SHORT STOPS SPRING 2018

<u>Manheim, PA</u> - Trinity EC Church- Travis High traveled to Corpus Christi, TX. Travis' employer, Signature Custom Cabinetry along with Christ in Action (located in Ephrata) sent a team of ten people to provide disaster relief. Photo

<u>Manheim, PA</u> - Trinity E.C. Church - In May of 2017, I, along with 17 others, went to the Dominican Republic for a week. Throughout the week, we learned more about how Compassion works and what goals they strive for and how they meet the needs of the children, not only physically but spiritually. We led Vacation Bible School on two separate days, where we planned games, music and crafts for the children. We visited a local church and got to experience their church service and some of our group helped to lead worship. Seven members of our group currently sponsor children in the DR and they got to meet their child, which was an amazing opportunity! It was truly amazing to see God at work in the Dominican Republic. Katrina Schell photo

<u>Manheim, PA -</u> Trinity has a Mini-Mission Work Trip planned for June 17-20, 2018. The trip is an opportunity for Youth to take part in work for a mission. We are encouraging our young people to "give back" and "pay it forward" as a way to meet the Lord's commandment to love one another. For many years we have assisted Twin Pines Camp prepare for their Summer camping season by completing miscellaneous tasks such as painting, path clearing, landscaping, even a swimming pool repair. It is always a working time but also fun! - photos

<u>Manheim Trinity</u> will once again join in the Manheim Project. This is a common time frame for many local churches to assist folks in the Manheim community. It is an arm of a larger project organized by the Lancaster County group Love, Inc. The goal is to show our love for our neighbors in the local mission field. Volunteers are assigned to repairs and assistance (based on their skill level) for anything from a new roof or wheelchair ramp to yard work. Volunteers come together to accomplish the tasks. We even have folks who plan their vacation time to take part in this assistance project. The best part of this project is the relationships we gain in the community and the blessings our volunteers receive. – Loren Gochnauer

<u>Willow Street, PA</u> – Grace Community - (1-26-18) Fred Stehman was on a mission trip with SportXChange International to Panama for 10 days. He traveled with a Masters Ministry group, playing Fast pitch Softball and sharing the Gospel with the fans attending the games. They traveled from town to town, playing softball and engaging in other ministry activities as opportunities arose. Fred was suited up as player/coach mostly 3rd base coach. photos? <u>Willow Street, PA</u> – Grace Community is taking a group of youth and adults to serve with C.E. Mission Weeks in Fayette County, West VA. The group will do home repairs for the rural poor in that area. The dates are June 24-30. – Rev. Addison Roberts

<u>Clarion, Riverhill Church</u> – Five people are going to Brazil to work with the Roofs in June. The group is being led by Michael Reed from The River EC Church in Clarion

<u>Sinking Spring, PA</u> -Community EC will be traveling to Boston MA from July 14-21, 2018. We will be working with Praying Pelican Missions for a week. The team will consist of teens and adult leaders. We will be ministering to the homeless in shelters and on the street. We will also be doing a sports camp for kids. A local high school basketball coach runs the clinic - we will assist him. We also have the opportunity to do some small home repair projects (painting, plumbing, painting, etc.). Boston prides itself on intellectualism and is considered one of the largest unreached people groups in the country. We have an incredible opportunity to minister to the community in practical hands on ways. – Rev. Tim Sanger

<u>Reedsville, PA</u> - Bethesda EC Church: Twelve adults will be forming a work team through Mennonite Disaster Services to Ft. Myers, FL. The work will take place the week of March 11th, and consist of continued Hurricane Irma clean-up and repair. Work will consist of roofing, drywall, insulation, flooring, trim, painting and the installation of kitchen cabinets and vanities. - Rev. Mark Brooks

<u>Temple, PA</u> - The youth group at Faith EC Church is planning a mission trip to West Virginia with Christian Endeavor. We will be going the first week of July. We are excited and ready to the work of the Lord. This is our 4th mission trip. The exciting part this year is that some of our adults are interested in participating. Our youth group consists of 7 students. We are looking forward to this year's mission trip. -Tammy Schaeffer, Youth Group Leader

<u>Fogelsville, PA</u> - This year the Youth from Hope Community Church will be doing a local work camp. For a week in August they will camp at a local farm and spend their days doing home improvements for elderly members of the congregation. The week will close with a banquet at the church for all the residents and the team. - Pastor Ken Kalisz

<u>Pitman, PA</u> - ? EC church is sending a team of families and teens to Big Creek Missions July 8-14 in Bear Branch, Kentucky. We have 15 on our team. The three areas in which we can serve are construction, community outreach and children's ministry. - Pat Hummel

<u>Royersford, PA</u> -Trinity Lighthouse Church will be supporting three mission trips this year:

- June 11-22 Palowice, Poland to build a 3rd story on an existing church that will be used to house and minister to addicts.
- July 8-16 Palowice, Poland for our youth to help in an American English Camp where 200-300 kids will be taught English and hear the Gospel.
- Also in July Ebina, Japan to support one of our denominations church plant at the Grace Garden Church near Yokohama. We still have room to add another person or two to the group that is going to Japan. If you are interested and would like additional information, please contact us at: Outreach@TrinityLighthouse.org.

<u>Steelstown, PA</u> - St. John's E.C. Church - The youth ministry is planning to send 11 students from the ages of 12-16, and 4 adults to serve in Kentucky this summer. The team is scheduled to work with Big Creek Missions, located in Bear Branch, Kentucky, from June 23-June 30. They will have the opportunity to use their skills and abilities to serve in children's ministries, community ministries, and construction projects. – Joel Wolfe