

FOOD PACKING IS FEBRUARY OUTREACH OF THE MONTH

Likely, either you or someone you know at ULC has volunteered for one of the “God’s Work, Our Hands” food packing events. In 2015, we packaged over 10,000 dehydrated meals and in both 2016 and 2017, we packaged over 14,000 meals! We have teamed with the Islamic Center each year and plans are underway to hold another food packing event in 2018.

Where do you fit in? We need lots of volunteers to pack the food – and that’s the fun part. We also need to buy the dehydrated food to package. The food only costs 28 cents per meal. Each packing event consists of a minimum of 10,000 meals, so the minimum total cost is \$2,800. In 2015, the Youth Ministry fund primarily paid for the food supplies. In 2016, ULC’s Endowment fund paid for half of the cost and the Islamic Center funded the other half. In 2017, ULC members contributed \$2,017 through an Outreach of the Month and the Islamic Center contributed \$1,400! The Islamic Center is interested in partnering again with us in 2018.

We need your help to reach the goal of \$2,018. February’s Outreach of the Month is the 2018 Food Packing event. You can help feed hungry people in East Lansing (one-third of the meals were given to the MSU Student Food Bank in 2016 & 2017) and around the world by donating. Make checks out to “ULC” with Food Packing on the memo line or use envelopes in the backs of the pews to donate cash – just write “Food Packing” on the outside of the envelope and place it in the offering plate. You can also donate via the PayPal button at the bottom of the homepage; just designate “Food Packing.”

Oh, and one more opportunity! If you are interested in helping plan the event, please talk with me. This is a great opportunity to spend time getting to know members of the Islamic Center and the Imam.

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