

# The House of the Carpenter

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## Ministry Covenant Partner

The House of the Carpenter is engaged in a ministry expansion project. This includes the building of a youth center attached to our current facility. It also means the expansion of ministry to address the needs of children and youth in poverty with the goal of ministering to the whole person. This holistic approach continues to meet their basic human needs, while also developing skills to enhance their lives, and addresses the spiritual longing we all have.

**PROMISE Ministry Covenant Partners** are individuals, congregations, United Methodist Women Units, Sunday School classes, youth groups, and others who have chosen to share in this ministry over the next two and a half years. The goal is to assist in the construction of the building, the development of the ministry and sharing of this ministry in new and exciting ways.

How do you become a **PROMISE Ministry Covenant Partner**? It begins by taking the steps necessary to accept the agreement on the reverse side of this document. The individual/group sets the covenant by filling in the blanks of the areas where you are willing to be in covenant. Some of the ideas for filling in the blanks are listed below. It is a voluntary agreement and the individual/organization creates the expectations.

**Pray:** (examples include but are not limited to)

- Beginning with the devotional Stories of Transformation, pray daily for the neighbors, staff, volunteers and the community. The devotional can also be used as part of a weekly bulletin insert.
- Incorporate prayers for the mission in communal prayers in worship and beyond
- Become aware of similar needs in my community and incorporate those in prayer

**Presence:** (examples include but are not limited to)

- Over the next 30 months visit the House of the Carpenter
- Have someone from the HOC make a presentation
- Participate in a mission training event

**Gifts:** (examples include but are not limited to)

- This is a long term project and annual commitments are helpful
- Make on one time gift
- If having a speaker, consider a special offering for the ministry

**Service:** (examples include but are not limited to)

- Participate in Undie Sunday
- Be part of a work team
- Conduct a food drive
- Volunteer at the HOC

**Witness:** (examples include but are not limited to)

- Tell someone else about the HOC
- Learn about the needs of the neighbors in our community
- If a ministry of the HOC fits the needs of my community
  - Get the procedure and policies from the HOC
  - Discuss how the ministry was developed and operates
  - Obtain coaching from the HOC staff
  - Implement the ministry locally

Once completed, the organization keeps a copy and forwards a copy to

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I/We \_\_\_\_\_ as a PROMISE Ministry Covenant Partner with the House of the Carpenter agree to invest in the work of ministry envisioned through the development of the HOC Youth Center. I/We share in the vision of a durable, sustainable ministry in the community, in Wheeling and beyond, that will generate transformation in ourselves, our neighbors and in the community at large. Therefore, I/we will be in covenant to:

**Be in Prayer by:**

**Be Present by:**

**To Give:**

For 2017\_\_\_\_\_

For 2018\_\_\_\_\_

For 2019\_\_\_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_

**To Serve by:**

**To be a Witness by:**

Adopted by \_\_\_\_\_ on (date)\_\_\_\_\_

Individual

Congregation

UM Women

Group\_\_\_\_\_

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