

Afghanistan: Schools, Homes, and Hope in a Nation in Crisis

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- **Millions fled their homes.** UMCOR provides building materials, and most families reconstruct their own living areas through “self help” assistance. Now some 340 homes are ready for families to occupy.
- **Children lost their school buildings.** UMCOR workers distribute school kits and rehabilitate damaged school buildings so that girls and boys now studying under tents can continue their educations.
- **Thousands still carry weapons.** UMCOR assists with job training for former child soldiers who hope to rejoin their communities as productive citizens. Many Afghans have known only a life of fighting and war.
- **A nation's infrastructure was destroyed.** UMCOR is building health clinics and schools, dispersing small loans so entrepreneurs can start businesses, and providing seeds, livestock, or poultry so rural residents can earn a decent living.
- **New funding will underwrite new clinics and schools.** Some 60 new buildings will rise under UMCOR management in the next months. A grant from the United States Agency for International Development provides this extension of United Methodist service in Afghanistan, a nation in crisis.

United Methodist gifts have assisted families in Afghanistan to find their way home after a twenty-four-year war.

Here are some ways you can continue to be there.

- \$ **12.00** Provide one school kit for a child
- \$ **100.00** Underwrite seeds and tools for a farmer
- \$ **500.00** Provide a well
- \$ **1000.00** Buy a pregnant cow and barn for one family

United Methodists can be proud of their contributions to this work. As is its practice in all projects UMCOR seeks the involvement of community and religious leaders. This ensures a holistic and integrated response, true to Christ's mandate to serve heart, mind, spirit, and body. Please consider continuing your empowerment of such ministries in Afghanistan through a gift.

How to Give

Your contributions to **UMCOR Advance #602225, Afghanistan Emergency** will help continue to make Afghanistan a safer place to live. Write the # and name of the project on your offering envelope and in the memo line of your check.

- By Offering** For local church and Annual Conference credit, put your gift in the offering plate on Sunday.
- By Check** Make your check to **UMCOR** and send to UMCOR, 475 Riverside Dr., Room 330, New York, NY 10115.
- By Credit Card** Call toll-free (800) 554-8583

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