

FROM CHURCH TO CHURCH, AMEN!

AMEN to FUMC, Laredo, who dedicated their ADA Faith Project recently. They have wider doors, ramps, a lift, handicap accessible bathrooms, handicap accessible pews and handicap accessible playgrounds.



FUMC, Laredo, Handicap Accessible Playground

AMEN to FUMC, Donna, who participated in “Blankets of Belief,” a project sponsored by Soldiers’ Angels. These fleece hand-tied blankets will be sent to our troops for Christmas.



FUMC, Donna, with Blankets of Belief

AMEN to Premont UMC whose members have provided transportation to Mt. Wesley for Butch Ricks, who has attended Kingdom Kamp every year for the 25 years the camp has been available. As an original camper, he was recognized and received a plaque and trophy on the last day of camp this year.



Butch Ricks with his trophy at Premont UMC

AMEN to Trinity UMC who paid off its mortgage in September.

AMEN to members of Santa Rosa UMC who have been handing out Flood Buckets to help with the hurricane clean up in their town. Thanks to FUMC, La Feria, for delivering the 100 Flood Buckets to the Santa Rosa church.

AMEN to FUMC, La Feria, for holding their procrastination party for all La Feria High School students who had not seen the required film for the 2008-2009 school year. About 28 students attended and were served hot dogs and other refreshments.

AMEN to El Mesias for reaching out to their community by having in-home Bible studies and having a fiesta on their parking lot.



El Mesias UMC in-home Bible Study



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El Mesias UMC Fiesta



El Mesias UMC Fiesta on their parking lot

AMEN to FUMC, Kingsville, for helping FUMC, Hebbronville offer VBS free to all by loaning their VBS decorations. The Hebbronville Sheriff's Department helped also, by providing colorful T-shirts for each participant for the VBS Fiesta.

AMEN to Wesley UMC who dedicated an additional octave of Handbells recently, and Amen to FUMC, Laredo, for dedicating a set of Hand Chimes.



FUMC, Laredo, dedicating hand chimes.

AMEN to FUMC, Mission, for a growing Spanish Language Sunday School Class. The class started with a person who wanted to teach it and who brought together 3 friends. They now have 26 who attend the English Language Praise Service after Sunday School.



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AMEN to FUMC, Falfurrias, for opening their doors to their community through baptisms, quinceaneras, a youth group & Bible study. When they were approached by their community they were ready with Open Hearts, Open Minds, and Open Doors. They are also placing rocking chairs in their foyer for new and expecting mothers.

AMEN to FUMC, Alice, for their CD ministry. They make a CD of their church service that is mailed to shut-ins or those who missed the service.

AMEN to Premont UMC for highlighting the good humanitarian work in Iraq done by Christopher Flores. He has been able to help farmers improve or restart fish farms near Baghdad and has started soccer leagues in junior high and high schools of the area with the help of caring people in the USA. Christopher's aunt, who attends Premont UMC, refers us to the CORPUS CHRISTI CALLER TIMES of July 6, 2008, for the whole story.

AMEN to Trinity UMC for providing new colorful spaces for children and youth.

The infant room was refurbished and the children's area has a "Veggie Tales" atmosphere. The youth painted and redecorated their space with the goal of a coffee house atmosphere and a youth night during the week.



Trinity UMC Nursery



Trinity UMC Youth Room

AMEN to San Juan UMC for hosting mission teams every week this summer. Twenty homes were repaired.

AMEN to Pharr UMC for serving 6000 free lunches this summer.

AMEN to FUMC, Harlingen, for starting their NULIFE service with the goal of reaching the unchurched.

AMEN to Trinity UMC for holding Child/Youth Safety classes and inviting other churches to attend.

AMEN to FUMC, Edinburg, for providing money for a lay person to accompany their pastor to continuing education events so that new visions are caught.

AMEN to FUMC, Mercedes and Weslaco, for their combined youth group meetings that host 30 youth.

AMEN to St John UMC who have BRING A FRIEND TO CHURCH DAY on the 3rd Sunday of each month. They invite all visitors to stay for the pot-luck meal after the service.

AMEN to FUMC, La Feria, whose UMW has embraced the nursery. The group will maintain the needs of the nursery. This includes “nursery nannies” who fill in when extra hands are needed to keep the nursery on Sunday mornings.

Do you have an **AMEN** to share about the McAllen District? If so, contact Mary Howard by phone or email. (956-421-3630 or yard23@aol.com)

PLEASE PASS THESE ON TO OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS. THANKS

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