

# *Charlotte District E-Pistle*

April 2, 2008

Colleagues:

The Metropolitan Charlotte CROP Walk is the largest Church World Service walk in the nation and is one event that unites the efforts of such a broad spectrum of denominational participation in Mecklenburg County. In order for this record to be sustained, the promotion of this event takes place throughout the year.

CROP has a new local director, Barbara Thomas, who has met with me regarding the 2008 CROP Walk. She would like to have several United Methodist laity to serve with her regarding the planning and promotional components of the event. Please send to my office the name and contact information regarding some person in your church who is passionate about this activity of mission/outreach.

Barbara, likewise, needs general volunteers. She would like for you to post the following ad in your upcoming newsletters, church bulletins and agency mailings in order to form a network of 'year round' CROP Hunger Walk volunteers:

## **Volunteers Needed for CROP Hunger Walk Preparations:**

**Volunteers are needed year round, for the Charlotte Crop Hunger Walk to promote and organize what is needed for the walk to happen in October. Volunteer help is needed with Phone calls, filing, and many other tasks starting this month. Many tasks can be completed from your home. Make a difference to hungry people here and around the world! To volunteer or learn more, please call the CWS/CROP Walk office at 704-333-9255.**

**"Sticks in a bundle are unbreakable" (African Proverb)**

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Please communicate this need in an appropriate way in you church.

I always look forward to walking in this extraordinary event of Christian unity.

Grace and peace,

*George*