



By: Meredith Holden

CARITAS, Congregations Around Richmond Involved To Assure Shelter, serves as a first line of support for people in need of emergency shelter. Over 185 participating congregations provide shelter, food, and necessities on a weekly basis to individuals and families in need of immediate assistance. **Continuing in our mission to be community-focused and globally-minded, Fairmount will be hosting CARITAS from January 14th-21st.**

The areas around the Family Life Center will be our guests' home during this week and we'll provide overnight shelter, dinner, breakfast, bag lunches, showers, and laundry services for approximately 30 homeless guests (mostly women and children). This will be Fairmount's twenty-fifth year of hosting the CARITAS program.

For our week to be successful, it will require a **team effort** from our church family and the community as we donate needed items and volunteer our time. For the past twenty-five years, Fairmounters have donated a total of more than 10,500 service hours to this worthy cause. Traditionally, Bible School classes work together to provide dinner each evening and pack lunches for our guests for the next day. Classes have also been asked to supply various toiletries and other necessities. If you have any questions, please call Meredith Holden at 350-4252.

For information about the CARITAS program, visit their website at caritasshelter.org. Most importantly, please be in prayer for this program and for those who are in need of this vital service. ■

How You Can Help:

Donations: Sign up through your Bible School Class to help with meals and donations of needed items. If you don't have a Bible School Class and would like to help, please contact Meredith Holden.

Overnight helpers are needed to assist our guests and sleep over from 6:30pm until 6:30am in the Family Life Center.

Set up and take down helpers are needed on Saturdays, January 14th and 21st.

Items to borrow: books, magazines, board games, cards, air mattresses and pumps.

Please Note

We no longer collect quarters for the laundromat since we have a washer & dryer onsite for our guests to use. ■



Save the Date!
Saturday, January 21, 2017
4-6pm in the Family Life Center
Help pack 100,000 meals for Haiti.
Signups will be starting soon!

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IMPACT Jerusalem - Local

Fairmount's **Jerusalem** is right here at home - Mechanicsville, Richmond, Hanover, Henrico - our neighbors that we interact with on a daily basis.

Team Leader: Bobby Carter

Impact - Jerusalem fields include:

- Feed His Sheep
- Backpack Feeding Program
- Hilliard House
- CARITAS
- Habitat for Humanity
- MCEF

- Pregnancy Resource Center
- Gospel Jail Ministry
- Mission to Virginia
- BLOCK Party

Pray specifically for the CARITAS program, staff, and guests.

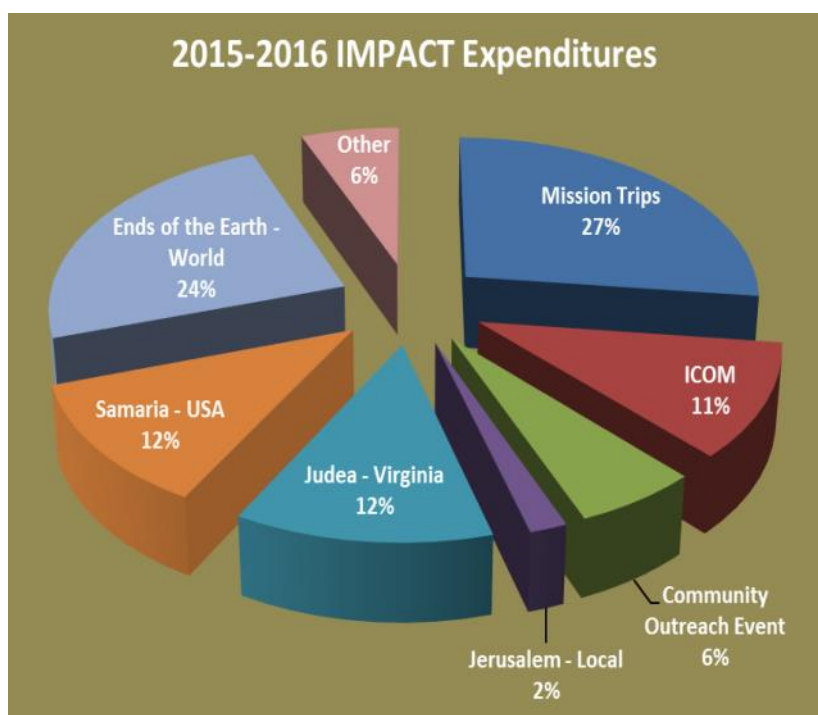
Looking Back...

Monthly - Manna Sundays (MCEF) & Feed His Sheep Meals
Mission to Virginia, Bedding collection for Hilliard House

Looking Forward...

CARITAS: January 14-21, 2017

2015-2016 IMPACT Expenditures



2015-2016 Impact Expenditures

By: Diane Knapp

In the 2015-2016 fiscal year, Fairmount Christian Church lived up to its vision of being Community Focused and Globally Minded by reaching those in our community through local outreach events and by sending funds to missionaries throughout the world. The IMPACT Ministry received over \$438,000 through your giving and through the Spring Fair held in April. Throughout the fiscal year, IMPACT distributed almost \$445,000 in support of 40 different fields in our local area, Virginia, United States, and to the ends of the earth. This is an astounding \$75,000 increase from the previous year! This highlights the commitment and generosity the Fairmount congregation has for missions.

The IMPACT Ministry continues the momentum into 2017 with plans for a Big Feed and mission trips to Grundy, New Hampshire, India, and Haiti. ■

IMPACT Judea - Virginia

Fairmount's **Judea** reaches out from our backyard and encompasses the whole state of Virginia.

Team Leader: George Koger

Impact - Judea fields include:

- Waypoint Church Partners
- Virginia Vision
- Mountain Mission School
- Camp Rudolph

- CMOV - College Ministries of VA

Pray specifically for Neil & Carole Wheeler as they minister through Waypoint Church Partners.

Looking Back...

Mt. Mission School Work Trip in September
RAM Medical Trip in Grundy, VA in September
Mt. Mission School Christmas Gift Collection in December

Looking Forward...

Super Sponsorship Sunday: February 5, 2017
Middle School Mt. Mission School Trip: April 10-12, 2017
Mt. Mission School Work Trip: April 19-22, 2017

IMPACT Samaria - USA

Fairmount's **Samaria** includes the entire United States of America.

Team Leader: Betsy Raines

Impact - Samaria fields include:

- Good News Productions International (GNPI)
- International Justice Mission
- IDES - International Disaster Emergency Services
- North American Christian Convention (NACC)
- ICOM - International Conference on Missions
- Cincinnati Christian University
- Dallas Christian College
- Emmanuel Christian Seminary
- Johnson University
- Kentucky Christian University
- Lincoln Christian University
- Milligan College

Pray specifically for Milligan College as they celebrate their 150th Anniversary

Looking Back...
ICOM 2016: Lexington, KY November 17-20

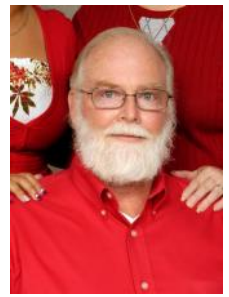
Looking Forward...
High School Mission Trip: New Hampshire, April 8-15, 2017
NACC: Kansas City, June 27-29, 2017

IMPACT Ends of the Earth - World

A New Team Leader for Impact World

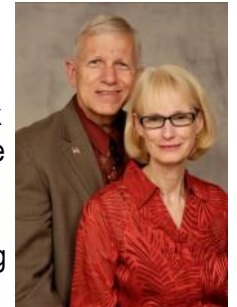
By: Chris Santasiere

Our IMPACT Ministry team is excited to announce that **Glenn Thacker** has recently become the leader of our IMPACT World Team. The World Team is responsible for the partnership and care of our missionaries that serve in foreign fields. The World Team also plays the lead role in planning the short-term mission trips offered throughout the year.



Glenn has been an active part of missions at Fairmount for decades and has gone on many short-term mission trips, both in and out of the United States. He has led well over a dozen trips to Niños de México, just outside of Mexico City and also maintains our partnership with Niños on the World Team. Glenn has also worked extensively with Mountain Mission School in Grundy, VA for several years. We are excited that Glenn has accepted the leadership role of the IMPACT World Team. **Welcome to the IMPACT Leadership Team, Glenn!**

The IMPACT Leadership Team believes that it is healthy for our Teams to rotate leaders on a regular basis. **Tina Langley** has served as our World Team Leader for the past four years and has done a fantastic job of managing her team and helping the IMPACT Ministry grow and navigate through some challenging situations. During her time as the World Team Leader, Tina has personally visited several of our missionaries including those at Niños de México, the Henrys in India, and the Barrons in Kenya. I was fortunate enough to travel with Tina on the Kenya trip. Tina's time as the World Team Leader will be looked back upon as a time of growth and deepening of the partnerships with our foreign fields. Under Tina's leadership we've also accomplished one of Fairmount's long-held dreams - sending out a Living Link missionary from within our congregation. Fairmount is proud of Rob & Lori McGhee, who will be sent out from Fairmount to serve in Haiti in the latter part of 2017. **Thank you, Tina, for all of your hard work!** ■



Fairmount's **"Ends of the Earth"** includes our foreign mission partners from around the world.

Team Leader: Glenn Thacker

Impact - World fields include:

- India - Drs. David & Sunisha Henry (HEART Ministries)
- Polish Christian Ministries
- Niños de México
- Indonesia - Brent & Bonnie Armistead (Pioneer)
- Haiti - Avenel Clersaint & Luc Aristhene (HEART Ministries)
- Haiti - Leon Dorleans (Red Quarry)
- Haiti - Rob & Lori McGhee (OMS)
- Kenya - Joshua & Ruth Barron (CMF)

Pray specifically for Sam Massey, Chris Santasiere, and Melanie Savage as they prepare to travel to India to visit the Henrys in January.

Looking Back...
Luc Aristhene visit in October
Hurricane Relief for our partners in Haiti

Looking Forward...
India Mission Trip: January 24-30, 2017
Haiti Mission Trip: March 24 - April 1, 2017



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Love People and
Introduce the world
to **Christ**

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Our Church: December 11, 2016

Welcome to our Newest Member...

Katy Saunders was baptized on December 11th.

Virginia Blood Services Needs Your Help!



The need for blood is always greater during the holidays. Please reserve your time at vadonor.org today!

Bloodmobile Blood Drive Sunday, Dec. 18th, 8am - 1pm

Appointments are preferred but walk-ins are always welcome!

Attendance & Giving

8:15 Worship Service: 147
Children's Worship: 7

9:30 Worship Service: 488
Children's Worship: 40

11:00 Traditional Worship: 181
Contemporary Worship: 204
Children's Worship: 85

Total: 1,152

Bible School: 601

Budget Requirements: \$41,653

Budget Receipts: \$42,496



Your Church Staff:

Rick Raines - Senior Minister
Chris Santasiere - Associate Minister
Mike Langley - Associate Minister
Tracy Thomas - Worship/Music Minister
Kevin Tucker - Associate Worship Minister
Josh Smith - Interim Youth Minister
Ashley Sears - Children's Director
Rose Williams - Early Childhood Director
Bob Massey - Business Administrator
Veronica Brewster - Office Manager
Jef Powell - Facilities & Grounds Manager
Barry Will - Technology Director
Chris Branch - Administrative Assistant
Sherri Fadool - Adult Ministries Assistant
Carolyn Holmes - Administrative Assistant
Lauren McCormick - Administrative Assistant
Morgan McMullin - Administrative Assistant
Krista Barnes - Youth Min. Administrative Assistant
Crystal Griffin - Children's Administrative Assistant
Amber Grubbs - Children's Administrative Assistant
Kasey Ogden - Children's Administrative Assistant