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VIRGINIA Mennonite Relief Sale

Congregational Newsletter 2

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Sudan: Coming Home

This year one of the projects the sale will support internationally is MCC's Sudan: Coming Home project. Trauma healing, peace building, food relief, agriculture projects, and HIV/AIDS education and care are helping with recovery and rebuilding as people return to their communities in southern Sudan after a 22 year civil war shattered the area.



Here are some examples of what your funds will provide:

- **\$20** will train one person to become a Peace Mobilizer, to help shift thinking from a culture of war to one of peaceful living
- **\$75** provides half the cost of a sewing machine for a graduate of the womens tailoring class
- **\$175** will provide seeds, garden tools, and agricultural training to create a community garden plot

How can YOU help?

Donations needed!

- Items for the farmer's market— jams, jellies, relishes, etc.
- Auction items—work with your Sunday School class or small group to provide a themed gift basket, gourmet meal, trip, or anything else! Be creative! At a recent Relief Sale in another state, a **unique quilt made out of Harley Davidson t-shirts sold for \$3,100!**
- Pies, pies, and more pies! This is the most popular baked good item that we run out of every year.

Volunteer

- **Country Corner** (hand crafted items, needlework, stuffed animals, etc.): Need a volunteer to organize and help run the area. Contact Dave Rush.
- To make regular updates to the Relief Sale **Facebook** page. Contact Lisa Lehman.
- **Small group or a church with at least 15 volunteers to run the Strawberry Pie booth.** Contact Dave Rush.

What will be NEW this year?

A number of things are in the works, but one new item we can tell you about is that there will be some delicious bags of Kettle Corn for you to enjoy!

Coming soon to the website— photos of auction items already donated!

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