## **Global Mission Ministry**

## 2016 Annual Report

The Global Mission Ministry (GMM) continues to work prayerfully to support Saint Mark's stated mission to "listen and respond to the needs of the world." In 2016, we worked to answer God's call through many faithful organizations located within the U.S and abroad.

GMM donates to well-established, financially transparent charities for disaster relief efforts and are often religious based organizations. The ministry has also chosen to support Saint Mark Member led projects with seed money for limited time periods. These organizations have Saint Mark member involvement in their leadership and provide GMM with an annual update on progress and experiences.

The ministry financially supported the work of the following entities:

New Story Leadership - Supporting peace-making efforts between Palestinian and Israeli young adults.

**Lithuania Christian College Scholarship** – Providing financial assistance to LCC International University students in need.

Sayariy Warmi Rise Up Women - Providing financial assistance to young Bolivian women in need.

**Congo Lotus Care** – Promoting and providing pre-natal health care to Congolese women.

**Reve Kandale** – Helping build schools and improve school grounds for communities in The Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC).

**Appalachia Service Project**: Providing support of flood relief.

Lutheran Social Services: Supporting Syrian refugee resettlement in the Greater D.C area.

**Hearts with Haiti:** Providing assistance to Haitian children in need.

**Doctors Without Borders:** Supporting medical assistance in war-torn Syria.

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance: Supporting humanitarian assistance in disaster areas.

Presbyterian Mission Agency: Supporting Presbyterian co-workers in Lithuania.

GMM has identified four categories of giving to help be more deliberate and transparent about allocating the ministry's operating budget. These four categories, as noted in the below budget, are:

- 1. Disaster Relief
- 2. Saint Mark Member led projects with Global Reach
- 3. PCUSA Missionaries
- 4. Education Scholarship, Materials, etc.

## Global Mission Ministry's 2016 Financial Distributions

A detailed financial record of GMM's use of the 2016 operating budget is listed below.

2016 GMM Budget			
Activity			
То	Amount	When	Category
PCUSA Mission Workers Hinderliters	\$1,500	15-Mar-16	PCUSA Mission Co Workers
PDA Flint, MI relief efforts	\$1,000	10-Apr-16	Disaster Relief
PDA Ecuador earthquake relief	\$600	1-May-16	Disaster Relief
Appalachia Service Project WV Flood relief	\$500	26-Jun-16	Disaster Relief
SM Member project Appalachia Service Project WV Flood Relief	\$500	26-Jun-16	Saint Mark member project
SM Member Project -Reve Kandale	\$1,000	26-Jun-16	Saint Mark member project
PDA Gulf Coast Relief	\$1,000	28-Aug-16	Disaster Relief
LCC scholarship fund	\$1,000	28-Aug-16	Education - Scholarship, materials
Bolivian Scholarship - Sayariy Warmi	\$1,000	28-Aug-16	Education - Scholarship, materials
New Story Leadership	\$1,000	28-Aug-16	Education - Scholarship, materials
SM Member Project Congo Lotus Care	\$1,000	28-Aug-16	Saint Mark member project
Hearts with Haiti- Hurricane relief	\$500	15-Nov-16	Disaster Relief
PDA - Haiti Hurricane relief	\$500	15-Nov-16	Disaster Relief
Doctors Without Borders in Syria	\$1,000	10-Dec-16	Disaster Relief
Hearts with Haiti for Hurricane Matthew relief	\$636	10-Dec-16	Disaster Relief
Lutheran Social Services for assistance in resettling Syrian refugees	\$1,000	10-Dec-16	Disaster Relief
Total	\$13,736.00		
Budget remaining	\$-		

## **2017 AND BEYOND**

In 2017, the Global Mission Ministry Team will prayerfully consider our partnerships and our work. Through God's grace, may we work to improve our ways to help empower those who are weak and support those that are strong so that they may help others. Let us acknowledge the endless need in the world and may our prayers and financial assistance help those in need. We would like to inspire and increase the congregation's participation in Global Mission possibilities and partnerships.

The Global Mission Ministry is blessed by the generosity of the people of Saint Mark. We take our responsibility seriously as we strive to hear God's call throughout the world. We thank the members of the Global Mission Ministry Team for their incredible and faithful service during 2016.

Blessings,

Alison Dewey, Elder

Ellen Kiel, Convener

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