

Helping Hands!
A Children's Message
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She was well-known for doing good and helping out!
Acts 9:36 (The Message)

There was a woman in the Bible named Dorcas, who was a disciple of the Lord Jesus. She is described as a well known person for doing good and helping others. In other words, she was always willing to serve God through helping people.

How many of you are good helpers? Have you helped others in need? Are you willing to help others in different parts of the world? The Cumberland Presbyterian Church is looking for helping hands willing to assist our missionaries around to world to bring the good news of Jesus Christ to many people in need of love and a personal encounter with God.

Dorcas, as a disciple of Jesus, offered her gifts to make a difference in the lives of others. As Christians, all of us have received the gifts of goodwill and help from others. There are some CP women's ministries that have made bread to sell and raise funds for missionaries. A CP youth group in Kentucky sells soda cans to raise funds to pay for medical appointments for children in our CP clinic in Guatemala. Some CP churches support missionary work through special offerings, and many CP children's ministries make special noisy offerings with coins to support our missionaries around the world.

In the same way that Dorcas made the difference in others, we can do it too. We can join our efforts with many other Cumberland Presbyterian brothers and sisters to support our CP missionaries who are serving many people through bringing the love of God to them and proclaiming good news and a new life in Christ. Remember that God is more than glad to use your helping hands to help others!

Let us pray: Dear God you are the greatest helper in the world. We are your children and we would like to do good deeds and help others. Help us to share your love and grace with others. We give you thanks for our missionaries and we ask you to help them through us and others to accomplish your call of proclaiming the good news of Christ to all nations. In Christ we pray. Amen!