

It's game time!



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Sunday, July 30, 2017 – 1:12 pm

Ticket price: \$15 *

Ballpark at Harbor Yard • 500 Main Street • Bridgeport

Join us for fellowship and fun while raising funds for *Raise the Roof* when the *Bridgeport Bluefish* take the field against the *Long Island Ducks*!

Register online or complete a registration form at coffee hour. Submit payment in the collection plate or drop it by the church office. Make checks payable to *UMC Monroe* with *Raise the Roof* in the memo line. ***The deadline to register and pay for your tickets is Sunday, July 23.***

Family, friends and neighbors are welcome!

Questions? Contact Anita Stabler-Hussey or visit our website and search “Bridgeport Bluefish.” Information about carpooling will be available soon!

* A portion of each ticket will go to benefit *Raise the Roof*, the Connecticut District’s Mission Project in partnership with the South Congo Conference. For more information, please visit our website and search “Raise the Roof” or “Bridgeport Bluefish.”

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Raise the Roof

A Connecticut District Mission Project In Partnership The South Congo Conference

Send donations to: The CT District Office
Attention: Dorothy
20 Broadfield Road
Hamden, CT 06517



Make checks payable to: **CT District**
Please note on memo line: **Raise the Roof**

Project Goal: \$20,000

The newly proposed and designed orphanage for 80 children will consist of 5 buildings: 4 dormitories (a dorm for young boys, a dorm for young girls, a dorm for older boys and one for older girls) and a large central building for babies, staff and administration. The roofing for these dorms will be tin. Each building will need 80 sheets of tin: cost to install each sheet of tin (including purchasing of the tin, nails and labor) will be approximately \$50.

- Each contribution of \$50 will entitle the giver to a CT District foam brick.
- Each contribution of \$50 will move us closer to housing 80 orphans.
- Each contribution of \$50 will help us build God's Kingdom.

Orphanage Request

30 separate times the Bible tells us to care for orphans, including this well known passage: "Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world."

John Wesley, in a letter to George Whitefield, said that caring for orphans is the highest form of charity on earth (1770).

Caring for orphans and vulnerable children is in our DNA as disciples of Jesus Christ and members of the Methodist Movement.

Bishop Kainda Katembo has reached out to the Rev. Wayne Lavender, pastor of Faith UMC in North Haven and director of the Foundation 4 Orphans, requesting the construction of a new orphanage for 80 children in the city of Lubumbashi, DRC. The new orphanage will be constructed on a piece of land owned by the UMC and less than 200 yards from the UMC supported schools, local church and health care facilities. The South Congo Conference of the UMC will cover operational costs for the new orphanage. The project will be overseen by the Rev. Kanyimb Mbaz, an ordained member of the South Congo Conference appointed to this UMC compound as chaplain to the school and church. Total cost of the orphanage will be \$200,000.

