



## Mission Partner and Service Guide



Spring 2015

Dear Friends,

It is with great joy that the GO Team presents this Mission Partner and Service Guide for Spring of 2015. In this document, you will find a list and description of all of our mission partners as well as a list of current ways you can serve on mission at Huntsville First UMC.

One of the core principles we on the GO Team hope to develop is that we become “partner driven” in our mission efforts. We recognize that we need partners to be effective on mission. God intends for us to work together, hand in hand in mutual submission to one another. It is by intentional design that this booklet starts with information about our mission partners. We hope you will connect with at least one of our partners in a significant way. Please use this book to help guide you as you pray about who you can come alongside as you obey Jesus’ call to follow Him.

You will note that the partners are divided into four areas based on Jesus’ words in Acts 1:8. These four areas are; Jerusalem (our hometown), Judea (the United States), Samaria (places we tend to avoid) and Ends of the Earth (International). We believe that a balanced and effective mission model is one that includes all four areas. Many times we will neglect an area as it may make us uncomfortable. We believe God has not called us to be comfortable, but to make disciples of all nations. We hope you hear and obey the Spirit of the Lord Jesus calling you to join in the work He is doing in the world. We believe God is going to do great things in our midst in the coming year.

Blessings,

**John Bailey**

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#### **Huntsville First UMC Global Outreach (GO) Team**

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- **Judea and Disaster Relief Chair – Marti Stone**
- **Samaria Chair – Dick Titus**
- **Ends of the Earth Chairs – Kim Cox and Mandy Gilbert**



# MISSION PARTNERS

## Jerusalem (Huntsville City) Mission Partners

### **The Arc**

*Susan Klingel - Director*

The Arc of Madison County Inc. is committed to securing for all people with intellectual disabilities/developmental disabilities the opportunity to choose and realize their goals of where and how they learn, live, work, and play. They are further committed to limiting the consequences of intellectual disabilities/developmental disabilities through advocacy, support, education, and provision of quality programs which are individual and family driven and value and outcome based.

[www.hsvarc.org](http://www.hsvarc.org)

(256) 539-2266

### **Meals on Wheels**

*Jeanie Glynn, Meals on Wheels Director*

Meals on Wheels serves Huntsville seniors age 60 and over who are unable to cook for themselves, have no one available to cook for them and are primarily homebound. Nutritious meals are delivered free of charge by volunteers Monday – Friday, year-round. Huntsville First UMC members volunteer for several routes, but there is a need for even more church members to commit to delivering once a month.

[www.seniorview.com](http://www.seniorview.com)

[jglynn@seniorview.com](mailto:jglynn@seniorview.com)

(256) 382-0920

### **Children First**

*Lady Smith, Board Member*

Children First was formed by First United Methodist Church members in January 2009 to assist Huntsville's neediest children. Volunteers support Morris Elementary staff by developing relationships with children, supporting student incentive programs and supplying weekend food to 220 children in need. Children First assists children in achieving their potential as they grow to become confident, competent and caring individuals by providing committed volunteers, determined leadership and Christian compassion. You can help with food packing at the church and volunteering as a room parent or tutor.

[www.childrenfirsthuntsville.com](http://www.childrenfirsthuntsville.com)

(256)-539-5738

### **Interfaith Mission Services (IMS)**

*Chuck Vedane – Board Chair*

The mission of IMS is to build a beloved community --- a place of tolerance, respect, care for the vulnerable and justice for all. It is a state-wide, faith-based not-for-profit that is seeking to influence policy decisions to help alleviate poverty and increase the well-being of everyone in the state of Alabama.

[www.interfaithmissionservice.org](http://www.interfaithmissionservice.org)

[jrobis1@comcast.net](mailto:jrobis1@comcast.net)

(256) 536-2401

### **Christian Women's Job Corps (CWJC)**

*Elaine Dickson – Director*

Christian Women's Job Corps strives to equip women of all ages with the life and employment skills needed for them to obtain self-sufficiency. Their motto is "A hand up, not a hand out." The goal is to get these individuals out of poverty by helping them obtain their GED or learn basic computer skills. They partner with businesses to provide internships for these women who want a better life. You can be a mentor or provide lunch one day for the class.

[www.cwjc.net](http://www.cwjc.net)

(256) 428-9435

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## **Samaritan's Purse**

*Steve Nickel*

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[www.samaritanspurse.org](http://www.samaritanspurse.org)

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<http://eanicaragua.com/>

[info@eanicaragua.com](mailto:info@eanicaragua.com)

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[www.iliteam.org](http://www.iliteam.org)

## **Her Passion Ministries**

*Candice Ashburn*

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330 Franklin Road; Suite 135A-409

Brentwood, TN 37027-3282

Email: [info@herpassionministries.com](mailto:info@herpassionministries.com)

[www.herpassionministries.com](http://www.herpassionministries.com)

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## Judea (The United States) Mission Partners

### **Harvest Youth Club**

*Melvin and Sylvia Allen, Directors*

The Harvest Youth Club (HYC) is an After-School and Summer Camp Community Program that serves our community providing a safe, fun and structured environment for youth between the ages of 5-13. Our Club provides programs and services designed to build character and strengthen life skills. Our goal is to build in each child a strong foundation that will encourage each member to reach their fullest potential spiritually, academically, and socially.

[www.harvestyouthclub.com](http://www.harvestyouthclub.com)

(256) 217-0320

### **Appalachia Service Project (ASP)**

*Tim Norton, Director*

For more than 25 years, FUMC youth have taken an annual mission trip to Appalachia. They work to repair homes and improve the lives of the families living there. ASP celebrated its 42nd year of service this year. This mission trip gives the youth and adults who participate the opportunity to become personally aware of other people's struggles and to increase their compassion for others.

[www.asphome.org](http://www.asphome.org)

[info@buildanewyou.org](mailto:info@buildanewyou.org)

(800) 862-4246

### **Red Bird Mission**

*Dan Griffiths, pastor and hunger coordinator: Jack's Creek UMC and Bowen's Creek UMC*

Red Bird Missionary Conference is one of three missionary conferences in the U.S. A missionary conference serves in an area where the local resources cannot meet the needs of the individual churches and mission support from the UMC is necessary. Red Bird is located in the isolated, rural distressed area of southeastern Kentucky, where chronic poverty, lack of jobs, poor housing and rugged mountains are obstacles to a fuller life for the residents. Pastor Dan works with the people in this community and serves as minister to several area congregations.

[www.redbirdconference.org](http://www.redbirdconference.org)

[emmausdan@usa.net](mailto:emmausdan@usa.net)

(606) 598-5915

### **Society of St. Andrew**

*Mary Lynn Botts - North Alabama Gleaning Coordinator*

Society of St. Andrew is a national faith-based not-for-profit organization that works to end hunger in the United States by recovering food that might go to waste and redirecting it to agencies feeding the hungry. The mission's beginnings are founded in Methodism although it is now a non-denominational organization. In 1978 three Methodist ministers dedicated to resolving the problem of world hunger founded Society of St. Andrew, named for the disciple who brought the child to Jesus to feed the 5,000. In 1983 they received their first load of sweet potatoes donated by a North Carolina farmer. Since then, the Society of St. Andrew Potato and Produce Project has distributed more than 500 million pounds of food to America's hungry.

[www.endhunger.org](http://www.endhunger.org)

[sosaAL@endhunger.org](mailto:sosaAL@endhunger.org)

(205) 245-3214



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## ***UMCOR Warehouse, Decatur***

*Rev. Ray Crump, Director*

The UMCOR Warehouse receives, stores, and distributes supplies to be used in emergencies. Volunteers put together birthing kits, flood buckets and other kits to be used in disaster situations in the region. You are encouraged to donate the items listed on the website and also to go to the warehouse and volunteer. You will be amazed at the international scope of this enterprise so close to home.

[www.umdisasterwarehouse.com](http://www.umdisasterwarehouse.com)

[raylcr@aol.com](mailto:raylcr@aol.com)

(256) 341-9961

## ***Upper Sand Mountain Parish***

*Rev Chris Cone, Director*

The Upper Sand Mountain Parish partners with churches across the United Methodist Connection providing mission opportunities for mission teams to come for a week to live and work around the Sand Mountain area. The Parish provides emergency housing and assists disaster victims through a support system of clothing, job hunting and other services. You can provide school supplies and other needed items for this distressed area.

[www.farmerstel.com](http://www.farmerstel.com)

[usmp@farmerstel.com](mailto:usmp@farmerstel.com)

(256) 638-2126

## **Samaria (Places we tend to avoid) Mission Partners**

### **305 8<sup>th</sup> Street Home – Jehovah Jireh Ministries**

*Andrea Williams, Director*

Located on 8<sup>th</sup> Street off Governor's drive, the Mission of 305 8<sup>th</sup> Street is to cultivate a family of diverse disabled adults who are ineligible of receiving state assistance and provide them a home and opportunities that enable them to grow in their community. Many residents of the home are active members of Huntsville First United Methodist Church. You can serve by taking a meal and staying to play games and hang out with the residents.

<http://www.3058thstreet.org>

256-489-9414

### ***Downtown Rescue Mission***

*Keith Overholt, Director and Corey Buckner*

The Downtown Rescue Mission serves the homeless living throughout northern Alabama and southern Tennessee. For more than 30 years, this mission has had a profound impact on thousands of others by providing Christ-filled, enriched and compassionate services to those in desperate need. The Mission provides the homeless with meals, a warm shower, a safe place to sleep and clean clothes. Its work is truly life-saving. Volunteer to serve a holiday meal, give a party for the mission's children, lead a Bible study or mentor a young mother.

[www.downtownrescuemission.org](http://www.downtownrescuemission.org)

(256) 536-2441

### ***First Stop***

*Clete Wetli, Director*

First Stop offers assessment of the needs of homeless individuals and families. Assistance is provided in finding suitable housing as well obtaining photo ID cards and Social Security cards. Services include distribution of blankets, meal packs and hygiene packs, lockers where "street homeless" individuals can protect personal possessions, access to showers and laundry, access to telephone for those seeking employment and a mailing address. Join the Huntsville First team that provides breakfast and Christ's love to the homeless through First Stop.

<http://firststop.trbeinc.com/wp/>

(256) 533-3391

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## ***Manna House***

*Fran Fluhler – Executive Director*

Manna House helps provide food to families in need. Food is distributed Monday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings from 4:00 to 7:00 pm. Outdoor Church is held for the homeless on the first Saturday of each month at 11:00 am. Volunteers ages 4 and older are welcome to serve. Donations, such as diapers, toilet paper and peanut butter, are always appreciated.

[www.therockfwc.org/mannahouse](http://www.therockfwc.org/mannahouse)

[fran.mannahouse@gmail.com](mailto:fran.mannahouse@gmail.com)

(256) 503-4848

## **Ends of the Earth (International) Mission Partners**

### ***Africa Education & Leadership Initiative (Africa ELI)***

*Anita Henderlight, Executive Director*

The Africa Education & Leadership Initiative is a charitable non-government organization that works to improve gender equity, economic conditions, peaceful development and strengthened leadership capacity in South Sudan by advancing women's education through academic sponsorships, partnerships, and enrollment retention programs and life-skills development. They focus on increasing access to education for girls and young women as well as improving the quality of education and the learning environment. They strive for higher student retention rates and reduced at-risk behaviors and enhancing skills for leadership and careers. This summer Anne Forgey, June Wilson, and Annie Williams traveled to South Sudan with Africa ELI, and GO purchased goats and other supplies for the villagers.

[www.africaeli.org](http://www.africaeli.org)

[anita@africaeli.org](mailto:anita@africaeli.org)

### ***Hope Secondary School - Bethlehem***

*David Wildman – General Board of Global Ministries*

Bethlehem's Hope School is a Christian charity school for girls and boys in grades 7-12 located near the birthplace of Jesus. The school provides education for 85 students from the Bethlehem area and throughout the West Bank. Half the students are Christian and half are Moslem. All students begin their day in the chapel with morning devotion. They have spiritual training along with academic and physical programs. The boarding section has 14 boys. The school has the capacity--but not the funding--to take in 45 boys. Parents know that living at Hope School means three nutritious meals a day and snacks, supervised recreation and study time, and a safe, comfortable place to sleep at night. Most of the children cannot pay school fees or supply even the most basic school supplies themselves. Since the school receives no government grants, financial support and prayer partners are necessary for this ministry to continue. Sponsor a student's school fees or boarding costs or support a project, like buying more chickens for the students to raise for egg sales or paying for fuel to heat the bedrooms in winter. You may donate any amount through the United Methodist Church (Advance number 12018A at [umcmmission.org](http://umcmmission.org)). The students and staff welcome your encouraging letters and prayers.

[www.hopeschoolbeitjala.com](http://www.hopeschoolbeitjala.com)

[info@hopeschoolpal.com](mailto:info@hopeschoolpal.com)

### ***Panama –General Board of Global Ministries***

*Rhett Thompson*

Reverend Rhett Thompson is a Board of Global Ministries United Methodist missionary assigned to the Republic of Panama, serving as pastor of an Evangelical Methodist Church in Panama City. In addition to his pastoral duties, Rev. Thompson has coordinated efforts of the church to strengthen its outreach into the surrounding low-income neighborhood through a day-care program and other projects. Rhett also serves as the National Coordinator of Volunteers in Mission Program in Panama, helping mission teams from the UMC in the selection of projects as well as with all of the logistical details involved. Projects include construction and medical services. In recent years Rhett has been involved in the development of a comprehensive rural health project which serves the Ngobe indians, who are the poorest of the poor in Panama. This project includes the provision of potable water, adult literacy classes, community organization, and pre-school education for the Ngobe children.

<http://rhettthompson.weebly.com>

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## ***Life in Abundance International***

*Dr. Florence Muindi, Founder, Anna Bates, Transformational Partnerships Manager*

Life In Abundance is mobilizing the local church to restore health, renew hope and inspire lasting transformation for the world's most vulnerable families. LIA serves in the horn of Africa and in Haiti and Jamaica. A team from HFUMC joined LIA on and envisioning trip in 2013 and in 2014. We hope to send a team in 2015. To learn more contact

Mary Ena Heath [mejheath@aol.com](mailto:mejheath@aol.com)

[www.liaint.org](http://www.liaint.org)

## ***International Center for Hope – Russia***

*Terry & Syble Park*

ICH was created by FUMC members Terry and Syble Park. Their mission is “Giving hope to the helpless and helping the hopeless.” They have developed 18 programs that allow missionaries in Russia to share the Gospel with orphans, handicapped children and their parents, needy people and those just released from prison. Their Christmas program reaches several thousand children hungry for the story of Jesus. Email Terry and Syble to receive the ICH newsletter, and you will be amazed at how much this group is doing to spread Christ's love in Russia. You can donate to ICH at the church office to support this extensive mission.

[TerrellandSyble.Park@gmail.com](mailto:TerrellandSyble.Park@gmail.com)

[www.hopecenter.ru](http://www.hopecenter.ru)

256) 858-6868

## ***General Board of Global Ministries (GBGM)***

The General Board of Global Ministries is the global mission agency of The United Methodist Church, the purpose of which is found within the expression of the total mission of the Church. The Church in mission is a sign of God's presence in the world. Mission has a sacramental nature as it channels love and embodies a community of faith that has been water-washed, spirit-born, and renewed in Holy Communion.

[www.umcmmission.org](http://www.umcmmission.org)

[info@umcmmission.org](mailto:info@umcmmission.org)

(800) 862-4246

## ***Democratic Republic of Congo***

*David and Lori Persons*

This congregation first met David and Lori last year during our first global impact celebration. Dr. David Persons is a missionary with the Board of Global Ministries of The United Methodist Church serving in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) as dean and professor of Biblical studies and missions at the Faculte Methodiste de Theologie in Mulungwishi, Katanga. His ministry also includes training Congolese pastors for two annual conferences. His wife, Lori Persons, is also a missionary with the GBGM, serving as director of the Women's School of the Faculte Methodiste Theologie in Mulungwishi, David and Lori recently retired as the district missionaries for the Mulungwishi District of the Southern Congo Conference of the United Methodist Church. They have served as missionaries at Mulungwishi since 1979.

[persons\\_mulungwishi@hotmail.com](mailto:persons_mulungwishi@hotmail.com)

<http://umccongo.blogspot.com>

## ***The Mission Society***

*Stan Self - Sr. Director for Church Ministry*

The Mission Society exists to mobilize and deploy the body of Christ globally to join Jesus in His mission, especially among the least reached peoples. The Global Outreach Team has worked with the Society for the past year to make the transition to the Acts 1:8 philosophy of fulfilling the Great Commission in all areas--Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria and to the Ends of the Earth. The Mission Society has been instrumental in guiding the GO Team to plan the last three Global Impact Celebrations.

[www.themissionsociety.org](http://www.themissionsociety.org)

(800) 478-8963

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# SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

## Girls Inc.

1. Girl's Inc provides after school services for girls at the city's eleven Title One schools. They are located in the Showers Recreation Center at 4600 Blue Springs Road and have access to its library, community room, gym, playing fields and pool.
2. Tutors/reading buddies are needed on weekday afternoons.
  - a. Preferred commitments are once per week for an hour but they will meet your schedule
3. Contact: John Bailey - Phone 256-539-5738 x 25, email: [John@huntsvillefirst.org](mailto:John@huntsvillefirst.org)

## First Stop

1. First Stop Inc. purpose is to provide a point of contact, outreach, care and case management support to street homeless with the objective of reducing their numbers by moving homeless persons into self-sufficiency and permanent housing.
2. Teams from Huntsville First serve breakfast at First Stop on the first and second Monday of each month.
3. Contact Dick Titus - Phone 256-534-0936, email: [rctitus@comcast.net](mailto:rctitus@comcast.net)

## Boy's and Girls Club

1. Step inside any of the 10 Boys & Girls Clubs of North Alabama, and you will find something magical: young people learning and connecting with caring adults. You will see children completing their homework; teens researching colleges or planning a community service project; club members running, jumping, laughing, having fun and improving their health at the same time.
2. Tutors/study buddies are needed on weekday afternoons
3. Contact Tina Caudle - Phone 256-428-6189, email: [caudlet@comcast.net](mailto:caudlet@comcast.net)

## Children First

1. Children First is an outreach ministry sponsored by FUMC that assists in providing Title One children at Morris Elementary with the tools to succeed and instills in them the determination to become achievers.
2. Food packing is the second Thursday of every month at 6:00.
  - a. Children are welcome; lead your children to learn to serve.
  - b. More than 50 people just show up and join the food packing line at the Wesley Fellowship Hall
3. Contact Melissa Neumann: Phone 256-679-4501, email: [childrenfirst@huntsvillefirst.org](mailto:childrenfirst@huntsvillefirst.org)

## Christian Women's Job Corp

1. CWJC is a faith based, non-denominational ministry dedicated to equipping women with life and employment skills needed for them to obtain self-sufficiency. Women are offered training in life and job skills and mentored in relationships with other women.
2. Mentoring and training women
3. Contact Elaine Dickson: Phone (256) 428-9435, email: [edickson@cwjc.net](mailto:edickson@cwjc.net)

## CUP

Churches United for People (CUP) was started in 1989 by Huntsville First UMC and two other downtown churches. CUP has been helping people in our community with utilities and rent for 25 years. Volunteers are trained "on the job" and are needed to:

1. Interview Clients (one Tuesday or Thursday morning a month)
2. Provide clerical help (one Tuesday or Thursday morning a month)
3. Make appointments (one Thursday afternoon a month for 1-2 hours)
4. Contact Laura Jo Hamilton: Phone 256-348-5153, email: [hamilgs@hiwaay.net](mailto:hamilgs@hiwaay.net)

## 305 8<sup>th</sup> Street

1. Our Mission is to cultivate a family of diverse disabled adults who are ineligible of receiving state assistance and provide them a home and opportunities that enable them to grow in their community.
2. Join John Bailey to serve lunch and to have fellowship with the residents of the first Thursday of each month from 11:30-1:00. The groups will leave from the office at HFUMC
3. Contact John Bailey: Phone 256-539-5738, email: [john@huntsvillefirst.org](mailto:john@huntsvillefirst.org)

## Chapel Church

1. Chapel Church is an abbreviated worship service that offers fun, singing and an uplifting message for those with special needs or who otherwise prefer a shorter worship service. Everyone is invited to be a part of this truly unique worship experience.
2. Chapel Church opportunities to serve are many and varied.
3. The Hearts of Angels Sunday School Class welcomes volunteers to teach and/or assist with the class and scheduled activities. Teacher training and Safe Sanctuary certification will be coming up in August
4. Contact Sallie Colwick: Phone (256) 694-3976, email: [sallie65@comcast.net](mailto:sallie65@comcast.net)
5. Contact Marti Stone: Phone (256) 651-5989, email: [monroestone@aol.com](mailto:monroestone@aol.com)

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## Manna House

1. Volunteer to help distribute food, clothing and household articles to those in need on Monday, Wednesday or Thursday any time between 4:00 pm and 6:30 pm – Ages 8 and up welcome to serve. Stay only as long as your feet, back, or children can endure. Drop in when you can – leave when you need to. We don't sign up, just show up.
2. Contact Don Riley (a Huntsville First volunteer) to go with him - Phone (256) 883-1025, email: driley4000@comcast.net
3. Contact Don Colbath (a Huntsville First volunteer) to go with him - Phone (256) 881-1639, email: colbath@knology.net

## Operation Christmas Child – Samaritan's Purse

1. Pack a shoe box with gifts and toys to send to a child at Christmas.
2. Contact Barbara Cook - Phone 256-603-6206, email: bbc6714@comcast.net

## Upper Sand Mountain Parish

This cooperative Parish of eight United Methodist churches has Emergency Services and Family Care Programs that serve 5,000 families each year. USMP provides food, utilities, medical costs and medicines and more to those in need.

1. **Join Marti Stone on a day trip to Sand Mountain.** They are in need of volunteers to sort donated items in the 4 Thrift Stores, work in the Community Garden, and finish Heart and Hand Homes. We will leave from Huntsville First at 8:15. It takes about 1 hour to get there and we will work until 12:00. Bring your lunch with you. We will be back at about 1:30.
2. Contact Marti Stone - Phone 256-651-5989, email: [monroestone@aol.com](mailto:monroestone@aol.com) [misssquiggles@icloud.com](mailto:misssquiggles@icloud.com)

## Harvest Youth Club

1. Our mission is to provide a safe, fun, educational and exciting atmosphere for our members to grow and develop physically and socially into productive young men & women.
2. Readers and “study buddies” needed during the school year.
3. Contact John Bailey - Phone 256-539-5738, email: [john@huntsvillefirst.org](mailto:john@huntsvillefirst.org)

## Second Mile Development

1. Second Mile Development operates several main programs which includes: A Neighborhood Store which allows people to work in exchange for needed goods, a Preschool which emphasizes parental involvement and a Good Neighbor Program which involves parents and volunteers in education programs, especially reading.
2. Readers and teacher aides in Schools, Reading Pal's in elementary schools and Workers in the Neighborhood Store- Sorting Donations are needed
3. Contact John Bailey - Phone 256-539-5738, email: [john@huntsvillefirst.org](mailto:john@huntsvillefirst.org)

## Downtown Rescue Mission

1. The mission of the Downtown Rescue Mission is to meet the physical and spiritual needs of the homeless by providing food, clothing, shelter, and education to break the homeless cycle in the name of Christ
2. Volunteers are needed to serve meals, sort clothes, sort food in food pantry.
3. Contact John Bailey - Phone 256-539-5738, email: [john@huntsvillefirst.org](mailto:john@huntsvillefirst.org)

## Society of St Andrew

1. The Society of St. Andrew has delivered more than 13 million pounds of salvaged potatoes and other food to the needy in Alabama. This has resulted in approximately 40 million servings of food going to Alabama's hungry.
2. Volunteers needed to glean, sort and transport vegetables.
3. Contact John Bailey - Phone 256-539-5738, email: [john@huntsvillefirst.org](mailto:john@huntsvillefirst.org)

## Meals on Wheels

1. Join us as a driver and meet many wonderful homebound seniors we serve in the Huntsville community. Volunteers pick up meals at the Huntsville-Madison County Senior Center, Monday-Friday, between 10:45 and 11:10 a.m. They usually complete delivery by 12:00 noon. You may deliver as often as you like, however, we ask for a minimum commitment of once a month. We currently have 22 routes throughout Huntsville. It takes over 500 volunteers a month to provide this service.
2. Contact Jeannie Glynn at the Senior Center, she is expecting your call - Phone 256-513-8320, email: [jglynn@seniorview.com](mailto:jglynn@seniorview.com)



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Fridays from 8:30 AM until NOON

Sundays from 8 AM until 12:30 PM