Volunteers are needed for the Littlestown Community Food Pantry on Wednesday, October 25 from 1pm – 6pm;   please consider volunteering for an hour or more. Because of limited parking available on our lot, we ask that volunteers park at Redeemers Church across the street. If you have, please wear your red church shirt when you volunteer at the food pantry to show your love from Barts Centenary. We are encouraging others to do the same from their churches and work places. The Littlestown Community Food Pantry will be held on the fourth Wednesday of each month. Volunteers from our church and the community are very much needed and always welcomed.
**NOTE: November and December adjusted dates (for holiday season)**

**November 15 & December 20**

**LITTLESTOWN COMMUNITY NEW HOPE FOOD PANTRY**

**New Hope's Ministries (NHM) Mobile Littlestown Food Pantry,** sponsored by the Littlestown Ministerium of Churches generally takes place **on the 4th Wednesday's of the month and open to guests from 3pm to 5pm.**  **Volunteers** are always wanted and **needed from 1pm to 6pm**to set up, assist guests, take down the mobile pantry supplies and equipment, etc. (see list of duties below**\*\***).  This well received community ministry is hosted by Barts Centenary United Methodist Church (BCUMC), 50 E. King Street, Littlestown.  This service expansion in Littlestown also allows those residing in Littlestown to receive ongoing services through the Hanover Center at any time of the month.

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NHM is a Christian, accredited, state-registered nonprofit organization with a proven track record in the communities it serves.  The food distribution model that NHM offers includes self-select shopping based on family size, nutrition, and food preparation education, as well as on-site staff and volunteer support and information about other programs that are designed to help lift people out of poverty.  For more than 34 years, NHM has helped people with basic needs including food, rent and mortgage assistance, heat and utility assistance, and transportation assistance. They also offer programs that help people find jobs and acquire employable skills, and run educational programs like budget, GED and Nurse Aide classes. All these services are available to eligible individuals living in Littlestown regardless of race, age, gender or religious affiliation.

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***DO YOU NEED HELP OR KNOW OF SOMEONE OR/FAMILY WHO DOES?***

**If you do know of those in need of help with food, learning budgeting skills, finding a job, or dealing with a financial crisis, please tell them to contact NHM at (717)698-3365 as soon as possible.**

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**\*\***There are many volunteer opportunities, such as:

– unloading/loading trucks,

-  stocking shelves,

-  manning the hospitality table,

-  donating cookies and drinks for the hospitality table,

-  serving as personal shoppers to assist guests in choosing their foods,

-  helping guests to their cars with food bags and much more.

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Pam Driscoll, Food Program Manager of NHM Hanover Center will be the primary contact for volunteers. She can be reached at (717) 698-3365 ext. 509.  Members of NHM Leadership Team, including, Eric Saunders, MSW, LCSW, Executive Director, Molly Helmstetter, CFRE, Director of Development, and Sue Fornicola, Program Director.

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Rev. Sterling L. Fritz, President, Littlestown Ministerium

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**Doing for Others is Doing for Christ**

***Matthew 25:35-40* “For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me,  I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.’  Then the righteous will answer him, saying, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink?**

**And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothed you?  And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?’  And the King will answer them, ‘Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.”**

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***Luke 6:38***

Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and

running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be

measured to you.”