea Butler at 1servinghim2@gmail.com

Mt. Auburn Meal Ministry

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MEAL MINISTRY



Mt. Auburn Meal Ministry (MAMM) began in 2016 as the fruition of an idea developed by Latheda Noonan, Wendy Sanders, and the Jacobson Life Group. MAMM provides dinner and prayer on Thursday nights (except the third Thursday) at Mt. Auburn to those in need throughout the local community. Many congregation members support MAMM by volunteering with food preparation, serving, prayer ministry, and clean-up. They continued to serve drive-thru meals throughout the pandemic. From January - March in-person: 358 people served; March - December drive-thru: 2,039 meals served; 37 meal nights scheduled in 2021. Mamm offers "Upper Room" devotionals twice a month, communion is offered once a month and prayer is offered every time.

To learn more, visit mtauburnumc.org or email LaTheda Noonan at latheda56@gmail.com

myLIFEspeaks



myLIFEspeaks is passionate about developing a Christ-Centered Culture one LIFE at a time through Family Empowerment, Educational Excellence, and Public Health Impact. myLIFEspeaks is located in the village of Neply, Haiti, but serves the surrounding areas as well and is working to reach a more global level.

Mt. Auburn supports Jonès and Bethany (Appleton) Joseph who serve alongside myLIFEspeaks in Haiti.

To learn more, visit mylifespeaks.com or email Bethany (Appleton) Joseph at bethany@mtlifespeaks.com

Amanda and Daniel Buck - One Mission Hungary



Transforming lives in dynamic communities- this is the vision of the One Mission Society Hungary team. "We believe God desires to be in relationship with everyone and for that reason we are passionate about reaching Hungarians. However, we realize we simply cannot do it on our own, we must equip and entrust Hungarians to share the life-changing Good News with others as well."

Amanda and Daniel serve with the team in Budapest, Hungary utilizing their passion for connecting the sacred and the secular to tangibly share the love of God with everyone they meet, empowering and equipping Hungarians to take ministry into their own hands. The duo wear a few different hats on the team from a deep focus on Disciple-making to strengthen the local church, to Social Entrepreneurship in order to sustainably maintain the financial side of ministry, all the way to behind the scenes work in Communications to encourage those all over the globe to live into the calling God has on their life. The Bucks are passionate about living and sharing what they call "the upside down" Kingdom of God here on earth right now. Mt. Auburn supports One Mission Society Hungary through our financial support of Amanda and Daniel Buck.

To learn more, visit onemissionsociety.org/missionaries/detail/Buck or email Daniel Buck at dbuck@onemissionsociety.org

Sandy Newcomer - Men for Missions

Men for Missions (MFM), a ministry of One Mission Society, is a dynamic movement born of God's Spirit in the hearts of laymen. Through MFM, thousands of men (and women) and their families, from various church affiliations and backgrounds, find a channel for harnessing and releasing personal skills and abilities in practical, direct missionary involvement.



By participation in ministry teams, they catch new zeal for people without Christ, at home as well as abroad. MFM stands alongside One Mission Society in evangelism, training leaders, planting churches and partnerships with OMS-related churches. The challenge before us is the task of reaching the lost with the Gospel, sustaining the vision of a world that needs Jesus Christ through involvement and fellowship and providing an avenue of voluntary missionary service.

Mt. Auburn has partnered with Men for Missions in various ways since 2011. Mt. Auburn has sent multiple short term mission teams to Haiti and Colombia, and financially supports missionary Sandy Newcomer who is on staff with Men for Missions.

Tom Overton - Global Ministries

Tom serves as the Senior Director of Church Development with One Mission Society. The Church Development team:

- Work closely with Regional Directors and other ministry leaders to best support the needs on OMS fields regarding the development and reproduction of healthy churches.
- Networks with OMS partner denominations and church networks to add value and provide resources that help churches impact their communities, develop leaders, reproduce churches and send out missionaries.
- Brings coordination, cohesion and unity to the various functions of OMS, including training and theological education, that assist with church development.

To learn more, visit onemissionsociety.org or email Tom Overton at toverton@onemissionsociety.org



Tonya Overton - HOPE61



HOPE61, a ministry of OMS, fights human trafficking through prevention. Inspired by Isaiah 61:1, "The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me to bring good news to the poor; he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound."

HOPE61 trains and mobilizes the worldwide church, particularly the large network of OMS-related national churches, to address the issues of human trafficking and human vulnerabilities to become victims, traffickers and buyers. HOPE61 is a global ministry, offering training throughout the United States and globe.

Mt. Auburn financially supports HOPE61, and is blessed to have the associate director of HOPE61, Tonya Overton, along with her husband Tom, both on staff with HOPE61, as congregational members.

To learn more, visit onemissionsociety.org/hope or email Tonya Overton at overtonfamily@att.net

Shepherd's Heart International

Annie Rich served in Kenya with Shepherd's Heart International following her college graduation in May 2020.

Her service in Kenya was complicated by the pandemic, but she spent approximately half a year with Kenyan girls telling and showing them through her actions each day that they are loved and chosen by God and that they have a father in Him. She loves the people of Kenya and wants all of them to know what the Gospel really says, and for them to be restored.

To learn more, visit shepherdsheartinternational.org or email Annie Rich at annie.rich17@gmail.com



Steve & Rebecca Appeal for the Unreached



There are communities around the world that have little or no access to the Gospel. After 12 years of marriage, Steve and Rebecca are called to bring the Gospel to one of these communities in North Africa. The dominant religion is Islam and Christian evangelism is illegal. Most of those in North Africa do not know about the redemptive work that Christ has done and have had no chance to receive this gift.

Our team's goal is to be a witness and shine the light of Jesus in the community. We will be immersing into the culture by learning the heart language, shopping at the local open-air markets, walking with our kids to the local schools, taking the taxis, showing hospitality, and lending a helping hand. The team chooses to honor the North African's cultural preferences by carefully choosing how we eat and dress.

To learn more, email Mt. Auburn's mission team at missions@mtauburnumc.org

Trinity UMC

Trinity United Methodist Church in Jinja, Uganda is a sister church to Mt. Auburn UMC. Trinity Hall bears its name as a reminder to our lasting partnership in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.



Trinity UMC's current church building was constructed as a result of Mt. Auburn tithing 10 percent of the money raised to build the O'Dell Family Life Center. Mt. Auburn continues to support Trinity by financially supporting their pastor, Julius Mugabi.

To learn more, visit youtube.com/watch?v=Txfl77rKN7M or text Julius Mugabi on Whats App at 256 784 996288



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Fast Track Back to School

Every year Mt. Auburn partners with other local churches for Fast Track Back to School. Fast Track offers an opportunity for local churches to provide school supplies to local children as they begin the new school year. The cost of school supplies can be cost prohibitive for some families, and Fast Track helps to lessen the strain of this yearly back-to-school cost. Mt. Auburn begins collecting donations in July of each year. Participation temporarily paused due to pandemic.



To learn more, email Maureen Laraway at maureen.laraway@ttiinc.com

Operation Christmas Child



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Every November, Mt Auburn collects "shoe boxes" filled with toys and gifts for children in need around the globe. In 2020, Mt. Auburn packed 115 boxes, compared to 178 in 2019. Mt. Auburn partners with Samaritan's Purse for Operation Christmas Child as a means to help spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ globally.

To learn more, visit samaritanaspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/ or Lora Rich at lorarich@gmail.com

P.R.A.Y. Program



Programs of Religious Activities with Youth (P.R.A.Y.) is a non-profit organization that fosters the Christian growth of children, youth, and families through churches and youth serving agencies. The P.R.A.Y. Program is designed to bring children, youth, and families to Christ.

Mt. Auburn offers P.R.A.Y. as an outreach in our Scouting community. In the 2019-2020 academic year, we offered two of the P.R.A.Y. curriculums: God and Family (4th to 5th Grade), and God and Church (for older students)

The Salvation Army Bell Ringing

Each Christmas season, Mt. Auburn encourages volunteers to participate in The Salvation Army's annual "Bell Ringing" campaign. The money raised provides meals for the hungry, nights of shelter, life skills counseling, gifts for kids on Christmas, and much more. In 2020, we had 23 ringers. Sign-ups begin in November at the Go Serve table or go online to registertoring.com



To learn more, email Susan Porter at rrporter1984@sbcglobal.net or Rob Stiles at rob_stiles@uscsalvationarmy.org

United Way Christmas Angels Project



Every December, Mt. Auburn partners with United Way of Johnson County to provide Christmas presents to families in need. Mt. Auburn members deliver presents to the families, provide the families with food for a Christmas meal, and have prayer with the family. In 2020, Mt. Auburn invited families to pick up presents for their children at the church. Our congregation helped 32 families, including 83 children.

To learn more, email Maureen Laraway at mauren.laraway@ttiinc.com



World Vision is the largest non-governmental provider of clean water in the world. Last year World Vision reached over 4.6 million new people with clean water. World Vision aspires to be like Jesus, so they serve all people, regardless of their religion, ethnicity or gender.

Mount Auburn Team World Vision, a team of several persons from and related to Mt. Auburn and coordinated by Gretchen Beaman, was formed in 2017 to run/walk as a World Vision team to raise awareness and funding for clean water, improved sanitation, and hygiene to those in need around the globe. In 2019, this team trained for and participated in the Indianapolis Monumental Marathon/Half-Marathon race, raising close to \$15,000. In 2020 they participated in the Indianapolis Monumental Marathon/Half-Marathon race on November 7, 2020, raising money, in order to continue to help provide clean water internationally. Mt. Auburn teams, including the 30-Hour Famine and VBS children, have raised \$105,400 between 2007-2019. In 2020, the team raised \$19,661.

To learn more, visit teamworldvision.org or email Gretchen Beaman at grbeaman@yahoo.com

What's missing here? YOU!

contact one of these mission
teams or email us at
missions@mtauburnumc.org to
get involved!

**...and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem,
and in all Judea; and to the ends of the
earth. Acts 1:8**



**Mt. Auburn Church Stones
Crossing & Trafalgar Campus**