

2009 Detroit Annual Conference

Thursday, May 14

through

Sunday, May 17

Opening worship begins at 9 am on Thursday followed by the first plenary session. The Service of Ordination and Commissioning will begin Sunday at 4 pm.

The full schedule is posted on the **Conference website:**

www.umc-detconf.org

Haiti Container Project 2009 Detroit Annual Conference

Here is the information about filling the Haiti Container at Annual Conference:

The Haiti Container contributions are limited to basic UMCOR kits. We also collect choir and pastor robes, and used eye glasses in a case. These all must be in new or good condition. Your church may also purchase medicine boxes.

We will be shipping four different kits: School, Health, Sewing, and Layette Kits. All items in the kits must be new. These descriptions must be followed precisely.

The utilization of large (14-18 gallon size) plastic tubs for the kits with tight-fitting lids will ensure clean, dry, rodent/insect-free goods and provide much-needed storage containers for the Haitian people and schools. Each tub contains one type of kit and must have a secure label.

Each tub costs \$20 to ship and checks should be made out to the Detroit An-

nual Conference marked "For Haitian Container Delivery" .

During annual conference, tubs may be dropped off at the container beginning the morning of Thursday, May 14. Tubs will be accepted up until 12 pm on Sunday, May 17.

Medicine boxes may be purchased at \$465 each. This includes a \$30 charge for shipping and handling. Checks are due to the Conference office by March 1. Make checks out to;

Detroit Annual Conference
Attention: Treasury
1309 N. Ballenger Hwy, Suite 1
Flint, MI 48504
Memo: VIM Container Fund

The medicine boxes are filled by Inter-church Medical Assistance, Inc., and contain medicine for a clinic to respond to common illnesses in a population of 1,000 adults and children for a three-month pe-

Is your group involved in a service project? Why not consider collecting KIT's for Haiti. A collection box is located outside the church office. Donations will be received until May 10th.

SCHOOL KIT

Value: \$11 per kit

- 1 pair blunt scissors (rounded tip)
- 3 pads (or loose-leaf) of 8 1/2" x 11" ruled paper
- 1 30-centimeter ruler
- 1 hand-held pencil sharpener
- 6 unsharpened pencils with erasers
- 1 eraser, 2 1/2"
- 1 box of 24 crayons (only 24)

SEWING KIT

Value: \$18 per kit

- 3 yards of cotton or cotton-blend, solid color or print fabric (must be 3 yards of uncut fabric)
- 1 pair sewing scissors
- 1 package of needles
- 1 spool of thread
- 5-8 matching buttons

Wrap sewing notions in the fabric and place in a sealed one-gallon plastic bag.

HEALTH KIT

Value: \$12 per kit

Place these items inside a sealed one-gallon plastic bag:

- 1 hand towel (15"x25" up to 17" x 27", no kitchen towels)
- 1 washcloth
- 1 comb (large and sturdy, not pocket-sized)
- 1 nail file or fingernail clippers (no emery boards or toenail clippers)
- 1 bath-size bar of soap (3 oz and up)
- 1 toothbrush (single brushes only in original wrapper. No child-size brushes.
- 6 adhesive plastic strip sterile bandages
- \$1 to purchase toothpaste

NOTE: UMCOR Sager Brown is now purchasing toothpaste in bulk to be added to health kits before shipping to ensure that the product does not expire before they are sent.

LAYETTE KIT

Value: \$35 per kit

- 6 cloth diapers
- 2 shirts or 2 one-piece body suits
- 2 baby washcloths
- 2 gowns or sleepers
- 2 diaper pins
- 1 sweater open in the front
- 2 receiving blankets

Bundle the items inside one of the receiving blankets and secure with the diaper pins.