

CONFERENCE ADVANCE SPECIALS

Amistad

91 W. Main St., Freehold, NJ 07728 | 732-462-1745 | FholdUMC@aol.com

An ecumenical ministry in the greater Freehold area seeking to assist Hispanic children and their families through educational, nutritional and spiritual programs. They assist children from The Learning Center and Park Avenue schools. These are Spanish-origin students mostly from Mexican families. They provide volunteers, adults and students from area high schools, to help the children with their homework, reading and educational games. They also use the computers. Most students are kindergarten, first and second graders with a few from third and fourth grades. Before they start their homework they have a snack. There are also reading prizes. A Christmas party is held for the kids and their families with gifts for children. There are 52 children registered with 35 volunteers.

Camp YDP

13-15 N. 1st St., Paterson, NJ 07522 | 973-790-0887 | information@campydp.org | www.campydp.org

(Community Association with a Ministry to People Youth Development Program) provides pre-school, after-school and summer programs for children aged 2 ½ - 13 and their families, mainly on the north side of Paterson. The program runs throughout the year. They are committed to work as a "partner" within the community. A stimulating and nurturing environment is provided. Total care is available as well when schools are not in session with transportation available to pick up children from certain schools.

Cape Atlantic Cooperative Hispanic Extension (CACHE)

c/o Oasis UMC P.O. Box 595, Pleasantville, NJ 08232 | 609-484-1141

A cross-cultural coalition of churches working together to raise support for strengthening programs and facilities of Hispanic Ministries in the Cape Atlantic District.

Centenary Fund and Preachers Aid Fund

Rev. Douglas Miller, Outreach Secretary, GNJ, 205 Jumping Brook Road, Neptune, NJ 07753 | 845- 820-3650

Supports retired clergy and spouses.

Christian Outreach Project

Dave Kihm, P.O. Box 433, Rahway, NJ 07065 | christianoutreachproject@yahoo.com

Christian Outreach Project provides no-cost home repairs to persons in need in the northwest area of our Conference. Participants are made up of high school youth and adult volunteers. In addition to home repairs, participants engage in morning devotionals, singing, worship services and recreational activities.

CUMAC/ECHO

223 Ellison St., P.O. Box 2721, Paterson, NJ 07509 | 973-742-5518 | info@cumacecho.org | http://eumaceho.org

CUMAC works to alleviate hunger and its root causes for those in need in Paterson, Passaic County and northern NJ. CUMAC has a pantry feeding 3,000+ monthly. The Depot warehouses over two million pounds of food annually for a network of about 40 partner feeding programs. This Community Food Coalition (CFC) distributes food while also screening clients for member pantries. They advocate at the local and state level on behalf of CFC clients. CUMAC also has a Community Closet that offers clothing & household items; Pathways to Work that imparts job skills and hands-on experience; Place of Promise that is a supportive housing program for chronically homeless individuals; and seasonal projects for school supplies, holiday gifts and other items for area children in need. All of the programs rely heavily on volunteers and financial support from the community.

C.U.M.I. Camden Urban Ministry Initiative

c/o Bethel UMC, P.O. Box 555, Pennsauken, Camden, NJ 08110 | 856-963-1481

C.U.M.I. is cooperative after-school program that is a shared ministry amongst Camden churches. This partnering reaches families to ensure positive development of children. They provide a safe environment for youth activities, such as an after school program, summer day camps, youth Bible study, choir and a career training program. There are arts and cultural activities for all ages. The exchange of stories, wisdom, advice and experience build a shared understanding of family and community. This church-based intergenerational community surrounds youth with caring Christian adults who encourage, support and pray for them while also holding them accountable. C.U.M.I. is dedicated to the spiritual, emotional and social growth of Camden youth.

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First Friends of New Jersey and New York

First Friends provides advocacy, research and social services to the detained and released detainees. First Friends provides a link to the outside world by providing toll free lines (English & Spanish) in five different detention facilities where more than 2000 individuals are detained and through visiting individuals in detention. The Pen-pal Program allows volunteers, who cannot visit to write to detainees.

Neighborhood Center

278 Kaighns Ave. Camden, NJ 08103 | 856-365-5295 | www.ncicamden.org

The Neighborhood Center has served the Camden community since 1913. Today, they are a community center that provides a healthy and nutritious lunch six days a week, day care, and after school program, and an evening teen program. They focus on a two generation approach to lift families out of poverty. Their commitment is to provide a safe space for Academic achievement, Athletic accomplishment, and a flourishing Arts program. Their hope and vision for the next century of service is to create a "community living room."

Ranch Hope

45 Sawmill Rd., P.O. Box 325 856-935-1555 | www.ranchhope.org

Ranch Hope provides ministry to troubled boys ages 9 to 16 ½ and services to troubled girls between the ages of 14–18 years. They are faith-based and provide learning environments for those whose needs can best be met through experiences outside their homes. They can obtain or regain their long-term academic, behavioral, and spiritual focus in their residential setting. Counseling, housing and recreation are offered, as well as spiritual guidance, time to attend chapel services and Bible study. Ranch Hope is licensed by New Jersey State Department of Children and Families.

AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS

GNJ Camping Ministries

801 Mt Misery Rd., Pemberton Twp., NJ 08015 | www.pinelandscenter.org

Pinelands Center at Mt Misery is a camp & retreat center of the United Methodist Church of Greater New Jersey, lies on nearly 150 acres of forest in the coastal plains of southern, New Jersey.

A Future with Hope, Inc.

205 Jumping Brook Rd., Neptune, NJ, 07753 | 732.359.1012 | www.afuturewithhope.org

The Sandy recovery mission arm of the conference rebuilds homes from people who were devastated by Superstorm Sandy. In partnership with the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) A Future With Hope helps get people back home by providing case managers, professional construction supervisors, and thousands of volunteers to work together to repair, rebuild, and renew.

Project Nurture, Inc.

Millville, NJ

Project Nurture aims to support programs for at-risk children and youth.

Pennington School

112 West Delaware Avenue | 609-737-1838 | www.pennington.org

A college preparatory institution affiliated with the United Methodist Church which reflects the principles espoused by John Wesley and core values of honor, virtue, and humility. Students experience an environment where talents and values are forged for making a positive difference in the world. Half scholarships are available for students in grade 6 to 12.

Respond, Inc.

532 State Street, Camden NJ 08102 | 856-935-1555 | info@respondinc.com | www.respondinc.com

Respond, Inc. is a voluntary, not for profit (501)(c)(3) agency created by community residents to enhance and promote the economic independence and general welfare of individuals and families residing in Camden City and county. This mission is carried forth in the provision of comprehensive services in child care, a senior adult center, programs for homeless adults, rental housing and home ownership, youth services, employment, economic development, job training and associated programs that help people help themselves.

United Methodist Communities

3311 State Route 33, Neptune, NJ, 07753 | 732.922.9800 | www.umcommunities.org

A conglomerate of assisted living facilities throughout New Jersey dedicated to compassionately serving older adults with an emphasis on community. Specializing in senior lifestyles for over a century, United Methodist Communities help form the foundation for an abundant life.

The United Methodist Stewardship Foundation of Greater New Jersey

205 Jumping Brook Rd., Neptune, NJ | 732.359. | www.gnjumc.org

Increasing disciple making, congregational vitality and community mission engagement by assisting congregations and mission organizations to grow financial assets through stewardship education and investment management.

Wesley Foundation at Princeton University

33 Murray-Dodge Hall, Princeton, NJ | 609-258-5264 | www.princeton.edu/~wesley/

The official campus ministry of the United Methodist Church seeking to extend the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the academic setting of the University in order to meet the special needs of students for spiritual formation, intellectual inquiry, and social involvement.