



FOCUSING ON CHILDREN & BASIC NEEDS

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February 2026

Outreach at White Memorial shows our members' faithful response to God's grace. We serve by working together with partners, locally and globally, building relationships, and sharing our time, talents and financial resources.

We extend our deepest gratitude to **Linda Nunnallee** for her exceptional service and unwavering dedication in leading Outreach at White Memorial Presbyterian Church as the interim director for over two years. Linda, your compassionate leadership and tireless efforts have profoundly touched our community, fostering growth and connection in countless ways. Your thoughtful commitment to serving others has been an inspiration to us all, and we are truly thankful for the positive impact you've made. As a cherished church member, we are thrilled that you will continue to be actively involved in Outreach. We wish you a wonderful retirement filled with joy and fulfillment. Thank you for being a guiding light in our outreach endeavors!



Upcoming Event

Agency Panels February 25 and March 25 in Geneva Hall

The Allocations Committee invites you to join us for two upcoming agency panel discussions that promise to be both enlightening and engaging! At WMPC, we cherish our commitment to fostering community connections, making these events a perfect reflection of that.

On Wednesday, **February 25**, we will focus on the pressing issue of food insecurity featuring agency partners: A Place at the Table, Meals on Wheels, Wake Relief and Oak City Cares. On **March 25**, our panel will delve into the needs of children and youth featuring agency partners: Note in the Pocket; Loaves & Fishes and Wake Monarch. Both evenings we will meet in Geneva Hall.

These gatherings are not just events; they are opportunities for us to come together, learn from our dedicated agency partners, and explore how we can collectively support their vital work in our community. The evening will kick off in Geneva Hall with the **Wednesday Together Dinner at 5:30 p.m.** You must register in advance for dinner allowing us to share a meal and strengthen our bonds before diving into thought-provoking **panel discussions at 6 p.m.** Each panelist will share their insights, and we encourage you to bring your questions and perspectives to the interactive Q&A session that follows. Let's embrace this chance to engage, learn, and collaborate in support of the agencies that are making a difference in the lives of many Wake County residents.

Current Collections

BackPack Buddies.

WMPC provides weekend meals for children at Oberlin Magnet Middle School, Lynn Road Elementary School and Lacy Elementary School, packing 300 bags monthly at a cost of approximately \$8 a bag. Please help by using the Amazon link below to purchase items and ship directly to WMPC or leave items in the red collection bins around campus. A shopping list can be found of the door to the Outreach room, K100.

[BACKPACK BUDDIES FOOD VIA AMAZON](#)

Many Churches, One Mission: Feeding Our Neighbors

A New Drive-Through Food Pantry for Our Community!

After the closure of the food pantry at Wilson Temple UMC, the Outreach Committee at White Memorial has partnered with the Oberlin Road Churches (St. John's Baptist, Wilson Temple UMC, and Oberlin Baptist) to address food insecurity in our community.

We are pleased to announce a new drive-through food pantry that will be open from **10 a.m. to 12 p.m.** on the first Saturday of every month starting **March 7, at St John's Baptist Church located at 1615A Oberlin Road.**

We need YOUR help with donations of non-perishable food items and volunteers. Donations of proteins (such as peanut butter, canned tuna, beans) and healthy snacks (raisins, Nutri grain bars, fruit pouches) can be left in the red bins outside the outreach room. To volunteer or if you have questions, email **Ruth Landers** or **Michelle Jeutter**.



A Note from Rev. Austin Vernon:

I'm truly honored and excited to join White Memorial as your new Associate Pastor for Outreach and Community Engagement. I look forward to meeting you and learning about all the ways you serve as Christ's hands and feet. With the guidance of the Holy Spirit, I believe we can share God's love in powerful ways with our neighbors in Raleigh and the wider world. If you have any questions or would like to set up

a meeting with me, please feel free to **email me**. Thank you for welcoming me into this vibrant community. I can't wait to serve alongside you!

If you're looking for different ways to serve in the new year, I encourage you to consider the upcoming opportunities below.

Service Opportunities

Sunday Service Pop-Up Project for Meals on Wheels:

Join us in supporting National Hot Breakfast Month by assembling breakfast bags for Meals on Wheels outside of Main Hall on **Sunday, February 22, from 10:15 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.**

Easter Basket Collections

We will be blessing the children of Mayview Learning Center, StepUp Ministry, Iglesia Santuario, and Loaves & Fishes with Easter Baskets. White Memorial will supply the empty baskets labeled with each child's name, gender and age along with a list of suggested items. Please pick up an empty basket from the Ross Lobby beginning **February 20**, fill it up and then return it to the church by **March 20**. We kindly ask that you do not remove the basket's tag when you return the filled basket.

FIGS of Wake County needs volunteers for event setup on **Friday, March 20**, and event assistance on **Saturday, March 21, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.** at Christ the King Lutheran Church in Cary. Sponsored by FIGS and WellCare, this supports the Wake NC Med Assist Free OTC Pharmacy. Contact **Beth Everly** to volunteer or for more info.

We will sponsor a Note in the Pocket Pop-Up event to allow our StepUp families to shop for free. The event will be held in Pickard Hall, and we need volunteers to assist with this event on **March 25, from 2 p.m. - 6 p.m.** To sign up or ask questions, email **Ruth Landers**.

King's Ridge

Volunteer opportunities are available at the newly opened on-site food pantry for residents. To volunteer at their food pantry contact **Gina Minton**. Additionally, you can support the King's Ridge Food Pantry by donating items through this **Amazon Gift List**.

Western North Carolina - Note in the Pocket

Sort and distribute winter clothes and blankets to our mountain partners on either **Wednesdays or Thursdays from 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.** at The Loading Dock. We are also still in need of couriers to WNC. Please contact **Sherri Miller**.



Report on Ministry Partner - Santuario Iglesia

Please take a moment to read the attached report detailing Santuario Iglesia's history with WMPC and a 2025 recap, courtesy of Phil Lambert.

Santuario Iglesia Update 2025

Thank You



Thanks for your generosity this Christmas season to Christmas Share. \$36,000 was raised and will bless our agency partners.



At **A Place at the Table**, we are proud to be Raleigh's only pay-what-you-can restaurant. Diners choose from a full menu and pay what they can, whether it's the suggested price, more, less, or by volunteering. We also



offer free meals through Place Cards, available via partner nonprofits, and provide meals for food-insecure families.

We're excited to introduce our new **catering** service that can bring fresh, delicious meals to you. In the last few months, A Place at the Table has had the joy of feeding more teams, more gatherings, and more community events than ever before through catering where we offer a diverse range of flavorful dishes, crafted with the finest ingredients. We would love to be helpful as you plan your next event!

Reach out to **Tyler** at A Place at the Table for more information on catering. To volunteer to help serve meals, run food, and create a welcoming space for all, please email **Kay**.

"We are incredibly grateful for our partnership with WMPC", said Maggie Kane, Founder and Executive Director. "You have supported us from our early pop-up days with financial aid, volunteers, and prayers. Thank you for feeding your people and ours and for being part of this with us since the very beginning! Your support means the world to us, we could not do it without you!"

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Knitting Group in room R400 contact: **Faye Senter**
9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

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Serve a Meal at Shepherds Table contact: **Jan Stewart**
10:00 a.m.

Note in the Pocket contact: **Sherri Miller**
1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

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1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

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1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

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1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

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Sewing Group in room C200 contact: **Sally McLaurin**
9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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Note in the Pocket contact: **Sherri Miller**
1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

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1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

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Pop Up Service Project for Shepherd's Table Soup Kitchen
10:15 - 11:00 a.m. - outside of Geneva Hall

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Note in the Pocket contact: [Sherri Miller](#)
1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Agency Panels in Geneva Hall
5:30 p.m. Dinner
6:00 p.m. Panel

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Note in the Pocket contact: [Sherri Miller](#)
1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

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If you are interested in joining an Outreach Committee, contact the appropriate leader below:

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Iglesia Santuario Chair: [Phil Lambert](#)

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