

# PROSPECTUS

## APPALACHIA SERVICE PROJECT ST. MARTIN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH/ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH 2009 – Summers County, West Virginia

### PREFERRED STOCK

(\$10 PAR VALUE)

Initial Public Offering Price ... \$10 Per Share (tax deductible)

The shares of the Appalachia Service Project (ASP) offered hereby are being sold by members of St. Martin's Episcopal Church and St. Mark's Episcopal Church to provide funds for participation in the Appalachia Service Project, as described herein.

The ASP is a home repair ministry affiliated with the United Methodist Church. The services of ASP are provided through volunteer efforts of youth and adults to families in Central Appalachia with low to very low incomes. Established in 1969 the ASP's outreach is primarily through summer work from centers located in Tennessee, West Virginia, Virginia and Kentucky. The emergency home repairs focus on making homes warmer, safer and drier.

### THE PROJECT

ASP is a work camp. It is not a "vacation trip". Hard and dirty work is expected from each participant during the week they spend in Appalachia. Volunteers may be asked to repair a leaky roof, repair a sagging or unsafe house or room or even build a new roof or room addition. The kind of work will vary from home to home, depending on the need and available resources.

Participants enter Appalachia humbly – as guests. It is not their purpose to condemn, judge or convert. Nor do they change lifestyles or rearrange value systems and customs of the local people. Their purpose is rather to share their talents, skills and caring with fellow human beings in the spirit of love and acceptance.

This will be the ninth year that St. Martin's Episcopal Church has participated in ASP, and the first year for St. Mark's Episcopal Church. On June 27, 2009 the volunteers will begin a 2-day journey to Summers County, West Virginia. After a week of home repair, the group will return on July 4th.

### PROJECT FINANCING

The ASP relies entirely on gifts from participating group. The gifts cover the costs of materials and any other project expenses. Each participant commits \$500, which partially pays room and board and each participating group provides its own transportation to and from the project center and outlying work sites. Participants also supply all their work tools and equipment. Our budget, based on 20 people in our group, will be approximately \$14,000, which will go entirely toward work team donations, room and board, transportation expenses, meals and supplies.

### REQUIREMENTS FOR PARTICIPATION

Each participating youth and adult is required to do at least the following for the work camp:

1. Participate in the fund raising effort by selling shares of stock in the project.
2. Contribute \$100 toward the room, board and food assessments.
3. Contribute preparation time in the following areas:
  - a. Attend a minimum of four (4) ASP orientation/preparation meetings.
  - b. Participate in one (1) skills training session.

**"We accept people right where they are and just the way they are"**  
Glenn "Tex" Evans, Founder