



THIS OFFERING TALK EXPLAINS THE VALUE OF UMCOR SUNDAY.

Has someone been on a Volunteer in Mission journey or part of a United Methodist Committee on Relief response team? Invite him or her to speak about the experience. Or maybe your congregation or community has experienced a natural or humanitarian disaster and UMCOR was part of the response. Has your congregation recently contributed to an UMCOR Advance project? In addition to these talking points, be sure to highlight any specific connections between your congregation and UMCOR.

Did you know that the United Methodist Committee on Relief doesn't receive apportionment funds?

Because of gifts received through offerings like UMCOR Sunday (formerly One Great Hour of Sharing), UMCOR can cover its administrative costs.

When we join with other United Methodists to support UMCOR, our gifts allow for an immediate response when floods, storms, earthquakes, fires and other disasters overwhelm communities in the United States and around the world. Through relationships with local organizations and trained community leaders, UMCOR activates its network and provides emergency funds as soon as urgent needs are known.

UMCOR truly is one of the best ways that we as, a local church, make a meaningful difference in the lives of people in our own backyards and around the world.

The UMCOR staff is very small. Because of churches like *(name congregation)*, UMCOR has been a beacon of hope throughout the world for nearly 80 years. We know firsthand how UMCOR is at work in our local communities responding to *(name any local disasters that affected your community, state or region in recent years)*.

- **WE ARE UMCOR** as we journey with people who long for healing and hope.
- **WE ARE UMCOR** when we provide school kits assembled by this congregation and shared with students around the world.
- **WE ARE UMCOR** when we receive today's offering to help cover administrative costs so that when a disaster strikes, the UMCOR network is in a position of strength to help our sisters and brothers in need.

THANK YOU FOR ALL THE WAYS THAT YOU JOIN WITH OTHER UNITED METHODISTS TO BRING THE TREASURE OF HEALING AND HOPE TO GOD'S CHILDREN AROUND THE WORLD.

PLEASE BE PART OF THE TRANSFORMATION. PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY.

