

New England Mission Center
Congregational Support Ministry
Mission Flash

Mission Flash will be sent when a Mission related event happens around our Mission Center. This is to keep you up to date on the many exciting things that are happening in our congregations. Please make sure that a copy of this *FLASH* is posted on your congregational bulletin board.

Mission Flash # 8-08

Mar 16, 2008

New Hospital Chapel Opens

An example of ecumenical cooperation

After several years the dream of a chapel at the Downeast Community Hospital in Machias, Maine has become a reality. This project driven and supported by the local Clergy Study Group has involved congregations and pastors from many different faith traditions to make this vision come true. The chapel's total cost of \$80,000 was raised over a two year period through congregational pledges, individual donations, public suppers, food sales, corporate sponsors, and the first International Food Festival fund raiser and auction. The dedication service was attended by over one hundred and fifty hospital auxiliary members, visitors, supporters, doctors and employees of the hospital. This service included a history of the hospital, a message of hope by Dona Emerson and I had the prayer of dedication. The chapel includes a memorial that lists those supporting the chapel; this includes many Community of Christ congregations in this part of Maine.



Thank you for your help and support. If you would like more information or *are wishing to support specific Mission Ministry mentioned in the Mission Flash*

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