



Enriching
Your Covenant
Relationship



Beyond

GIVING

Covenant Relationships: Giving a Face to Mission

When the rain and wind of Hurricane Mitch was tearing Honduras apart, our covenant churches were with us. When each of our children arrived, our covenant churches were with us, celebrating.

In the same way, I have been part of my covenant churches' ministries of worship, food banks, and Sunday schools. We are in mission together. We know one another, care for one another, and support one another.

Because of covenant churches, I have faces to put on the United Methodist church that sends me into mission. And my covenant churches have at least one face to put on the mission of The United Methodist Church beyond their local mission.

Mission is a lot better when we know each other face to face. I guess that is why God came to us in Jesus—somebody with a face.

—Lyda Pierce, a missionary who has served in Central America

Sustained for Service

Your church has entered into a covenant relationship with a United Methodist missionary through Global Ministries. This partnership is much more than a financial commitment. It is a dynamic relationship, where your church and covenant missionary pray for one another and communicate regularly. By deepening your own awareness of the struggles and triumphs of your covenant missionary, you are participating in work that is truly connectional.

Through your Covenant Relationship you are sustaining a missionary for service—not just through financial support, but also by providing community and care for someone serving God far from home.

“I absolutely depend upon the unbreakable nature of this covenant to sustain me in joyful service.”

—Kathleen Masters,
a missionary who has previously served in the South Pacific, Uganda, Zambia, and the United States

Support Our Covenant Missionary

_____ in _____ is our covenant missionary.
(First and last name) (Place of assignment)

(One-sentence description of the missionary's work)

Our church's annual support goal is \$_____. To help us meet this goal,

please give to Advance # _____, for _____.
(Missionary name)

Make your check payable to your local church. Write the name of the missionary and the Advance number on the check. Drop your gift in any United Methodist church offering plate or give your gift to your church treasurer.



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