

Mission Minute July 20, 2023 by Gail Collins



Happy summer, Socastee! This is the season when families trek across the country in search of adventure, kids are off to various camps, relatives visit...and visit...and visit again. (We never know how much people love us until we move to the beach, right?).

Traditionally, during the summer months, church calendars clear out a bit as certain activities take a brief hiatus. To a certain extent, this holds true here at Socastee as well. However, if you read our church bulletin, our Hands and Feet newsletter, or browse our website at socasteeumc.org, you will see that the amazing work for the glory of Jesus NEVER STOPS here at Socastee!

Numerous mission and ministry opportunities exist for the good people of SUMC even in the sweltering days of summer. Whether we donate items for Epworth's foster care or Blue Star Mothers Heroes' Boxes, cook and serve a meal for the homeless, rock a toddler in the church nursery, or financially support one or more of the worthy funds that ask for our help, we are doing the work of Christ.

If and when the list of opportunities seems overwhelming, we must pray that God will lead us to those that speak to our hearts. While it may not be possible for every person to always contribute to every cause, God will make known to us the areas where we are most needed. He will make it possible for us to know the joy of helping our church, our community, and our world in His name. We must ask for His guidance and celebrate Jesus through Socastee's rich missions, ministries, and programs.

Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

2 Corinthians 9:7