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## A Place at the Table

**A Place at the Table (APATT) is a pay-what-you-can café. This café's mission is to provide community and healthy food for all regardless of means. While service had to be limited to take-out during COVID, the café is now open again for indoor and outdoor dining! When ordering meals, you can pay the suggested donation or pay more for your meal to pay-it-forward, APATT has also expanded their space and menu to serve more people! 50-70 people can dine inside and 20 or so can dine outside. The restaurant is located at 300 W. Hargett Street in downtown Raleigh and is open 8am – 2pm Tuesday- Sunday.**

*SAPC Advocate Sherry Hay says, "The café is here for all of us, building community and providing healthy food for all, regardless of means."*

Contact Sherry at [table@sapc.com](mailto:table@sapc.com) | Visit A Place at The Table at [tableraleigh.org](http://tableraleigh.org)



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### How A Place at the Table will use your donation:

\$5 coffee for two

\$10 meal

\$15 t-shirt for a meal volunteer (someone who cannot afford a tshirt)

\$50 pays for a meal for a family of 6

\$100 picks up the check at the community table

\$130 pays for a regular meal volunteer to attend ServSafe, something needed to work in the restaurant industry

\$250 helps us keep the lights on! (Contribute toward our utilities)

\$500 helps us pay the rent

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## BackPack Buddies

**BackPack Buddies is part of the Interfaith food Shuttle (IFFS). Since 1989, IFFS programs have helped stamp out hunger in the 7 greater triangle area counties. The BackPack program delivers enough food to students for the weekend. Some of these students are homeless or their families just need a little extra help!**

*SAPC Advocate Kitty Burlington says, "Again, this year has been different due to COVID restrictions at the church and at WCPSS schools. We have temporarily suspended the program at the church until we can collect, pack and deliver food to River Bend Elementary as we have done in the past years. In lieu of this, our church has donated money to the BackPack Program to help support 20 boxes of pre-packaged food that are delivered to River Bend Elementary each week. Please know that your donations will help feed children in Wake County. Thank you for your support over the years. It is still needed this year."*

Contact Kitty at [backpacks@sapc.com](mailto:backpacks@sapc.com) | [foodshuttle.org](http://foodshuttle.org)



### How BackPack Buddies will use your donation:

\$10 gives one child a backpack filled with food

\$25 provides 54 cartons of milk to share between backpacks

\$35 supplies one child a month's worth of filled backpacks

\$350 supplies one child a school years' worth of filled backpacks

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## Faith Ministry

**Faith Ministry focuses on creating a community of faith in the border colonias of Reynosa and Miguel Aleman, Mexico. Specific ministry initiatives include housing, evangelism, medical care, and education. During the Covid-19 pandemic, Faith Ministry has used its staff and resources to provide food, health care and spiritual support to the communities they serve.**

*SAPC Advocate Mike Schley says, "Faith Ministry is special to me because of the chance to work with and alongside the community we are serving."*

*Contact Mike at [mexico@sapc.com](mailto:mexico@sapc.com). | Visit Faith Ministry at [faithministry.org](http://faithministry.org)*

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### How Faith Ministry will use your donation:

\$5 supplies a concrete block for a home

\$10 buys a bucket

\$20 purchases a bag of cement for roof (each house needs 20 bags)

\$25 buys infant formula

\$35 feeds a child breakfast for a month

\$100 ensures prescription antibiotics for the clinic

\$150 supplies a door for a home

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## Haiti Reforestation Partnership

**The vision of the Haiti Reforestation Partnership (HRP) and the people of CODEP (the Comprehensive Development Project) remains to partner with God and the people of Haiti to bring back a healthy, sustainable land to feed and nourish her people. Join us as we continue our 30-year quest to partner and change the landscape of Haiti by planting our next 15 million trees and educate future leaders through the new Mentorship Program. Learn more at [www.haitireforest.org](http://www.haitireforest.org)**

*SAPC member and HRP Advisory Board Member Elizabeth Lusk says, "I have hiked the CODEP mountains and witnessed strength through faith and community. I have seen the short survivalist view change to the long investment view that tree planting requires. The trees have protected the land from the erosive power of hurricanes, fed and housed the faithful, and shaded family gatherings."*

Contact Elizabeth at [haiti@sapc.com](mailto:haiti@sapc.com) | [haitireforest.org](http://haitireforest.org)



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How Haiti Reforestation Project will use your donation:

\$15 purchases school supplies

\$20 buys hoes, shovels, machetes to prepare the land for planting

\$25 plants 100 forest, fruit, and coffee trees

\$30 secures water treatment tablets for safe drinking water

\$50 sends a child to primary school for a year

\$100 sends a child to secondary school for a year

\$200 buys a ton of fertilizer for gardens and new forest seedling

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## Loaves & Fishes

**Loaves and Fishes (LAF) empowers low-income K-12 youth and their families to overcome individual challenges in order to achieve healthier and more fulfilling lives. Sustaining these programs for more than 30 years, LAF provides positive intervention to more than 50 children and 125 family members.**

*Joe Burmester, Director of LAF, notes "I have watched many of these children grow and thrive with the support and love of the LAF family. These are bright children who just need a little TLC to help them bloom where they have been planted.*

*Valerie Hubbard, who coordinates the SAPC Angel Tree Project for LAF, loves that this mission supports a program that helps children in our own community. "When I was a teacher for WCPSS, I saw so many kids that were in tough situations from no fault of their own. Programs like this offer help and hope for a better future."*

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### How LAF will use your donation:

\$15 buys school supplies for a semester for a child

\$50 buys thumb drives for 10 students to support their homework requirements

\$100 supports 15 students with an outing at a museum or play

\$125 provides healthy snacks for all students for a week

\$250 keeps the buses running for a month's transportation to and from school

\$500 covers the registration of 12 children to summer day camps for 2 months

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## Meals on Wheels

**Meals on Wheels (MOW) provides nutritious meals to the homebound elderly and persons with disabilities in order to improve health, reduce isolation, and prevent inappropriate institutionalization. Following adjustments made due to COVID, MOW has resumed providing a warm, nutritious meal Monday through Friday either delivered at home from 12 volunteer pickup locations (including Saint Andrews) or served at one of the eight Friendship Cafes where seniors can have noon meals and socialize with friends. MOW currently serves 1,400 elderly and homebound clients in Wake County. Volunteers to deliver meals are always needed.**

*SAPC Advocate Tom Cogswell says, "I have been delivering meals for Meals on Wheels for many years, and it has been very rewarding to see the gratitude of the people who are served. We need to make sure that these deserving people continue to receive the help that Meals on Wheels provides."*



### How MOW will use your donation:

\$20 provides meals for one person for one week

\$35 provides food warmers so that meals are delivered warm

\$50 buys gasoline gift cards for Meals on Wheels volunteers

\$80 secures one month of meals for a senior neighbor

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## North Raleigh Ministries

**North Raleigh Ministries (NRM) envisions a vibrant, healthy community where each person reaches their full potential. They work toward this by equipping families and individuals in crisis with the resources and skills they need to achieve stability through the Food Pantry, Guidance & Prayer, and the Journey Program. NRM walks alongside their clients and moves them from crisis to a thriving life built on a firm foundation of spiritual, mental and financial health.**

*SAPC representative Karen Weber says "I have volunteered at North Raleigh Ministries for six years in the thrift shop and two years ago I started working in the food pantry. My work there has been so rewarding that I recently volunteered to assist with the Journey program. It's special to be able to work on both sides of the organization: to greet the shoppers and help them with their purchases and then to see the new programming to help our neighbors in need."*

*Contact Karen at [nrm@sapc.com](mailto:nrm@sapc.com). / Visit NRM at [northraleighministries.com](http://northraleighministries.com)*

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### How NRM will use your donation:

\$15 provides six weekend meals for a hungry child

\$50 provides a bag of groceries for a family

\$100 provides a family with one month of utilities

\$500 keeps a family in their home

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## Presbyterian Campus Ministry

**Presbyterian Campus Ministry (PCM) seeks to reach out to students of NC State University, William Peace University, and Meredith College. PCM provides Christian fellowship and faith growth experiences.**

*SAPC Advocate Anne Stark, says, "As a former participant in PCM, I know how important it is to find a community - especially when you might be away from your home, and home church, for the first time."*

*Contact Anne at [astark@sapc.com](mailto:astark@sapc.com). | PCM is online at [pcmraleigh.org](http://pcmraleigh.org)*



### How PCM will use your donation:

\$10 feeds two students a fellowship dinner

\$50 provides scholarship money for a student retreat

\$100 ensures enough fuel for a vanload of students to go on retreat

\$350 provides a scholarship for one student mission project

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# Refugee Ministries

## Brown Bag Ministry

**Brown Bag Ministry program is part of the broader Refugee Support Ministry and is based on Matthew 25:35. Your donations help to ensure nutritious lunch items are available to families. The goal of Brown Bag Ministry (BBM) is to meet the immediate needs of those who are food insecure, but also to let those we serve know they are loved!**

Saint Andrews has graciously extended its financial and hands-on support in partnership with St. Philip Lutheran Church on the second and fourth Saturday mornings each month. Volunteers gather to pack and deliver over 500 lunches as well as diapers to refugee families at Cedar Point Apartments.

*To become involved in Brown Bag Ministry contact Beth Mielcarek at [brownbagministry@sapc.com](mailto:brownbagministry@sapc.com).*



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## Rise Against Hunger

**Rise Against Hunger (RAH) is driven by the vision of a world without hunger. Driving RAH's work is the recognition that ending hunger is more than just feeding people. This has led RAH to focus its feeding programs in areas where they can have a real impact and expand their hunger-fighting programs beyond meal packaging and distribution. RAH is based in Raleigh but operates meal packaging programs worldwide. In 2020, 2.8 million lives were impacted by RAH meals and other assistance in 78 countries. At Saint Andrews, we have been packaging over 20,000 meals each year. Next year, with you help we can surpass 100,000 meals packed since we began partnering with RAH. Each meal costs about 34 cents. Therefore, the more volunteers and financial support, the more meals we can pack.**

*SAPC representative for Rise Against Hunger, Elizabeth Lusk, says, "Since our first packaging event in 2015 when we packed 10,000 meals, we have packaged more than 94,000 meals. This intergenerational event has been well-attended. God is truly working among us, inspiring and energizing the church through our families, youth and individual church members"*

*Contact Elizabeth at [RAH@sapc.com](mailto:RAH@sapc.com) | [riseagainsthunger.org](http://riseagainsthunger.org)*



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## How Missions will use your donation:

Monies donated to the SAPC Rise Against Hunger fund will go toward the \$6,800 needed for the next meal packaging event. Your financial contribution will help our congregation provide assistance to those in need around the globe: nourishing lives, responding to emergencies, and empowering communities. Thank you.

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## SAPC Youth in Mission

**SAPC youth know there are needs in North Carolina, in our country, and across the globe! In 2022 our youth will travel to a rural community in the mountains of Tennessee, West Virginia, Virginia or Kentucky to serve with Appalachia Service Project. Our middle school youth hope to serve in Charlotte, NC, with various organizations through the CROSS Missions Project**

*SAPC Contact Anne Stark says, "Youth trips provide essential time for building relationships and seeing God work in the world! As our youth learn more about each other and bond through shared experiences, they are also challenged to respond to God's call to love and serve others."*

Contact Anne at [astark@sapc.com](mailto:astark@sapc.com).

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### How Youth Ministries will use your donation:

- \$10 purchases devotional materials for two SAPC youth
- \$15 provides a partial mission scholarship for an SAPC high schooler
- \$20 supports traveling to and serving in South Dakota
- \$35 secures first aid supplies for youth mission trips
- \$50 offers partial mission scholarship for an SAPC high schooler

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# Thank you!

The SAPC Outreach Committee thanks you for supporting the annual Alternative Giving program. Your gifts to these ministries honor your friends and family while changing lives and giving hope.

If you haven't already taken that step to experience 'hands-on outreach ministry' at SAPC, I want to encourage you to get involved! SAPC offers many opportunities to serve our community and the world. No matter your skills, interests, and time available, there's an opportunity just right for you! Serving will change your life through new relationships and fulfilling experiences. You and your family can be the hands and feet of Christ in our community in ministries like:

- North Raleigh Ministries is open and helping people through their thrift store and crisis center
- Rise Against Hunger is hosting food packing events
- Meals on Wheels, Backpack Buddies and Brown Bag Ministries/Refugee Ministries are providing food and services to people in our community who are in need.
- Loaves and Fishes and Refugee Ministries is providing children with homework help.

And that's only a few of the places SAPC is serving!

On the preceding pages, you'll find contact information for the person at SAPC who coordinates our support for each ministry. If you're interested in one of these ministries and would like to learn more about supporting and serving, please send them an e-mail.

So consider yourselves invited! "Carry one another's burdens and you'll fulfill the law of Christ." (Galatians 6:2)

Jeff Adkins, Elder for Outreach

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