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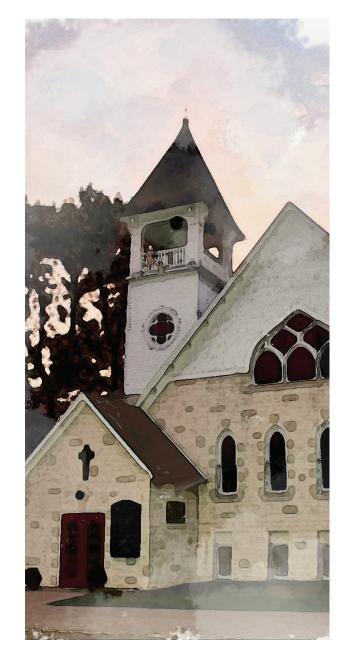
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Holmes UMC Builders Club Call ~ Fall 2019

Wisdom is required to build a house; understanding is necessary to make it secure. Proverbs 24:3

The people of Holmes United Methodist Church near Reynolds, North Dakota feel called to reach out in love to all in their community. They are dedicated to transforming lives, creating new disciples, and helping those who have fallen away rediscover their connection with Christ.

Being one of the few gathering spaces in their rural community, Holmes UMC serves as a meeting space for many different groups and events throughout the year. This past Christmas, they reached almost 800 people through their 31st annual live nativity pageant.

In such a rural community, having a pastor who is active in the community helps build the necessary trust to reach new people and grow current relationships. Living in the parsonage makes it possible to be immersed in the lives and current events of the community. However, the Holmes UMC parsonage has seen better days. Many of the original windows are leaky while others are painted shut, making for an inefficient and unsafe environment. The siding on the parsonage has also taken a beating over the years and needs to be replaced. The church members have already come together to do several fundraisers and have been able to replace some of the windows.

The financial burden of repairs to the parsonage takes their minds, talents, and resources away from the true ministry of Holmes UMC. Members of the Holmes UMC want to take care of their pastor, so their pastor can better care for the church and the community. "While trials make us stronger in our faith, we are ultimately more effective in reaching out to others if we are in a place of some confidence of our own," says project coordinator Lisa Ivers.

We thank you for your continued support of the Builders Club and ask that you prayerfully consider a gift of \$20 or more to support Holmes UMC. The gifts for this call will be received until December 31, 2019.

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Thank you Builders Club from the bottom of our hearts. You have helped us to refurbish our 25 year old Northwestern United Methodist Church of Mellette SD. The new carpeting capped off the warmth and beauty of God's home. Your generosity will never be forgotten and we look forward to helping the next Builders Club project.

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Make a difference

Each year, the Builders Club chooses to support the building projects of four churches across the Dakotas. The goal of Builders Club is to assist churches in need of financial support for their building, remodel, or expansion projects. By providing support for the building projects of churches, it allows them to grow current ministries or build new ministries to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

"According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building on it." 1 Corinthians 3:10