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#### MISSION STATEMENT

To empower children and families to experience God's love and care as revealed in the ministry of Jesus Christ.

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#### **Testimonial**



#### From an alumnus...

"I just wanted to say that FUMCH helped me a lot. I thank God

everyday for everyone who was there to help. I am now 21 and have a beautiful family. If it wasn't

## All is Well

## **Hurricane Matthew**



The Children's Home came through Hurricane Matthew in good shape. All the residents are safe and sound. We just had a few downed trees, lots of debris and minor damage to one building. Thank you for your thoughts and prayers. Please continue to pray for all those who have been affected by this hurricane.

#### Come Celebrate With Us

**OVER 500 ENJOY** DAY AT THE RANCH for FUMCH, I'd still be going down the path I was going down. Thank you so much!"

# Upcoming Fifth Sunday Offerings



Please remember to promote and collect the Fifth Sunday Offering. It is vital to the success of this ministry.

October 30, 2016 Christmas Offering January 29, 2017 April 30, 2017 July 30, 2017 October 29, 2017 December 31, 2017

#### **Current Needs**

Electric alarm clocks
Hair brushes
Hair conditioner
Bars of bath soap
Male deodorant

Items of Interest

Fifth Sunday Video



## **September 17, 2016**

Churches from across North Florida and beyond came for tours of our north campus and to celebrate the ways God has been moving in our ministry. It was a great day and it was our pleasure to be able to open our doors to the supporters who make this ministry possible. Thank you to all who attended and a special thank you to the volunteers who gave their time to make this event successful.











**Come Celebrate With Us** 

FIFTH SUNDAY OFFERING October 30, 2016



Use the link below to access a 2:00 minute video you can use to promote the Children's Home in your church.

https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=egBC57HaGQ4

## **Brochure Holders** Available and New **Brochure**



We have a supply of brochure holders available for your use. We will also include a supply of our basic general brochure. If you would like one to put in your narthex, church office or other prominent place around your church, please contact Trista Calvin at trista.calvin@fumch.org or 386-668-5088. The brochure holder mails flat and simply needs to be folded into place before use.

## Legacy Circle Luncheon



For members of the Legacy





Please remember to receive a Fifth Sunday Offering on October 30, 2016. The Fifth Sunday Offering is a vital source of support for us to meet the daily needs of the children, youth and families in our care. If you need bulletin inserts, posters or pew envelopes, please contact Trista Calvin at trista.calvin@fumch.org or at (386) 668-4774.

## **Opportunity**

## **Help Bring Christmas Joy**



For the past three years, we have changed how we give Christmas gifts to the children by requesting gift cards in lieu of gifts from our churches and friends in the community. Many churches and groups have also found this to be a more convenient way to support our children at Christmas. Therefore, we ask that you purchase gift cards again this year.

However, the residents will not just receive gift cards on Christmas morning this year. Houseparents and therapists know our residents well and will go shopping for gifts using a portion of the gift cards. These gifts will be wrapped and placed under the Christmas tree to be opened on

Christmas morning along with receiving a few gift cards that will allow them to go shopping.

Please purchase gift cards in increments of \$10, \$20 or \$25. Especially useful and flexible for our children are VISA, Master Card or American Express gift cards. Other ideas are Target, Walmart and Best Buy (or any other major chain store). Our goal is to be able to give every child in our care \$150.00 in gifts and gift cards. We also strive to make

Circle, a luncheon will be held on Tuesday, October 18, 2016 on our campus from 11:30 am - 1:30 pm. For more information please contact Jeanne Griffith, Associate Director of Development at jeanne.griffith@fumch.org.

#### **Volunteers Needed**



Volunteers are always needed at the Resale Shop. If you would like to send a group of volunteers to help with various tasks or would like more information about volunteering, please contact our Volunteer Relations Supervisor, Lynn Bellomy, at (386) 668-5088 or lynn.bellomy@fumch.org

## "Like" us on Facebook

Want to stay updated on the latest Children's Home news online? <u>Like our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/fumch.</u>

## Save the Date

DAY ON CAMPUS April 1, 2017



Specially Invited Districts:

Gulf Central

Christmas morning special. Each child receives a stocking made by friends of the Children's Home.

In order to prepare our campus for Christmas, we ask that your gift cards arrive before <u>December 9, 2016</u>, if possible. Of course, we are happy to receive donations after that date.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact our development office at (386) 668-5088. Again, we thank you for your love and prayers for our children and this wonderful ministry.

#### Thank You!

## **Mission Work Teams Appreciated**





The Florida United Methodist Children's Home would like to thank all the mission work teams who share their time and talents at the Children's Home. A great deal of much needed work is accomplished by these volunteers. This year **5,647 hours of volunteer service have been given.** The 2016 groups of youth or adults have come, or are scheduled to arrive, from the following churches or organizations:

#### 2016 Work Groups

Trinity UMC, Mullica Hill, NJ Asbury, UMC, Maitland **NOMADS Edgewater Alliance Church Deltona Presbyterian Church** Stetson Wesley Foundation Cornerstone UMC, Naples Ponte Vedra UMC First UMC, Winter Garden Hope UMC, Trinity FL Summit Church, Lake Mary Tuskawilla UMC, Oviedo Deloitte Consulting First UMC, Spring Hill Arlington UMC, Jacksonville Ocoee Oaks UMC Sunset UMC, Pasadena, TX Keystone UMC, Odessa **High Springs UMC** Harvester UMC, Land O' Lakes First UMC- Deland **Crossings Community Church, Sanford** Sun City Center UMC St. John's UMC, Winter Haven Casselberry First UMC **Evinston UMC** 

Wacissa UMC

## **South Central**





Riviera UMC, St Petersburg
First UMC, Live Oak
Southside UMC, Jacksonville
Crawfordville UMC
Riverside Park UMC, Jacksonville

## **Helpful Information**

### LIFE INSURANCE CAN BENEFIT THE HOME

Your life insurance can support our work. "If only I knew, I would have done this sooner." It's a statement we often hear. Did you know that you can name a charitable organization such as the Florida United Methodist Children's Home as a beneficiary and help further our mission? A gift of life insurance is a wonderful way to support our work at a significant level, but at a fraction of the cost of other gifts.

For more information, you may reach us via www.fumchlegacy.org, email plannedgiving@FUMCH.org, or contact Jeanne Griffith, Associate Director of Development at 386-668-4774 ext. 2234.

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