



13th Annual TriState Relief Sale July 15 & 16, 2011

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MCC – A Table for Sharing

Mennonite Central Committee personnel have been working hard to make the world a better place, thanks to funds received in part by relief sales such as TriState Relief Sale. MCC is working in Haiti to help rebuild 516 homes for disabled residents with the help of local masons. In Lebanon, Palestinian refugees are learning to use compost bins to help raise a greater abundance of food and to slow down the improper disposal of trash leading to disease. Go to www.mcc.org to learn more about MCC operations.

**The American Institute of Philanthropy's
Charity Watch gives MCC an "A" rating.**



Upcoming Events

April 16 - Spring Workday, Springs MC, Springs, PA

9:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M. Quilting, sewing, woodwork.

Bring a friend and a covered dish

May 7 - Big Valley Bike/Hike for Relief, Maple Grove MC,
Belleville, PA, 9:00 A.M. – 12:00 Noon (*see following*)

May 15 – MCC Musicale, Kaufman MC, Davidsville, PA,
7:00 P.M., Vocal and instrumental performances, donation

Bring your friends and family and bike or hike for relief for MCC Saturday May 7. Registration begins at 8:30 A.M. The first 20 persons in each event with donations or pledges totaling \$25.00 will receive a T-Shirt. To obtain details and a sponsor form, go to www.tristatesale.org, your church foyer or contact Alan or Nancy Kauffman 717-935-9965, 717-935-2513 ank@pa.net.

Reminder – quilts need to be submitted by May 30.

Millions of the world's poorest people don't have enough to eat and the numbers are rapidly growing. **If you would like a Penny Power representative to give a short story time at your church, call above #.** Penny Power posters & ideas – go to www.tristatesale.org "Resources".

Watch future newsletters to see how you can partner with MCC for specific projects.

"Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received." I Peter 4:10

TriState could use your gift to enable MCC to help others. Won't you take a moment to read over the following list to see where your gift fits? If your gift is not on the list, please contact us.

- Auction items** including quilts, rugs, wall hangings, services, woodwork, antiques, specialty items, gift baskets, plus ?
- Silent Auction items** including antique and unique, gift baskets, plus?
- Children's Auction items** including new and handcrafted
- Helpers in the Children's Activity area** on Saturday (activities will be organized, helpers needed)
- Claims volunteers** – Give sold auction items to buyers on Saturday in claims area.
- Market Place items** including baked goods, plants, handcrafts, craft magazines and supplies (clean out that closet!)
- Have signs** for the sale prepared and in place
- Sandwich Booth** – Friday evening
- Host a fundraiser in your area**
- Produce the auction booklet**
- **Information Booth volunteer** – Saturday
- Activity coordinator** – make contacts for car show, surrey rides, hay rides
- Create a Poster**
- Be available days of sale for first aid treatment**
- Donors for food supplies**
- Clean aprons after sale** (permanent press)
- Volunteers to take photos, fold, measure and bag quilts, and hold quilts for photos in preparation for quilt sale** (one day in June)
- Assist with auction** (carry items, quilts and wood etc.)
- Greet attendees** – Saturday
- Give rides on the Giant Penny**
- Champion a Penny Power program** in your church
- Save your coin for Penny Power** – take to sale or send a check for amount
- Match the full amount or percentage of your church or family's Penny Power collection**
- Host a meal in your home to receive donations for MCC**
- Organize a group to prepare baked items or crafts**

Questions? – contact 814-445-6945, 814-442-4594 or daheberg2@aol.com
For Craft/Quilt guidelines or Penny Power ideas & posters, go to www.tristatesale.org and click on "Resources".