

Funding

FREE
METHODIST
MISSIONS
IN THE 21ST
CENTURY!



With Missionary Support (MSA's), Country Shares (CSA's)...

...and Extra Mile Projects (EMP), how does one know where to give?

Giving through the local church use to be the basic way it was done. It all went into one big pot and then was divided up. The problem was there wasn't enough coming into the pot so something were not cared for.

Now the local church and the individual can decide what they want to see done and who they will give there resources to. This builds a connection for accountability with the missionary overseeing that area and projects.

Why would we change the way we give? To better serve and connect with needs around the world. As you build a relation with missionaries, we will keep you informed

and abreast of what is happening and how your gifts are impacting the kingdom.

Additionally, it is our hope that people from your church, over the course of several years might venture out for a first hand look at what missions is and the impact your gifts are making!

Another point is that people want to give to projects and people they know and can relate to. We see hurting and helpless kids on TV commercials all the time. Unfortunately we are not moved by it anymore we have become numb to the need. We want a more tangible presence in the country that we know is using what we give to connect with real needs right now. this relationship is important in where your dollars go!

That is why connecting to a missionary family or two and really getting to know them

and what they are all about will strengthen your idea about what missions is and how a local church can be a part!

Each Missionary will raise a different amount based on the actual cost of where they live and do ministry. Some areas cost more - some less but the hurting people we are reaching all feel the same loss and have great needs. That's why you might see different MAS's and CSA's amounts.

What Does Missions Look Like Today?

Free Methodist Missions will look different depending on where in the world you are. One thing is for sure it is looking at holistic ministries meeting more than just the spiritual need of people. Often to get to that level we need to get past the physical and social crises they face. Knowing Jesus, not only dealt with the sin problem but also healed and taught and cried and laughed you will find out missionaries today engaged in all of these at some level in order to build a bridge to communicate the Gospel of Jesus to them. You would be amazed and surprised at what the FMC is doing in Mission around the world. Find one that fits with your church and get connected! You and the country will both be blessed!



It's not just about funding but ...

...Relationships!

Relationships between you and the missionaries that have not been there in the past. Because a missionary had to relate to one or more conferences that meant any where from 40-120 churches. that was far too many for a missionary to connect with other than than generic ways.

The goal now is for each missionary to have 15-25 churches connecting with them so that a more personal relationship can be formed and greater communication can be had.

...Communication!

Personalized communication between you and your missionary. Developing programs and ideas that fit your churches DNA so that missions becomes alive and of interest to the people of your church.

How about a quarterly live Internet conference with a missionary - with today's tech it can happen at almost no cost.

If that doesn't work how about a personalized Video from one of your missionaries to the church to be played during a service.

...The Vision!

The vision of what God is doing and how you can be a part of it. Mission isn't about one going and one staying it is about a partnership, An ever changing partnership that will adjust how it works based on the ever changing needs on the field. It is seeing the world beginning with our neighbor as needing Jesus and moving out to the ends of the earth for there.

...Partnering!

Partnering to get kids, youth and adults involved with missions. It is taylor making programs that will help you as much as what you do helps us.

With culture changing as rapidly as it is we need partners who will adjust and adapt with the field to the ever changing needs. This governments and regions shifting the kind of ministry will change quickly and we need partners who not only understand it but will help us champion the changes to keep people aware!



free METHODIST WORLD MISSIONS

Credit Cards, Miles & Ministry!

On the surface it would not appear that these have anything in common, but they could.

Many of you use you Credit Card for almost everything you purchase. It gives you one statement and if you pay it off (Which I recommend) it doesn't cost you a thing to use it. Plus many cards give you point/miles for every dollar you put on the card. While a youth pastor I even had some parents ask if we took Credit Cards to pay for events we were running. (So we looked into it and decided to take them to get more kids at events and activities) Credit Cards are a part of our lives. So if you are a miles/point collector and are making a donation regularly or even just once you can use your miles col-



lecting credit card to help with missions. And it can be set up to happen each month so that you won't forget.

So it is a win-win arrangement. You gain extra miles that you can use to fly over and visit your missionary (or some other place if you want) and they get the needed support to continue doing what they are doing for the kingdom.

One last benefit to the missionary – the gift is processed faster which means the funds are freed up to actually assist with ministry today – not having to wait for it to get to Indy, be recorded, deposited, cleared and finally credited to the missions account.

Don't have a Credit Card – your checking account can be done automatically too for a one time gift or a regular contribution.

To sign-up on line go to www.fmwm.org and click on the give button at the top – follow the instructions for signing up. individuals and churches call now give online. It's fast, easy and safe!