



Together for Hope
Appalachia

Together for Hope [Prayer, Missions, Advocacy, Supporting] Partner Church

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The Church Covenants to

1. Learn about the work of TFH Hope Appalachia, asset based community development, understanding the root causes of poverty in Appalachia, getting to know ministry partners and field personnel, and share the story of Appalachia.
2. Report on TFH Appalachia related budget, ministries, volunteers, hours, persons served, if applicable.
3. Other TBD
4. Activities below depending on the church's interests and the needs of TFH.

Prayer Partner Church (options)

- Enlist a prayer contact person.
- Pray for the work of TFH Hope Appalachia toward poverty alleviation through asset based community development, the four priorities of hope, and for our ministry partners and field personnel.
- Organize prayer within the congregation (for example printing and distribution of a prayer guide, receiving and sharing prayer requests from TFH Appalachia partners and friends, etc.).
- Other specific prayer actions depending on the interest and mission of the church.

Missions Partner Church (options)

- Choose a TFH county or community to partner with.
- Visit [Region] (or specific county, mission site, or ministry) and engage in asset based community development, serve, build relationships, carry out mission trips, invite Appalachian friends to your church and community, etc.
- Assist with asset mapping in TFH counties through internet searches, phone calls, and/or visits.
- Engage in mission in partnership with TFH Appalachia within one or more of the four Priorities of Hope: 1. Education, 2. Health & Nutrition, 3. Housing & Environment, 4. Social Enterprise.
- Other specific mission actions depending on the interest and mission of the church.

Advocacy Partner Church (options)

- Enlist an Advocacy Committee, Advocacy Team, and/or Advocacy Leader/Contact Person.
- Advocate for issues of importance to poverty alleviation in Appalachia.
- Educate the congregation concerning issues of importance to poverty alleviation in Appalachia.
- Other specific advocacy actions depending on the interest and mission of the church.

Supporting Partner Church (options)

- Support the work of TFH Appalachia financially at _____ per year.
- Provide material resources (for example: building materials, food, clothing, Christmas items, etc.).
- Provide additional support depending on the interest, mission, and means of the church.

TFH Hope Appalachia covenants to

1. Work hard every day at poverty alleviation in the 57 counties of persistent poverty in Appalachia through asset based community development, emphasizing the four Priorities of Hope: Education, Housing & Environment, Health & Nutrition, and Social Enterprise.
2. Recognize [your church] as a Together for Hope Appalachia Partner.
3. Serve as a liaison for your partnership relationship with one of the Together for Hope counties. Assist with making connections with ministry sites, planning, training, mission trips, mission projects, etc.
4. Visit your church, when invited, to speak, teach, train, display, meet with staff, missions committee, or small group or to simply worship, pray, or study the Bible with you.
5. Provide regular newsletters and updates about the work of TFH Appalachia.
6. Provide prayer requests from TFH partners and friends.
7. Be transparent and accountable in all aspects of the administration of TFH Appalachia.

Church Partner

Date

Together for Hope Regional, Vice Pres.

Date



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Friend of Together for Hope Appalachia Church Partnership

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[Church] Covenants to

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2. Report on TFH Appalachia related budget, ministries, volunteers, hours, persons served, if applicable.
3. Support the work of TFH Appalachia financially at _____ [suggested- \$500/\$1000 or more depending on the means and mission of the church] per year.
4. Send a representative to the TFH Appalachia Annual Meeting.
5. Additional activities below depending on the church's interests and the needs of TFH.

Prayer Partner Church (options)

- Enlist a prayer contact person.
- Pray for the work of TFH Hope Appalachia toward poverty alleviation through asset based community development, the four priorities of hope, and for our ministry partners and field personnel.
- Organize prayer within the congregation (for example printing and distribution of a prayer guide, receiving and sharing prayer requests from TFH Appalachia partners and friends, etc.).

- Other specific prayer actions depending on the interest and mission of the church.

Engage in Asset Based Community Development Missions

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- Other specific mission actions depending on the interest and mission of the church.

Advocacy Partner Church (options)

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- Advocate for issues of importance to poverty alleviation in Appalachia.
- Educate the congregation concerning issues of importance to poverty alleviation in Appalachia.
- Other specific advocacy actions depending on the interest and mission of the church.

Supporting Partner Church (options)

- Provide material resources (for example: building materials, food, clothing, Christmas items, etc.).
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Together for Hope Capstone Church [Not Available Yet]

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TFH Capstone Church [Church] Covenants to

1. Complete the Deep Soil curriculum
2. Learn about the work of TFH Hope Appalachia, asset based community development, understanding the root causes of poverty in Appalachia, getting to know ministry partners and field personnel, and share the story of Appalachia.
3. Report on TFH Appalachia related budget, ministries, volunteers, hours, persons served, if applicable.
4. Support the work of TFH Appalachia financially at _____ [suggested- \$500/\$1000 or more depending on the means and mission of the church] per year.
5. Send a representative to the TFH Appalachia Annual Meeting.
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7. Additional activities below depending on the churches interests and the needs of TFH.

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- Organize prayer within the congregation (for example printing and distribution of a prayer guide, receiving and sharing prayer requests from TFH Appalachia partners and friends, etc.).
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Supporting Partner Church (options)

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