We've had a record-breaking weekend of missions work, as follows:

PB&J Sandwich Marathon - On Friday afternoon, about 10 faithful Catalina volunteers got together to spread the peanut butter and jelly on donated bread, (and spread the love), creating approximately 500 sandwiches for those suffering homelessness and hunger. This amazing effort was accomplished in less than 2 hours. A big thank you goes out to all who participated. We will likely schedule one more sandwich making marathon before the year is over. See the attached photos of our sandwich making outreach.

Casa Maria Soup Kitchen - Early on Saturday morning, a small team of Catalina volunteers cooked up three big pots of our special chicken-vegetable soup for approximately 225 neighbors living on the streets and living with hunger. The soup was completely gone in about 90 minutes. Thank you so much for our "early risers," willing to serve others so early in the morning. See the attached photo of our Casa Maria cooking team. The next Casa Maria event will be on September 21st, and we will need 4 volunteers.

Primavera Men's Shelter - Our monthly dinner outreach at the men's shelter was held on Saturday afternoon. I am so pleased to say that our famous five course dinner was cooked and served by mostly new volunteers. Again, a special thank you to our volunteers for the time and talent you gave to this outreach. See the attached photo of our Primavera cooking team. The men at the shelter are always so grateful. This outreach occurs on the 4th Saturday afternoon of each month. Who would like to help with the August 24th outreach?

ICS (Interfaith Community Services) Food Bank Peanut Butter Drive - Since there were still a few days left in our July food drive for ICS, we didn't have a chance to tally up the results. However, I can tell that there are more than 300 lbs. of peanut butter collected so far. Final results of your generous donations will be included in Catalina's weekly news update.

God bless you all for your support of Catalina and its mission outreach efforts.

Doug Wingert, chair Church & Society - Missions Committee Catalina United Methodist Church



Photos left to right: 1: Casa Maria Cooks 2: Prima Vera Cooks 3.4.5: Sandwiches for Casa Maria

