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Our Missions Ministry equips disciples of Christ to share God's love through gifts and service, creating hope and sustainable opportunities for those in need.

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Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" and I said,

"Here I Am, Lord...
Send Me"

Isaiah 6:8

The purpose of the First United Methodist Church, Birmingham, is to gather persons into the body of Christ, nurture them as disciples of Jesus Christ, and equip them for ministry and mission in the world.

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# HERE I AM, LORD, SEND ME ANGEL TREE







#### **EVERY CHILD HAS A STORY**

Every child has a story. For 1.7 million American children, that story is filled with the abandonment, loneliness, and shame that comes from having a mom or dad in prison.





## **REACHING OUT**

Through Angel Tree, FUMC finds ways to reach out to these children, by sharing Christ's love with them at Christmas. Members purchase and deliver gifts in the name of the incarcerated parent to help bridge the gap that goes along with families torn apart.

#### **GIFT DELIVERY**

Our church has committed to serving 350 children in our area.



In the end, it's so much more than giving Christmas gifts-it's about restoring families.

### A WITNESS OF CHRIST'S LOVE

"It's a witness of Christ's love for prisoners' families. Angel Tree let me feel chosen. This feeling of being special, this feeling of being chosen by God - this is how your gift will minister to prisoners' children. They'll experience Christ's love and mercy, even in the midst of a life that feels confusing and unfair."

A former Angel Tree recipient, now 36 years old and the head preacher of a church.



## **HOW YOU CAN HELP**

- Choose an "angel" to support
- Purchase gifts for "angels"
- Sort and prep gifts for delivery
- Donate Money
- Pack food bags for delivery
- Deliver gifts