

MISSION CENTRAL

Connecting God's Resources with Human Need

MISSION EDUCATION

MISSION OUTREACH

DISASTER RESPONSE

Thank You for Considering God's Call to Become a HUB

Four years after Mission Central opened, we were led to consider ways that more people living farther away from Mechanicsburg could experience being the "hands and feet of God in service" without traveling to the warehouse facility. After prayer and discernment, we adopted a goal to establish two "pilot" HUB sites (remote locations acting as mini-Mission Centrals) during 2007. As we have experienced before, when something is part of God's plan - it moves at a pace that is beyond imagination. As of March 13, 2013, we have twenty-seven HUBs, fifteen in the Susquehanna Conference; one in Cortland, New York; one in Northfield, NJ; two in MD; one in Wilmington, DE; four in Eastern PA; two in NH; and one in VT, with other locations considering joining the ministry.

The HUB project has provided the means to increase the availability of materials (UMCOR Kits and other items needed for local, national, and international ministry outreach projects) to be used to **Connect God's Resources with Human Need**. It is also the means to engage people in the fulfillment and fellowship experienced through responding to Jesus instructions as found in Matthew 25:40. HUBs have become outreach and evangelistic tools in their own areas, as well as the means where congregational and community members learn to know each other while serving. With the simple and flexible guidelines found in the Mission Central "HUB Covenant Agreement", each HUB is free and encouraged to determine exactly what God is calling them to do in their specific situation. No two HUBs are exactly alike and yet they all collectively enhance the total ministry of Mission Central by providing materials for central processing at Mission Central. Each HUB looks for local ministry needs and links to collaborative and ecumenical outreach in their communities. This enables multiplying "the connection" that enables God's people to do many things.

Thank you for taking the time to prayerfully consider joining Mission Central as a HUB location. We will provide you with how-to information, answers to your questions, on-site visits when helpful, training, logistics support for moving materials to Mission Central, and prayer support for your project. We also can share with others what you are doing through the social networking capacity of the Mission Central web site - www.missioncentral.org.

Most of all, we want to be the means by which God shows you new and exciting ways to be in hands-on ministry in your local area. From experience, we can only suggest that when you take the "plunge" - be prepared for what God has in mind - it will be an exciting adventure! Join us in experiencing your very own "God Moments" - those times when God brings things together in ways that only God can do.

Give us a call to start your journey. Your willingness to explore is the only requirement! Phone me at 717-266-2696-(home) or 717-766-1533 (Mission Central) or send me an e-mail at jnorris@susumc.org to explore your interest.

In His Service, Jean Norris, Volunteer HUB Committee Chairperson

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