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Two dates available in June, Register online.

## Kenya Mission Trip Awaits Volunteers

The church's first mission trip to Kenya is scheduled for the summer of 2024, and there are still a few openings for volunteers who want to serve and experience this extraordinary journey. "This is one of the most life-changing opportunities in our Missions ministry today," said Dr. John McKellar. McKellar, as well as Dr. Todd Renner and Ken Nelson, previewed the needs and circumstances of the Kenya churches this past October with hopes of establishing a mission collaboration with colleagues there.

"The opportunity to see what is happening in this country, and the wonderful people we have the chance to work with was truly one of my greatest blessings of this past year," said McKellar.

Volunteers will visit, work, and learn about the ministries of the Trinity Methodist Church in Gilgil, Kenya. The schedule is devised to provide for two teams, with 15 people on each one.

The Trinity Methodist Church is a district of 18 churches around the area of Gilgil. The church provides a safe house for women in need, a full-time medical clinic, and three high schools. A primary school will open in the very near future.

Team Co-Leader Ken Nelson is very excited to sponsor and plan this trip. He and his wife, Sharon, have together led various trips for White's Chapel in the past, including trips to Costa Rica. They have also been involved in the church's missions in Uruguay, Guatemala, Belize, Ghana, Louisiana, and New Mexico, as well as working with Blueprint Ministries in San Antonio.

"I've consistently found that we all need each other to help us through life," said Nelson. "It's our job to be the hands and feet of Jesus."

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### A MISSION TO KENYA

There are still openings for volunteers to participate in the Kenya Mission Trip this June. "The opportunity to see what is happening in this country and the wonderful people we have the chance to work with was truly one of my greatest blessings of this past year," said Dr. John McKellar, White's Chapel Co-Pastor.

## Rise Against Hunger This year at Super Saturday Event

Jan. 27 | Evans Hall

White's Chapel is once again teaming up with Rise Against Hunger to help people around the world who are food insecure.

On Saturday, Jan. 27, more than 150 volunteers will gather to help package food for the hungry. Everyone will meet in Evans Hall to pack the material into boxes and prepare them for delivery. Once mixed with water, the dry,

packaged food (supplied by Rise Against Hunger) will provide a nutritious meal to recipients.

According to their website, Rise Against Hunger has impacted more than 4.4 million lives and has distributed more than 67.6 million meals worldwide. It also states "Rise Against Hunger is growing a global movement to end hunger by

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confirmation claim your faith

SPRING CONFIRMATION 2024

Parent Confirmation Orientation | Sunday, Jan. 14

Continuing Classes | Beginning Jan. 21 | 11 a.m. | The ROCK

## Confirmation Classes Begin

Parent Meeting | Sunday, Jan. 14 at 12:10 p.m.

When students begin to move from concrete thinking to abstract thinking, that is when many begin to make lifelong faith decisions. It's a time when students are seeking a sense of belonging and joining the community of faith is a great step. Confirmation offers an opportunity for students to "confirm" the faith handed down to them by their families.

Confirmation is an intentional spiritual formation program that takes students through the history, practices, and beliefs of the Christian faith. Classes guide each student in professing their belief in Jesus Christ and helping them understand what it means to be a member of White's

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## WC Mobile Market Adds Another School to Program

By Cassidy Johnson

Assisting three different communities, in Grapevine, Haltom City – and now – Watauga, the WC Mobile Market is in need of volunteers more than ever before.

The WC Mobile Market Ministry provides food to at-risk communities at no cost. It features a 28-foot trailer, equipped with refrigeration and backup

electricity generation. The trailer allows volunteers to serve quality food and it equips leaders for future opportunities to serve after dire situations, such as natural disasters. The ministry is conducted in partnership with the Tarrant Area Food Bank (TAFB), which distributes food to food pantries in 13 North Texas counties. According to the TAFB, more than 300,000 Tarrant County residents are unsure where their next meal is coming from, and 25 percent of those

experiencing food insecurity are children. The Mobile Market aims to meet people where they are to fight against hunger.

Over the last year and a half, the Mobile Market has faithfully provided food to people and communities experiencing food insecurity. Volunteers have served the community near O.H. Stowe Elementary School in Haltom City and residents near GRACE in Grapevine. The

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# 2023 Year



# in Review



## Mission

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Nelson has specific goals for our volunteers.

"I want them first to come and see what is happening in Kenya," he explained, "and to learn how Bishop Joe has introduced and grown the Methodists to 18 physical churches in the Trinity District. He is literally growing the kingdom of God."

"The MCC Kenya church is on fire," he continued. "Bishop Joe has helped gain a foothold for Christianity in the area. We learned on our scouting trip that there is a great need to do what we can to bring more people to Christ. We have a great opportunity help children complete high school with hopes of going on to university."

Nelson hopes our workers will meet and make friends with some of the folks of Kenya. Some of the work he anticipates is to tend the self-sustaining garden at the two high schools, improve landscaping at the soon-to-open primary school, help with medical outreach, and provide painting and light construction



for minor improvements of boys' and girls' dorms.

"As always, the physical work listed may change in scope as we get closer to arrival," said Nelson.

The total trip cost is \$2,500, which includes all transportation, lodging, and meals as well as a safari excursion. A non-refundable deposit of \$500 is required to complete registration and final payment is due in February.

Registration is available now on the church website. Besides a current passport, a Kenya E-Visa will be required at a cost of \$55. Medical requirements include: Yellow Fever vaccination (\$100-\$300), Malaria prevention medicine (\$25).

**Team 1: Kenya Adult Mission Trip  
June 13 - 21 | Register Online.**

**Team 2: Kenya Adult Mission Trip  
June 20 - 28 | Register Online.**

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## Hunger

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empowering communities, nourishing lives and responding to emergencies."

The church has worked with Rise Against Hunger for several years, and the January service opportunity is usually a well-attended event.

This year, there will be two volunteer opportunities available at the Super Saturday: (1) Participants will help unload supplies from the truck and set up packing stations from 8 to 9 a.m. and/or (2) Volunteers will actively participate

in the fight to stop hunger by measuring and packaging meals from 9 to 11 a.m. Through the diligent work of enthusiastic volunteers, approximately 30,000 meals will be packaged and shipped globally through this one Super Saturday packing event.

Registration for this Super Saturday is available on the church website. Families, friends and church groups are encouraged to attend. Children four years old and older are welcome to help their parents serve. All participants must wear closed-toe shoes.

For more information, contact Dedra Moffat at [dmoffat@whiteschapel.org](mailto:dmoffat@whiteschapel.org).

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Chapel. **Parent orientation will be on Sunday, Jan. 14 immediately after church in the ROCK.**

**6th-12th graders** have the option of beginning classes on Sunday, Jan. 21 at 11 a.m. or Wednesday, Jan. 24 at 6 p.m. Students only attend one class per week.

**7th - 12th graders** may join the Sunday/Wednesday classes or contact Floyd Joseph at [fjoseph@whiteschapel.org](mailto:fjoseph@whiteschapel.org) for a self-led study.

These weekly classes will end with a service in which the students will be welcomed into full membership at White's Chapel on **Sunday, April 21**. If needed, students will also be baptized on this day as well. Sign up for Confirmation online. Contact Denise Bennett [dbennett@whiteschapel.org](mailto:dbennett@whiteschapel.org). Register at <https://bit.ly/WCConfirmation2024>

Register online at [whiteschapel.org](http://whiteschapel.org).  
For more information, contact Rev. Joy Roberson at [jroberson@whiteschapel.org](mailto:jroberson@whiteschapel.org).

## Mobile

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ministry has served over 7,000 families thus far. Leaders expect numbers to rise as the program continues to grow and as Grace E. Hardeman Elementary School (of Birdville ISD) is added to the list of Mobile Market outreach locations. **The first outreach event at the new location will be held on Thursday, Jan. 18, and they will continue serving at the school on the third Thursday of each month.**

"The dream of Mobile Market is to provide food for those in need all across the metroplex, as often as we can," shared Missions Associate Director Jared Smith. "Our goal is to use this ministry to host an event every week, if not more down the road. There are a number of Title 1 schools in the area, Hardeman being one."

After meeting with the principal and school counselor at Grace E. Hardeman Elementary School, Mobile Market leaders discovered the massive need for food. Over 150 families apply for weekend meals and the school only has funding to provide for 20 families – and that's just the elementary school. After visiting the campus, the leaders saw that the middle school is right next door, and they assume the need continues there as well. Many of the leaders, like Smith, believe this location has the potential to be the largest market served so far.

"Since the inception of Mobile Market, we have watched lasting relationships form between White's Chapel and

the schools, between volunteers and clients, and an outpouring of gratitude from those that this ministry serves," Smith said. "We see many of the same faces every month, as clients rely on this ministry and become regulars at the market. Since starting at O.H. Stowe in 2022, we have served 1,944 families (9,745 people). Since June 2023, 934 families (4,222 people) have been served at our GRACE COC location in Grapevine. Every week, we see more and more new faces coming through the market line, with the number of families we serve increasing month to month."

**Mobile Market Outreach Location Schedule:**

- **O.H. Stowe Elementary School – First Thursday of the Month**
- **GRACE - Second Thursday of the Month**
- **Grace E. Hardeman Elementary School – Third Thursday of the Month**

The outreach event at Grace E. Hardeman Elementary School needs about 40 volunteers to help with registration, traffic, and food distribution. The outreach event at O.H. Stowe needs about 44 volunteers per event, and GRACE needs about 41 volunteers.

For more information about this effort, or to sign up for an upcoming event, please visit <https://sugeni.us/dzAJ>. All WC Mobile Market volunteers must complete a Participant Liability Release Form before serving.

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