



SUMMER 2023 BUILDING ON FAITH newsletter

Habitat is driven by the teachings of our Christian faith. We witness the power and love of Christ as we build simple, decent, affordable houses in partnership with all people. We offer faith groups a powerful way to put their faith into action, and many faith partners support us in our communities through their generous donations, prayers and volunteers.

A Message from our Executive Director

Although we always ask you to keep Habitat for Humanity in your prayers, did you know that the third Sunday in September is officially set aside as the **International Day of Prayer and Action for Human Habitat**? It's a time to focus on those in need of safe, affordable housing, and it comes from a desire to put God's love into action.

Archbishop Desmond Tutu, when addressing Habitat for Humanity volunteers in Cape Town, South Africa, once said:

"Sometimes God looks down on the world...and says, 'Why do my children treat each other like this?' God looks down on the world today and sees you. God smiles, because he sees you doing this fantastic work."



Yvonne Golczewski

That is the way all of us at Habitat Susquehanna think about all of you. You make us smile because of the work you do for your community. Thank you for partnering with us to help provide people with a decent, affordable place to live. Through shelter, we empower.

Bel Air UMC gives \$10K at

eighth annual sponsored build



Bel Air United Methodist Church has been a longtime supporter of Habitat Susquehanna's mission, and has participated in eight sponsored builds to date! Their two most recent "Hammers Up!" sponsored builds paid tribute to the memory of Tim Knabe, a 20+ year Habitat volunteer. Tim was heavily involved in building and rehabbing Habitat homes, fundraising, and connecting low-income members of the community with our Repair Program to address their critical home repairs and weatherization needs. Visit our Facebook page to see the latest "Hammers Up!" [photo album](#).

Mountain Christian Church gives \$10K in its "Explosions of Good" initiative



A recent \$10,000 donation from Mountain Christian Church will be used to kick off our 30th anniversary Faith Build campaign, supporting two home rehabs in Aberdeen, with a total fundraising goal of \$30,000. Look for information in your mailbox or inbox soon. Mountain Christian Church's donation was made as a part of its "Explosions of Good" initiative in which the church partners with local nonprofits to make a big impact on their missions and efforts in the community.

Hopewell UMC donates bedding, pillows

Hopewell United Methodist Church recently donated bedding and pillows for our two Erie Street, Havre de Grace, homeowners. They've made donations of this kind to many of our past Habitat homeowners during their home dedication ceremonies, as well. They were also one of the sponsors of our Faith in Unity Build, and have volunteered at our build sites.



Coming up: Hammers Up!

Volunteers from St. Margaret Parish are gearing up for their eighth sponsored build with us this October! (A "Hammers Up!"

sponsored build is when you build the interior and exterior walls and components of a Habitat home.) If your place of worship would like to learn more about participating in our "Hammers Up!" builds, contact [Ola Boswell](#), Director of Development.

A "Hammers Up!" day can be held at our place or yours (such as a parking lot that can



accommodate approximately 30 people). A typical day is from 8 AM to noon (timing is flexible) and includes coffee, donuts and tee shirts. We also post a photo album on our Facebook page after the event.

Acknowledgments

We thank all of you for giving of your time, and for the financial blessings you have bestowed upon our mission! Thank you for being God's hands and feet, here to serve others and show them His love.

Thank you to the members of **Christ Fellowship Church** who recently volunteered with us at our Habitat build site on Ohio Street, Havre de Grace. They worked on the siding, porch, roof and interior of the home. They also donated to our Building on Faith direct mail appeal.

Our thanks go to **Pastor LaMont Turner** from **Zion Temple Church** for giving the prayer over our build site during our Havre de Grace groundbreaking ceremony for LaTera's future home at Ohio Street; and, to **Pastor Mike Baker** and **Pastor Debbie Baker** from **Victorious Faith Fellowship** for giving the house blessing at our home dedication ceremony for Julia's Erie Street house in Havre de Grace.

Thank you to **Prince of Peace Church** for lending us their lawnmower for more than a year so that we can maintain our Habitat properties (during the period before they are sold to approved homebuyers). They have also generously loaned us chairs for use at special events. It's so nice to be able to count on the many "hand up" needs we have at Habitat Susquehanna!

Seeking to put God's love into action, Habitat for Humanity Susquehanna brings strength, stability and self-reliance through affordable housing in Cecil and Harford counties.

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