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Dear Friends,

Happy Mother's Day!

Macon Outreach at Mulberry (MOM) is proud to be a ministry deeply rooted in this community and is fortunate to have received the support of over 16 local congregations throughout its 53 years of operation. Here are a few examples of the many promotional activities these churches have undertaken to benefit MOM over the past years ...

"Loose Change Campaign" – A group of men collected loose change at their church and over time used that money to purchase in-bulk, non-perishable food items for the Outreach Grocery Pantry.

"Food Truck Frenzy" – A special event sponsored by a local congregation where a portion of the food truck sales were donated to MOM.

"Chili Cook-Off" – A friendly competition between churches and individuals where monetary collections were given to Outreach.

"Outreach Angel Dolls" – This is an oldie-but-goodie! Remember the Cabbage Patch Doll craze? Well, during that same general era, this group of talented women hand sewed similar "Angel" dolls and sold them to benefit MOM.

"Holiday Bake Sale" – Who can resist homemade sweets! An annual holiday fundraiser of United Methodist Women in support of Outreach ministries.

Likewise, originally conceived by a local congregation back in 1989, the "37-cent Club" today has become a major funding avenue for MOM. In fact, over the past 3 years, the 37-cent Club has on average funded 40.9% of our operating costs. Many of you are receiving this letter because you have previously contributed to this much needed ministry and its success. Thank you for your generosity!

With the steady increase in food and other costs, MOM needs your support now more than ever. Thus, for Mother's Day I invite you to join the 37-cent Club and offer your financial support to God's ministry here at Macon Outreach. You may make your gift in honor of, or in memory of, your own mom, or a woman who has positively influenced your life. Please make your check payable to Macon Outreach at Mulberry and return it in the enclosed envelope, or you may donate on-line at [www.maconoutreach.com](http://www.maconoutreach.com). What a special way to celebrate a special woman on a special day!

Sincerely,

R. Edward Powell, Jr.  
Macon Outreach Advisory Board Chairman

Matthew 25: 40 (New International Version) states, *"Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."*