

hands on!

Photos by Dennis Loy for The Call

For weeks prior to Annual Conference, churches collected food, school, sewing, and health supplies for United Methodist missions in Liberia and Zimbabwe. The goods were collected the week of June 8 and dispatched to Africa on June 15. This year's Hands-on Mission Project provided 7,547 kits, with each district exceeding its goal.

Abingdon: Health kits for Zimbabwe. Goal: 300. Actual: 450.

Big Stone Gap: Sewing kits for Zimbabwe. Goal: 150. Actual: 283.

Chattanooga: School kits for Liberia. Goal: 400. Actual: 598.

Cleveland: School kits for Liberia. Goal: 300. Actual: 612.

Johnson City: School kits for Zimbabwe. Goal: 300. Actual: 902.

Kingsport: Health kits for Zimbabwe. Goal: 300. Actual: 647.

Knoxville: Health kits for Liberia. Goal: 400. Actual: 1,016.

Maryville: School kits for Liberia. Goal: 300. Actual: 509.

Morristown: School kits for Liberia. Goal: 300. Actual: 829.

Oak Ridge: School kits for Liberia. Goal: 250. Actual: 480.

Tazewell: Food buckets for Zimbabwe. Goal: 250. Actual: 699.

Wytheville: Food buckets for Zimbabwe. Goal: 300. Actual: 622.



School kits



Food buckets



JOHNSON CITY: District Superintendent Randy Frye loads school supply kits for Zimbabwe.



LAKE JUNALUSKA: Fairview Pastor Jerry Russell squeezes a few more kits into the ocean containers.



TAZEWELL: Loading food buckets for Zimbabwe are – from left to right – James Payne Jr. (driving the forklift); District Superintendent Don Nation; the Rev. Gordon McBride of North Tazewell/ Mt. Zion UMC; and Kyle Hurt of Mt. Zion UMC.