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Do you have work that needs done in your home? The people of Doylestown and Chippewa Township who have home repairs or maintenance that exceed their ability to accomplish or afford labor, now have a new solution available to them. The Doylestown United Methodist Church has experienced volunteers that can help with holes in floors, peeling paint, damaged drywall or comparable projects. They can also help with garden, lawn or similar work. The labor is free as an expression of God's love. Generally, the homeowner will be asked to pay for materials.

The ministry is called **Backyard Missions**. It is an outgrowth of missions the church has engaged in with teams travelling to many states and as far away as Costa Rica and Armenia. Volunteers have engaged in construction ministry for over 25 years ranging from disaster relief to poverty relief. **Backyard Missions** is so named because their volunteers seek to minister to people's needs locally, not only hundreds or thousands of miles away.

Anyone in Doylestown or Chippewa Township is eligible for this volunteer assistance as long as need can be established. Those requesting **Backyard Missions** assistance can be assured that the work performed will be by experienced workers with qualified and appropriate supervision. To request assistance, contact Earl Kerr at 330-658-6342, 330-347-4177 or ekerr@ohio.net. Supervisors with the requisite experience will assess the project to assign volunteers with the right skill sets, name a crew leader and coordinate a plan with the requestor.

The Doylestown United Methodist Church is making this service available to the local community in response to the Great Commandment which is to love God and love our neighbor.

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