

Helping Hands



HELPING HANDS BENEVOLENCE FUND

New name – same fund

The ANE District Disaster Benevolence Fund now has a new name! In May the ANE District Witness and Outreach Commission decided to rename this fund in an effort to encourage more awareness of this valuable resource in our District.

The ANE District **Helping Hands Benevolence Fund** seeks to enhance local congregational ministries in responding to natural disasters and social ills in the ANE District. Consideration is given to congregations desiring to assist individuals or families who are victims of a disaster, as well as, individuals or groups requesting travel reimbursement when volunteering for trips coordinated by the District Disaster Response Coordinator.

In recent months this fund was used to offer support to the bcmPEACE outreach ministry of Harrisburg First as they dealt with significant weather related damage to one of their properties. Other churches have been aided by this fund in their efforts to offer benevolent help to persons in the congregations who had needs that surpassed the financial resources of the local congregation.

For more information about to apply for help from this fund, please check out the ANE Special Funds link on the ANE District website at: <http://ane-cob.com/ane-disaster-benevolence-fund/>