

DO YOU HEAR GOD CALLING YOU INTO MISSION SERVICE?

2021 MISSION RESOURCE GUIDE



“HOW BEAUTIFUL ARE THE FEET OF THOSE WHO BRING GOOD NEWS!”

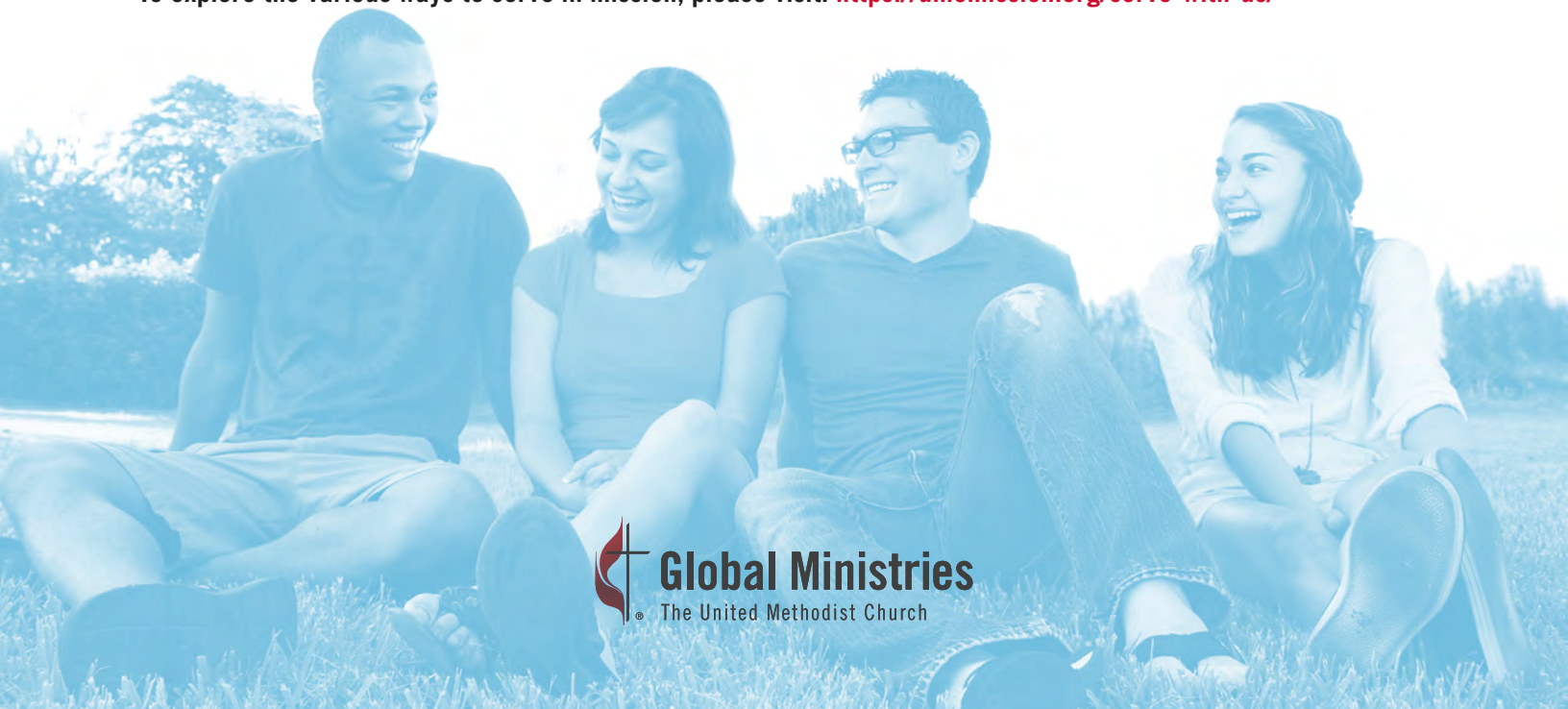
ROMANS 10:15

Emerging from a season of pandemic, perhaps you have found yourself evaluating what is next. *Where is God inviting you to share your gifts with a world in need?*

Global Ministries works closely with partner organizations around the world. When invited by the host community, missionaries or volunteers are placed in areas where they can build relationships and share their gifts. Teachers, preachers, community organizers, engineers, justice seekers and peace builders serve in ministry with communities around the world through mission service.

From serving as missionaries in another country to Church and Community Workers serving in the United States, and short-term mission volunteer experiences responding to disaster or longer-term opportunities for community development, there is a place for you to put your faith into action through The United Methodist Church.

To explore the various ways to serve in mission, please visit: <https://umcmmission.org/serve-with-us/>



SUPPORT GLOBAL MISSION

When you make a financial gift in support of mission and ministry, 100% of your contribution benefits the program you designate. This is made possible through The United Methodist Church's accountable designated giving platform called *The Advance*. Operational costs are covered through other channels. Learn more and make a donation through the website <https://umcmmission.org/areas-of-impact/>. These are some examples of the areas you impact as a United Methodist:

MISSIONARIES: From everywhere, and to everywhere, United Methodist missionaries serve in more than 70 countries around the world in a range of activities and professions including pastors, educators, congregational and leadership developers, agriculturalists, health coordinators, and doctors.

RELIEF AND RECOVERY: United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) provides humanitarian relief and disaster response in the United States and internationally by working with communities and local partners. When a disaster, war or conflict overwhelms a community's ability to recover on its own, UMCOR provides essential relief supplies and supports long-term rebuilding efforts.

GLOBAL HEALTH: Global Ministries partners with thousands of communities and health workers through community-based health programs and provides support to more than 300 United Methodist hospitals and clinics. Global Health programs focus on assisting economically vulnerable communities to protect children and disadvantaged adults from preventable causes of death and disease.

EVANGELISM AND CHURCH GROWTH: Global Ministries works to share the good news of God's love by planting

new churches and helping existing ones to grow. New or renewed mission initiatives and programs are created to offer training for new congregations and established churches that seek to create new places for new people. Additional programs support racial/ethnic churches with initiatives that are geared specifically for their unique needs.

CREATION CARE: Recognizing that climate change and environmental degradation increase disaster risk, the UMCOR Creation Care program works to equip The United Methodist Church to address modes of living and working that contribute to climate change and environmental degradation.



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BECOME A GLOBAL MISSION FELLOW

Young Adults who Engage, Connect, Grow

Young adults play a critical role as agents of change in The United Methodist Church. If you are a Christian who is 20-30 years old who wants to be part of building up God's peace with justice, consider if this two-year program is a good fit for you. Global Mission Fellows engage with their host community, connect the church in mission, and grow in personal and social holiness.

Fellows are connected from around the world as a cohort. They train together and support one another throughout the mission journey.

Those on the international track will serve for 22 months in a non-US country that it outside their

home country. They will receive two months of training with others in their cohort. Following their service, they have an opportunity to transition back to their home country in a two-month integration term.

Read more: <https://umcmmission.org/become-a-fellow-international-track/>

The US-2 Track is for those who feel called and are authorized to work in the United States (including citizens, DAPA and DACA). The program includes training, integration into the project site, and an intentional living community.

Read more: <https://umcmmission.org/become-a-fellow/>

MISSION AREAS OF SERVICE

Global Mission Fellows serve in many ways and help create sustainable change in their host communities in the US and around the world.



HUNGER AND POVERTY: Addressing the root causes of hunger and poverty, fellows work with community leaders to organize systems that strengthen food security.



EDUCATION: Fellows bolster education opportunities providing safe places for enrichment, providing tutoring, and mentoring young people.



GLOBAL HEALTH: Partnering with community health professionals, fellows work in areas of maternal and child health, Malaria, HIV/AIDS and other areas where people who are vulnerable need better access to health care.



MIGRATION: Providing advocacy, communication, and education, fellows journey alongside refugees and immigrants supporting them through the legal process.

QUALIFICATIONS

Global Mission Fellows:

1. Are young adults ages 20–30 by Dec. 31 of the year their service begins.
2. Have a bachelor's degree or equivalent life experience.
3. Commit to two years of service.
4. Serve “with,” not “to” or “for” others.
5. Feel called to address the roots of injustice.
6. Speak conversational English.
7. Should have eligibility to work in the U.S. (if serving on the US-2 track)



APPLICATION PROCESS

Once you have discerned which program would be best for you, prepare the following material to begin the application process:

- The contact information for 3 references (pastoral, professional, academic)
- Your church address, phone number, and website.
- Methodist applicants: gather your annual/central conference information. Name of your membership church bishop and email address.
- Non-Methodist applicants: gather the name of your denomination leader and email address.
- To serve through the International Track applicants must have an unexpired and valid passport.
- Transcripts: scan your unofficial educational transcripts and diploma and any language diplomas or certifications. Resume: update your CV/resume.

Apply for the US-2 track:

<https://gbgm.embark.com/login/apply?target=us-2>

Apply for the International track:

<https://selectionoffice.wufoo.com/forms/zpo3fup1wq0cbv/>

SHARE INFORMATION WITH YOUNG ADULTS

Are you a youth or young adult leader? Do you know someone who would be a strong candidate to serve as a Global Mission Fellow? Download these resources and share them: <https://umcmmission.org/recruitment-resources/>

Find more missionary opportunities to get engaged at:
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