

Missionary Computer Fellowship(MCF) Lives On

By Ed Jones and Phil Morrison

MCF is a group of volunteers composed largely of retirees who fix up old computers for overseas missionaries and churches, pastors, schools and community centers in the Greater Orlando Area. As you may have heard, we anticipated closing our doors and disbanding MCF late last year. This resulted after we had to abandon our home in the First United Methodist Church's (FUMC) Administration building due to it being purchased by the Downtown Performing Arts Center.

However due to the diligence of FUMC member and MCF volunteer Tony Rossetti, we have found a new home and have relocated to 725 W. Central Blvd. We are about ½ mile west of I-4, across the street from the fire station. We are open every Tuesday and Thursday between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM

Jim Gibboney has retired as our Director and Tony Rossetti now leads MCF. However, retirees Clare Adams, Sam Breidt, Frank Dement, Dale Dibble, Dave Emmons, Ed Jones, Don Hickman, Bert Kremp, Lloyd Riffe, Tom McNutt, Phil Morrison, John Tracy, Walt Trippe, Frank(Herb) Walker, and Bud Yeager and are still active with MCF. Additional FUMC members and non- Martin Marietta/Lockheed Martin Volunteers also serve at MCF.

What does MCF need?

First: Pentium 4 computers, desktops and laptops donations. They do not need to be working. We can fix them. Hard drives are wiped clean before installing a new operating system. We only work on PCs, no Apples please. XP or Windows 7 operating system software/licenses are also needed.

Monitors less than 10 years old. They need to work. We do not fix monitors.

Mice and keyboards and speakers.

Hard Drives >20Mb, RAM > 256Mb, DVDs, CD-RW and DVD-RW are also accepted

No Printers Please

Second: MCF is now accepting financial contributions for our services to help pay for operating expenses.

Third: We need some new retirees! Most of us are now in our 70s and 80s with one volunteer Frank Dement being in his 90s! So if you have the skills or the desire to acquire the skills to recondition or repair PCs, please contact us. You don't have to be experienced or trained in working with the elderly!!

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We have a great time providing our services to the community and re-calling our Martin/Lockheed Martin work experiences. So please consider joining us.



Some of the Lockheed Martin Volunteers at MCF- (left to right) Frank Walker, Phil Morrison, Clare Adams, Don Hickman, Tom McNutt, Lloyd Riffe, Ed Jones, Frank Dement, Gene Dibble, Bert Kremp and John Tracy.