

**FEED THE HUNGRY:** The MANNA ministry is in need of cans of meat products like chicken, ham and canned sausages. Bring your donations to church on Sunday or any day of the week! MANNA distributes assistance to needy families on Wednesday mornings from 9a.m-11a.m. Perhaps you would like to give a little time to help on those days? Come by!

Ice Cream Social - Please come join us on August 28, 2011, at 6 p.m. for a spaghetti chicken casserole dinner followed by singing and ice cream.

Millenium Park Rebuild - Help the city rebuild Millenium Park on October 26 through October 30 or November 2 to November 6. More information to follow. Check bulletins or contact church office or Van Snider at [2sniders@suddenlink.net](mailto:2sniders@suddenlink.net).

Craft Fair - October 14 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and October 15 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Pumpkin Patch - Patch will be opening on October 11.

Giving Tree - Please check out our Giving Tree located on the Mission wall to the left as you exit the Sanctuary. Each month we collect items for an organization. In September we will be collecting for our own Manna Ministries. In October we will collect for Nepenthe House. In December we will collect items for hospitalized children. This is a great way to reach out to your local community. Please stop by and take a leaf off the tree, return the leaf with purchased item the next week. There is a box to place purchased items. Thanks for your continued support and help!

Missions on the Move:

Stateside --- Once again SLS will join forces with Samaritan's Purse. This time we will be traveling to Tuscaloosa, AL, to help with rebuilding homes from the tornadoes that hit this past spring. There will be new construction and rebuilding of existing homesites. Date of mission November 28 through Dec 3. Cost will be minimal! Contact Lisa Morgan 853-5252 as soon as possible. Team is limited to 10 people.

Foreign --- SLS will be returning to Honduras for a medical/dental/children's mission February 25 to March 3, 2012. This mission is to provide medical and dental care to the people of the Portrerios area. Children's team will host activities for the children of the area. Space is limited to 30 people. Initial cost is \$1,500 which includes airfare, most meals, lodging, ground transportation and team fees. Valid passport required (expiration date must be later than September 2012). Please contact Dean Sawyer 274-9238 or Van Snider 421-0090 or 853-9929 if you are interested.

College Students - SLS will be sending a team to the Bahamas 4/1/12 to 4/7/12. Bahamas Methodist Habitat is a disaster relief and emergency home repair Outreach Ministry of the Bahamas Conference of the Methodist Church through which volunteers

serve together to repair and build homes for low-income families in the Bahamas. Cost: \$1,300 per person. There will be lots of fundraising opportunities. Contact Marcie Rome at 802-9224 if you are interested.

#### SLS Missions Walks for Causes...

Walk for Alzheimer's - Saturday, September 17, at Prien Lake Park, Indian Bay Pavilion. Check in is between 8 a.m. and 9 a.m. The walk will start at 9 a.m. You can register on the website <http://2011WalktoEndAlz.kintera.org/lakecharles/slsmiissions>. Please contact Linda Canning for more information.

Join our team in the Step Up for Down Syndrome Walk - October 8, registration at 9, walk at 9:30. Register at [www.up4downswla.org](http://www.up4downswla.org) team name Team Nikolaus St. Luke Simpson UMC. Contact Lois Fertakis 853-1986 for more information.

Then on November 19,2011, join SLS for the American Heart Association Walk. Contact Diana Taylor at [djtaylor1266@yahoo.com](mailto:djtaylor1266@yahoo.com) for more information.