**GRACE MISSION**

Episcopal Church

*…a transformative ministry of the forgotten*

“Saturday I was tired, wet and sore…and had a REALLY GREAT TIME! Thanks”

Dear Ministry Partners:

I received this email from one of our volunteers after the July **One Campaign/Mobile Food Pantry** food distribution in the Joe Louis Housing Project. It rained “cat and dogs” that day and everyone was soaked to the bone but we managed to distribute wholesome and nutritious food to over 200 people, half of which were children.

One of the things that makes me so proud of the volunteers of Grace Mission is our “shared community of compassion and presence” in response to ‘the least of these’ in our midst. It is this outpouring of faith, commitment and support offered by so many, Episcopalians and many people from other faiths, and seeing the church’s spirit of generosity – of seeking and serving Christ in all persons – is nothing short of inspirational. What I believe emerges is a *remarkable story* of people turning their deep faith and boundless compassion into concrete action by volunteering and supporting the many ministries of Grace Mission.

And many of you have answered the common call to be the hands of Christ to those who need it most. **Thank You!** The scope of what we can accomplish together for Christ is beyond incredible. If you haven’t already, we extend an invitation for you to join us in putting your *faith into action* – we have many glorious ways you can serve. Call us and we will be happy to give you more details (850-224-3817) or visit our website gracemission.net and click on the volunteer page.

The Rt. Rev. Stanley Ntagali, Archbishop of the Church of Uganda, said it best,

*“I tell my people, we serve a rich God. Our God is not poor…He is a wonderful God,*

*He blesses our ministry and He blesses us.”*

To be part of Grace Mission is surely one of the greatest blessings of my life!

In His Name,

Pastor Amanda+

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