OBION COUNTY CHURCHES
BENEVOLENCE RESOURCE GUIDE

(This guide was compiled by The Bridge of West Tennessee, Inc. For additions or revisions, please contact 592-0650 or Board@thebridgewesttn.org)

1. BISHOP STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST (885-7822)
   This church has a food pantry. Donations made on a case by case basis.

2. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH (885-2961)
   They have a food pantry available on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00-11:00. They require (1) a photo ID (2) proof of income, and (3) a document showing the applicant’s physical address. They must be an Obion County resident. For all other needs, the church refers the person to Helping Hands.

3. CROSSWIND (335-4534)
   This church works with the Back Pack Program. Most of their work is through the ministerial association, Helping Hands, or Beulah Baptist Association.

4. EXCHANGE STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST (885-1507)
   This church works with individuals on a case by case basis and decisions are made through the deacon over benevolence.

5. FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH (885-0671)
   Will give $50 toward deposits on utilities. Must bring the bill with you. Will offer $25 voucher for groceries at EW James. Sponsor Laundry for Love once a month (no designated night) at laundry next to Big Lots.

6. GREATER VISION CHURCH OF GOD (Troy 536-6388)
   Clothes closet on the second Saturday of the month. Clothes 50 cents. Shoes, purses $1.00

7. IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH (885-0963)
   The church only helps when they are able and then only on an as-needed basis. They do not have any funds set aside for benevolence.

8. PLEASANT HILL BAPTIST CHURCH (536-5596)
   The church has a committee that reviews and approves all completed applications for help. They will help with food and shelter.

9. PLEASANT VALLEY METHODIST CHURCH (885-5203)
   They have a food pantry on the second Tuesday of each month from 4:00-6:00.

10. PILGRIM REST MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH (885-7362)
    Food pantry open the third Thursday of each month. Operate Trudy’s Café on First St. open
Mon-Fri for children ages 0-18.

11. REFUGE CHURCH (446-5802)
   Celebrate Recovery Sunday nights 5-7 p.m. Soul food Café 1ST and 3rd Thursday night of each month.

12. SALVATION ARMY (885-0963)
   When applicants come to them for help, they base their help on the person’s individual need. Because this is a world-wide organization, they are not able to give much information to the public.

13. ST JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH (885-9575)
   This church sponsors AA and Alanon groups. They also have a discretionary fund to help with utilities etc.

14. SOUTH FULTON BAPTIST CHURCH (479-2331)
   When people come to their church for help, they are required to complete an application which is then reviewed by a committee before any help is given.

15. SUNSWEPT BAPTIST CHURCH (885-8525) Sometimes the church has a food pantry, but not always. The financial aid that is available to help others depends on the financial current financial situation of their church.

16. TROY CHURCH OF CHRIST (536-4611)
   They have no specific programs. They implement an as-needed basis. They will meet specific needs such as providing shelter and food.

17. TROY FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH (536-4710)
   They have a food pantry which is open once a month—on the last Wednesday of each month. They also have a clothes closet for children which provides school clothes. They have a policy in place which allows them to help with one night of shelter for transients only. The pastor will also counsel these people.

18. TROY FIRST METHODIST CHURCH (536-4550)
   They use an as needed basis for people who come to the church. They refer these people to Reelfoot Rural Ministry also.

19. UNION CITY CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (885-9773)
   They support Helping Hands and refer people to them.

20. UNION CITY FIRST ASSEMBLY (885-2612)-
   They have a food pantry, but its only available after they receive a call or referral about a need. They donate to Helping Hands so they refer people to them and also to the ministerial association. A clothes closet is advertised in the Fall. Basically, they evaluate each situation and
help on an as-needed basis.

21. UNION CITY FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH (885-9481)
   Church has a benevolence committee. They email members with needs
   They can give a sack of groceries and they will also turn on utilities.

22. UNION CITY FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH (885-3573)  They support Helping
   Hands and Reelfoot Rural Ministry. They also have a “pastor’s discretionary fund”. Person must
   have paperwork from Helping Hands and be a church family member. They will help with
   groceries, gas, and shelter---but all is with the pastor’s discretion.

23. UNION CITY SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH (885-5223)-They have a women’s mission group
   named WINGS. This group prepares frozen meals and usually has 40-50 meals on hand. Most
   benevolence is in-house. Benevolence is a line item in their church budget. They help members
   first and then others. The office will also refer people to Helping Hands.

OBION COUNTY CLOTHES CLOSETS

Troy First Baptist  519 E. Harper St, Troy TN  536-4710
   closet for children needing school clothes

Greater Vision Church of God  701 Mary Jane St, Troy TN  536-6388
   Clothing store open the second Saturday of each month.
Obion County Food Banks

Calvary Baptist Church  2250 E. Reelfoot Ave.
Tue and Thur  9a.m.-11a.m.  885-2961

Helping Hands  430 N. Miles Ave
Mon, Tue, Thur, Fri  885-3924

Pleasant Valley Methodist Church  1422 Pleasant Valley Ave.
Second Tue of each month  885-5203

Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church  720 E. College St.
Third Thursday of each month  885-7362

Reelfoot Rural Ministries  6968 Minnick Elbridge Rd Obion TN
Tue, Wed, Thur  8:30-11:30 a.m.
and  12:30-3:30 p.m.  885-3924

Troy First Baptist Church  519 E. Harper St, Troy TN
Last Wednesday of each month  536-4710

FOOD DONATIONS MADE ON CASE BY CASE BASIS

Bishop St. Church of Christ  885-7822
First Christian Church  885-0671
Pleasant Hill Baptist Church  536-5596
Sunswept Baptist Church  885-8525
Troy Church of Christ  536-4611
UC First Assembly of God  885-2612
UC First Baptist Church  885-9481
UC First United Methodist  885-3573