

●● **Mission Travel Fund.** We seek to support the mission work that attenders and members do at a distance through counseling and advice, prayer and financial support. The Mission Travel Fund was created to manage the latter. Funds for Mission Travel are provided partly through the budget and partly through Special Giving.

● **Mutual Aid for Mennonite Pastors.** Mennonite Church USA makes healthcare available for its pastors in partnership with congregations. As a part of the program congregations donate to help provide healthcare for Pastors in congregations whose resources wouldn't otherwise allow them to participate.

● **Pastor's Local Fund.** A small amount is budgeted each year by the congregation to provide financial support to individuals who contact the church directly. The Pastor administers these funds.

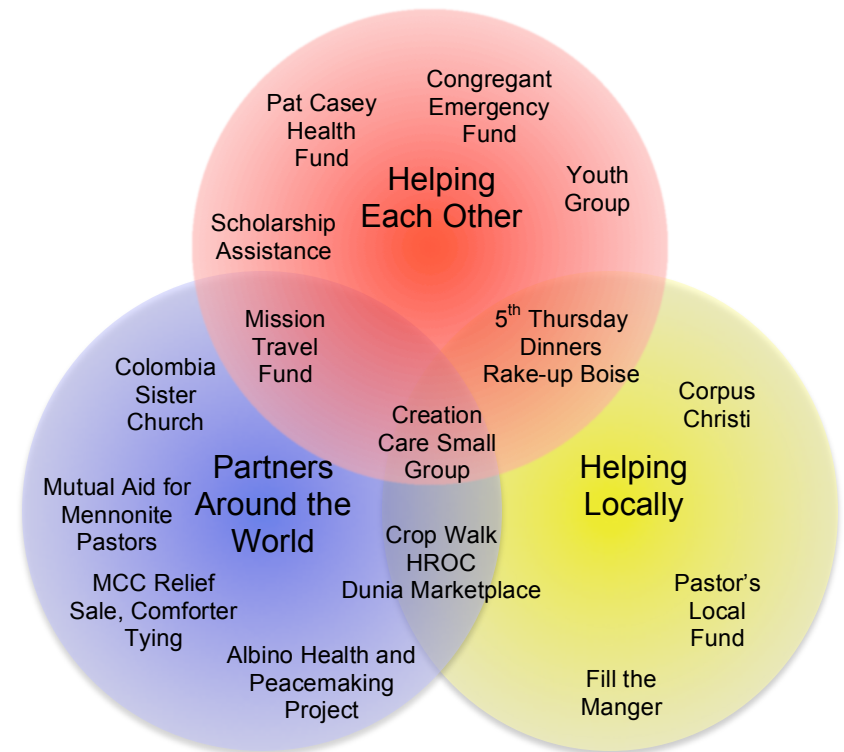
● **Pat Casey Health Fund.** One of our members, Pat Casey, has had some extraordinary medical issues, and we have adopted Pat as a special mission of the Church for the period of time when his medical needs were most acute.

●● **Rake-up Boise.** Each fall members and youth gather on a Saturday to rake-up fall leaves at the church and then at multiple homes in the community.

● **Scholarship Assistance.** We provide our youth with a small scholarship to help them pay for up to four years of college attendance. Statistics show that if a young person attends a Mennonite College they are most likely to remain within the Mennonite Church as an adult. In contrast, they are least likely to remain within a church community if they don't attend college at all. In between those two are attendance at a State College or University and or at another denomination's college.

● **Youth Group.** The congregation supports service projects of our Youth Group with a small amount of funding each year. Youth Group Leaders work with them to select and complete projects both locally and at a distance.

## Hyde Park Mennonite Fellowship Faith in Action



This diagram shows mission programs that are supported by Hyde Park Mennonite Fellowship financially and through our volunteer efforts. For more information about how we determine official projects of the church, see any member of the Missions Committee. Right now those members are Rob Hanson, Rick Skinner, John Vance and Janet Buschert.

- **Within our Congregation**
- **Helping Locally**
- **With Partners Around the World**

● **Albino Health and Peacemaking Project (MCC<sup>1</sup>).** MCC and HPMF (Hyde Park Mennonite Fellowship) partner with the Mennonite Church of Tanzania and Albino Peacemakers Group to insure access to skin screenings, treatment for lesions and eye care. Albino's lives are marginalized and endangered, and educational programs seek to overcome these threats.

● **Colombia Sister Church.** For 15 years Hyde Park Church has had a Sister Church relationship with a congregation in Southern Colombia that has been a light for peace and non-violence in the darkness of a 60-year conflict. Prayers, visits and sharing gifts of love have built a lasting bond that opens our eyes to suffering around the world and the work of courageous Christians sowing seeds of hope.

● **Comforters and Blankets (MCC).** A group meets weekly at the church to knot comforters that give hope and comfort along with a tangible message to refugees around the world that their needs are not forgotten.

● **Congregant Emergency Fund.** The congregation maintains a small fund that supplies emergency assistance to members of the congregation with medical or other emergencies. The Pastor and the Leadership Team administer the Fund.

● **Corpus Christi.** This Boise daytime shelter for the homeless was started through a partnership between a former Pastor of HPMF and lay Catholic leaders. It provides a place for people to come in from the cold and heat for a cup of coffee, to take a shower and wash some clothes. It is an inter-denominational

community of people inspired by the belief that all people are deserving of dignity, acceptance, and the basic needs of life.

●●● **Creation Care Small Group.** This small group promotes actions for the care of God's creation within the congregation and community. The members of the group meet on a weekly basis for study, visioning, and support.

●● **CROP Walk.** HPMF participates annually in this community-wide walk sponsored by Church World Service to raise funds to end hunger in the U.S. and around the world.

●● **Dunia Marketplace.** Through its not-for-profit retail sales, this Hyde Park retail store's vision is that all artisans earn a fair wage, are treated with dignity and respect and live a life of quality. Congregants volunteer in a variety of ways at the store.

● **Fill the Manger.** Each Christmas we "Fill the Manger" at the front of the church to fulfill a specific local material need.

●● **5<sup>th</sup> Thursday Dinners.** First Presbyterian Church in Boise provides space for a Friendship Dinner each week that provides 50-90 guests with a dinner free of charge. Hyde Park sponsors the meal four times a year, whenever there is a Fifth Thursday.

●● **Healing and Rebuilding our Communities (HROC).** HROC was developed in Rwanda and Burundi in 2003 as a way of helping genocide victims and perpetrators heal from trauma. In fun, interactive three-day workshops, participants discuss the causes, symptoms, and consequences of trauma, and the benefits of sharing information about one's self with others. Participants also discuss constructive ways to deal with anger and how to rebuild trust. The workshops are offered in several countries throughout Africa and locally in Boise.

● **Idaho Mennonite World Relief Festival (MCC).** This annual sale, sponsored by Idaho Mennonite churches, supports the work of MCC around the world.

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<sup>1</sup> MCC (Mennonite Central Committee) is the relief and development agency of North American Mennonite and Brethren in Christ Churches for disaster relief, sustainable community development and building peace & justice.