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## A Summer to Remember

Some take a break during the summer, but not Central Union Mission. Take a look at all we've been doing!



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## Dinner from Hunt. Fish. Feed.? We're Game!

In June, our community enjoyed a meal of venison tacos with all the trimmings courtesy of **Hunt. Fish. Feed.**, an outreach organized by the **Sportsman Channel**. The Sportsman Channel launches annual tours to serve cities with the greatest homeless and poverty-stricken populations and has served thousands of meals since Hunt.Fish.Feed. began in 2007. Local hunters donated their game and their time to prepare this Mexican feast for more than 100 of our overnight guests, seniors and families. The Mission is so grateful for their delicious contributions and generous hearts. ■



City children get close to nature at Camp Bennett.

## City Kids in the Country

More than 400 children escaped the city heat with a week at rural **Camp Bennett** in Brookeville, MD. After their parents pay the \$20 registration fee, generous donors like you contributed toward the \$375 weekly expenses. The children enjoyed a full camp experience—sleeping in cabins, swimming, crazy games, crafts, ropes course, camp fires—made new friends and learned about Jesus. ■



Volunteers chop onions and cilantro for fresh, spicy salsa.

## Volunteers Share Helping Hands

This summer, the Mission welcomed more than 50 volunteers from Exxon Mobil, who donated their day to help complete twelve needed tasks like sorting food and clothes, cleaning, writing thank-you cards and painting at our Food PLUS Center. Thanks also to the University of the District of Columbia Nursing Program volunteers for filling up displays, hanging and folding clothes and bagging food. According to Debra Pierce, Food PLUS manager, this summer Food PLUS has served a record number of families on one day—177. The needs continue unabated. ■



Many thanks to Jeremy White (left), our volunteer professional carpenter who gave nearly three days to plan and lead our Exxon Mobil volunteers in painting a 26-foot interior wall by the Food PLUS furniture area.

## FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

# We Keep On Moving



*Celebrating a renovation milestone: workers remove the supporting braces from the Gales School newly reinforced exterior.*

**W**e thought Central Union Mission had been busy before, but we hadn't experienced Summer 2013 yet!

We temporarily moved our men's shelter to Chinatown and our administrative offices to Northeast DC. We helped sponsor many local events, including the Worship in Washington concert and FreedomFest DC on the National Mall. Hundreds of volunteers helped us clean, sort food and clothing and prepare our

old building for its new owner. Most importantly, we carried on our main purpose: to share the love of Christ through feeding, sheltering and encouraging the neighbors in our community suffering unprecedented need.

What's exciting is that all this work is merely preparation for moving into our newly renovated facility this fall. When the Mission is settled at the historic Gales School, we will have the capacity to serve and house even more people, showing them God's love and helping them pull their lives together.

God provides what we need to serve His people, but we rely on you to answer His call. You can be a part of His work in Washington, DC, with your financial donations, volunteer time and prayers. Thank you so much for your generous support.

Blessings,



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