

NCP Congregational Global Mission Survey Results

May 15, 2021

Background and Process

- Objective of Global Mission Network is
 - “To provide a framework to advance the Presbytery’s emphasis of serving as a catalyst for mission by connecting congregations with common local, national, and international mission interests.”
- In December 2020, Network reimplemented global missions page on NCP website to provide added outreach to NCP Congregations
- Network also decided to conduct a survey of NCP congregations to help to understand
 - Ongoing global mission activities across the Presbytery and
 - How the network can support congregational global mission efforts
- Survey
 - Finalized in February 2021
 - Distributed by Thursday Mail and Presbytery email notifications to Congregations
 - Closed on 15 April

Presentation summarizes the results of the survey

38 Congregations Responded

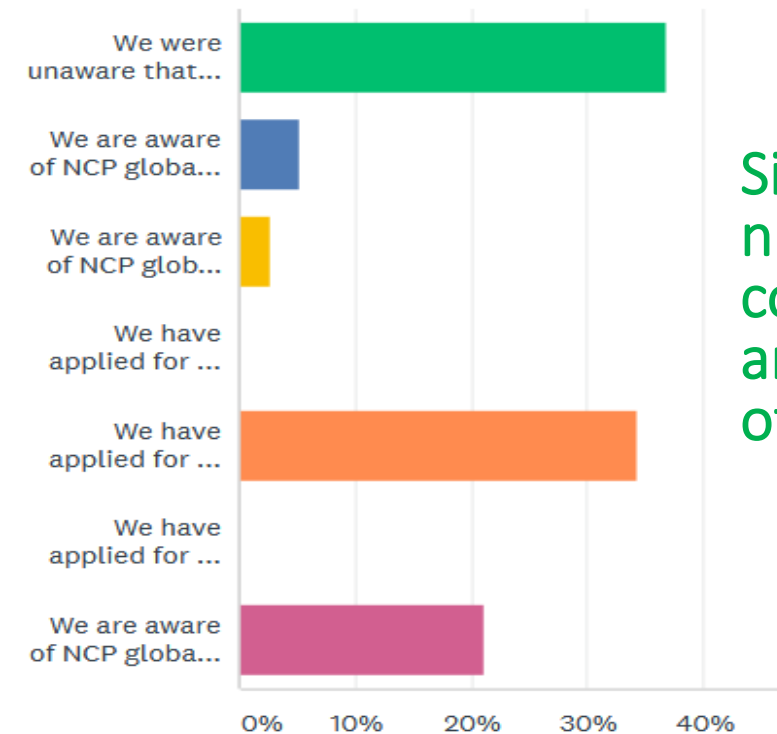
1	Clifton	14	Immanuel	27	Silver Spring
2	Georgetown	15	First United of Dale City	28	Westminster Alexandria
3	Warner Memorial	16	Furnace Mountain	29	Darnestown
4	Heritage	17	Manassas	30	Mt Vernon
5	John Calvin	18	Bush Hill	31	No congregation listed
6	St Andrew	19	Grace/Lanham	32	National
7	Burke	20	Boyds	33	Leesberg
8	Hermon	21	Church of the Pilgrims	34	Providence
9	Catoctin	22	Grace, Springfield	35	Bradley Hills
10	Vienna	23	Lewinsville	36	Westminster DC
11	St Matthew	24	Western	37	Meeting House
12	Trinity Herndon	25	Kirkwood	38	New York Avenue
13	Church of the Covenant	26	Idylwood		

Questions

- What is your congregation's experience with NCP global mission partnership matching **grants** to congregations?
- Does your congregation provide **financial** support to global mission organizations?
- Does your congregation support PC USA mission **coworkers**?
- Does your congregation currently have any active global mission **partnerships** ?
- Would you be willing to have your global mission activities listed in a yearly NCP global mission **directory** available to NCP congregations?
- Is your congregation currently **engaged** in the NCP Global Mission Network?
- Which of the current Global Mission Network actions do you see as **valuable** to congregations?
- What types of **activities** would you like to see from the NCP Global Mission Team to support your congregations global mission activities?
- What **other things** would your congregation like to let the Global Missions Network know in order to increase their support to NCP congregations?

What is your congregation's experience with NCP global mission partnership matching grants to congregations?

We were unaware that NCP made global mission partnership grants	34% 13
We are aware of NCP global partnership grants, but we currently have no global mission activities in our congregation	8% 3
We are aware of NCP global partnership grants, but our partners have no activities that currently meet the 'new efforts' criterion	5% 2
We have applied for but not received global mission partnership grants in the past	0% 0
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We have applied for but not received global mission partnership grants in the past	0% 0
We are aware of NCP global partnership grants, but even though our congregation has global mission activities we have never applied for a matching grant	18% 7



Significant number of congregations are unaware of grants

Why do congregations not apply?

- Ample resources
- No mission efforts which fit criteria
- Non presbyterian partner – assumed not eligible

Does your congregation provide financial support to global mission organizations?

No, we do not currently provide financial support to any global mission organizations	8% 3
Yes we provide financial support to global mission organizations	92% 35

Most congregations provide support to global mission organizations

Over half of these support Presbyterian Disaster Assistance

What global mission organizations do congregations support?

Number of Congregations supporting	
Presbyterian Disaster Assistance	20
Medical Benevolence Foundation	4
Community Coalition for Haiti	3
One Great Hour of Sharing	2
Reve Kandale	2
Forman Christian College	2

38 organizations supported by just 1 congregation

Does your congregation support PC USA mission coworkers?

No , our congregation does not currently support any PC USA mission workers	62% 25
Yes, our congregation supports one or more PC USA mission coworkers	39% 13

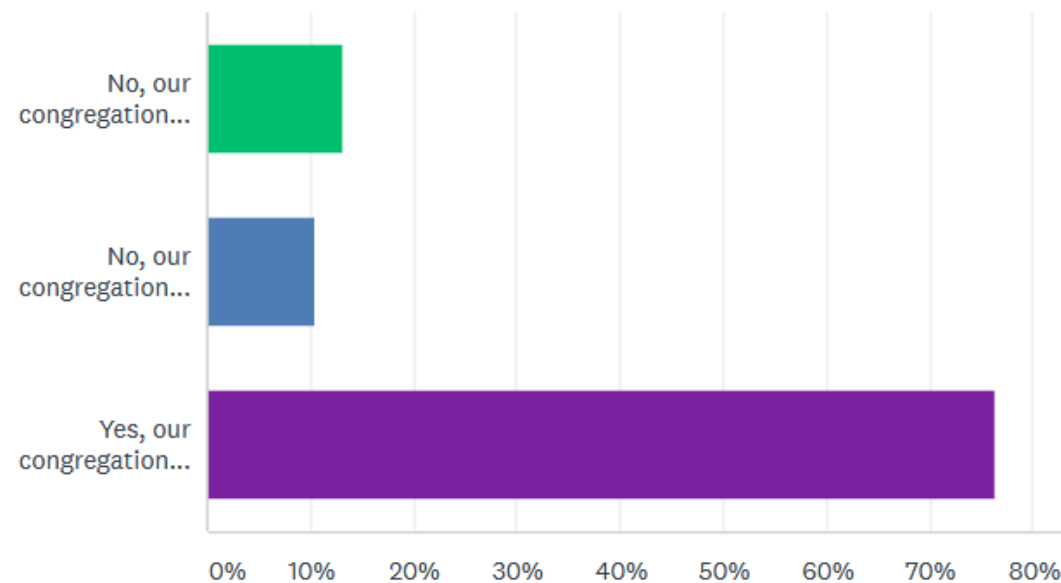
Most congregations do not support mission workers

Which co-workers do congregations support?

3	Parker - Lebanon & Syria
2	Barnes - Malawi
2	Correll - Haiti
2	Dicks - Isreal Palestine
2	Ellingtons - Zambia
1	Carhuarchin - Columbia
1	Cooper - East Africa
1	Farsjiana - Indonesia
1	Unnamed - Ghana
1	Hare & Brent - Costa Rica
1	Holman- Cuba
1	Holme- Malawi
1	Kennedy - Egypt
1	Lopez - Philippines
1	Smith - So America
1	Stuebing Adams - Malawi
1	Walkers - Columbia

Does your congregation currently have any active global mission partnerships ?

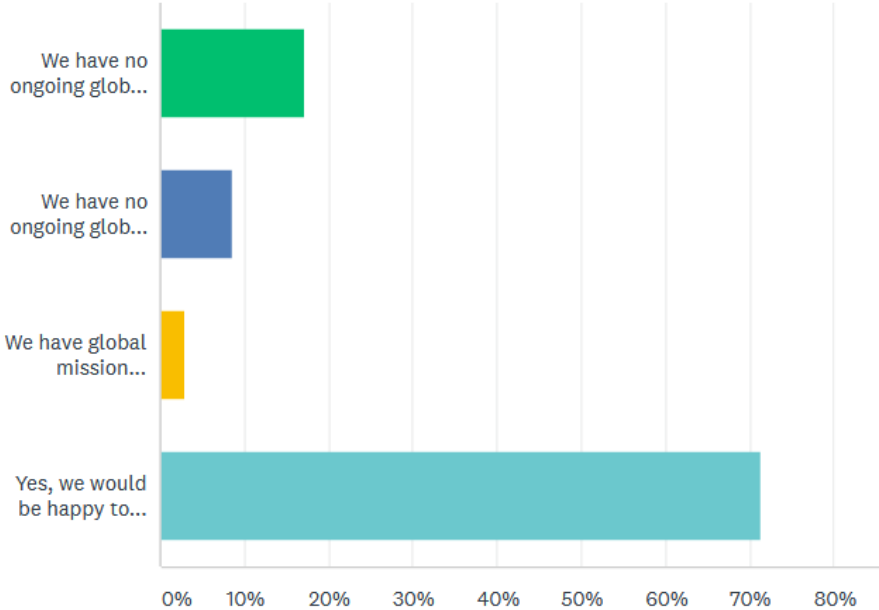
No, our congregation does not have any global mission partnerships and there is no interest at this time	21% 8
No, our congregation does not have any global mission partnerships at this time, but we are interested in exploring possible partnership opportunities	5% 2
Yes , our congregation currently has one or more active global mission partnerships	71% 27



Most congregations global mission partnerships

Would you be willing to have your global mission activities listed in a yearly NCP global mission directory available to NCP congregations?

We have no ongoing global mission activities	18% 7
We have no ongoing global mission activities, but I would be interested in a directory of global missions activities underway by other NCP congregations	5% 2
We have global mission activities, but we are not interested in having these included in an NCP directory	5% 4
Yes , we would be happy to have our global mission activities included in an NCP directory	66% 25



Most congregations are willing to share mission information in a directory

Partnerships – Interest to be included in Directory (1 of 2)

Congregation	Area	Partnership
Clifton/Burke	Kenya	Presbyterian Church of East Africa at Kibwezi, Kenya Education Center, Polytechnic, Preschools, and Orphan Care
Clifton	Kenya	Walking with Africans Micro finance program
John Calvin	Kenya	Kisima Child Care Academy via For the Kids International
Westminster/Lewinsville/ Meeting House	Kenya	United Orphanage & Academy in Mois Bridge, Kenya (in cooperation with Westminster Presbyterian Church, Alexandria, VA, and Old Presbyterian Meeting House, Alexandria, VA),
New York Avenue/ Meeting House	Kenya	Presbyterian Children's Program in the village of Njoro - New York Avenue Presbyterian Church is the lead with Meeting House supporting
Heritage	Malawi	Chinunkha Congregation of the Church of Central African Presbyterian (CCAP) to provide electricity and a Maize Mill for their church and community in partnership with Synod of Livingstonia in CCAP
St Matthew	Malawi	Livingstonia University in Malawi
Darnestown	Congo	REVE Kandale Foundation, Democratic Republic of the Congo
Westminster DC	South Africa	Bokamoso Youth Center in Wintervelt, South Africa. One of our members is on the board. It is not Presbyterian related. We typically have hosted a group of the youth who come for one month until Covid
Bush Hill	Liberia	Todee Presbyterian Mission School in Liberia
Clifton	Haiti	Hearts with Haiti with Wings of Hope.
St Andrew	Haiti	Community Coalition for Haiti - Haiti; healthcare, education, community development, leadership development, collections Stateside of needed supplies, support of US fundraising efforts/events, possible future mission trip Lutheran Mission agency that
Bush Hill	Haiti	ESPWA
Meeting House	Haiti	Community Coalition for Haiti

Partnerships – Interest to be included in Directory (2 of 2)

Manassas	Mexico	Faith Ministry - Mexico, Support the ministries activities in housing, community wellness, education and empowerment, spiritual growth in northern Mexico. www.faithministry.org
Bradley Hills	Mexico	Presbyterian mission activity in Juarez, Mexico. This includes: financial support for the Pastor, Juan Pablo Gutierrez; home repair in Juarez; building houses in Granjas Del Desierto; funding the building of a Sanctuary/Multi-Purpose in Granjas; and preparations
New York Avenue/ Church of the Pilgrims	Cuba	First Presbyterian-Reformed Church of Havana - reciprocal visits; providing some financial support; an NYA-led group visits annually.
Providence	Cuba	Guanabacoa Presbyterian Church in Cuba
Grace	Honduras	Sponsor of Pastor Selvin Elvir, associated with Honduras Outreach International, who ministers to villagers in the Rancho El
St Andrew	Syria	US-Syria, financial support, coat and supplies collection
Grace	Palestine	St. Philip's Church, Nablus, Palestine; Church of the Good Shepherd, Rafidiya, Palestine
Meeting House	Pakistan	Presbyterian Education Board
New York Avenue	Iraq	National Evangelical (Presbyterian) Church in Baghdad and the National Evangelical (Presbyterian) Church in Basrah - some financial gifts; hosting visitors from the churches; participate on the Steering Committee for the Iraq Partnership Network
New York Avenue	Syria	National Evangelical (Presbyterian) Church in Damascus and National Evangelical (Presbyterian) Church in Homs - some financial and other, material gifts; connections with pastors and their families
Kirkwood	Japan	MTW - the Mirabella's - Japan - close relative of one of our members - support financially and receive updates from them.
Clifton	Water	Waterlines USA Santa Fe, New Mexico Rainwater harvesting and WASH in Health Care Facilities
Vienna	Several	New Hope/ECMI Ministry Eastern Europe Provision, Ted and Joy Carr South Africa Christian Best Camps of Kenya, Erick Simba Nairobi PCUSA Colombia Plant, 3 church plants by VPC in Uraba WEC International, Global Sports Outreach Institute, Uganda, El Salvador, Mexico The Jesus Film, global The Antioch Partners, Global Antioch Global, Northern Africa IFES, Serbia Five Talents, Global Farthest Corners, Myanmar

Is your congregation currently engaged in the NCP Global Mission Network?



Opportunity to expand the Global Mission Network

Which of the current Global Mission Network actions do you see as valuable to congregations?

I have too little knowledge about the Global Mission Network activities to provide an opinion	44% 17
Meetings provide the opportunity to engage with members of other congregations active in global mission	33% 13
Meetings offer the opportunity to hear about current PC USA and congregational mission programs	31% 12
Meetings provide opportunity to hear first-hand from mission coworkers (either while visiting here or via Zoom)	38% 15
Global mission grants provide financial resource to expand partnership activities	41.03% 16

Some appreciation for **all** of the current GMN activities

What types of activities would you like to see from the NCP Global Mission Team to support your congregations global mission activities?

None, our congregation has no global mission activities or plans for global missions	5%	2	
None, our congregation has no need for NCP support for our congregation's global mission activities	5%	2	
More global mission grants	30%	11	
Global Mission NCP directory	51%	19	NCP Mission Directory
Information on mission trips that members of our congregation could engage in	51%	19	Information on Mission Trips
NCP global mission 'fair'	22%	8	
Information on current NCP global mission partners	62%	23	Information on Mission Partners
Regular global mission updates at Presbytery meetings	24%	9	

Greatest interest in **directory**, and information on **mission trips** & **mission partners**

What other things would your congregation like to let the Global Missions Network know in order to increase their support to NCP congregations? (1 of 3)

- Outreach

- Visit NCP churches and present classes on global mission experiences and possibilities. Provide dates and times of network and NCP Global Missions Network meetings, maybe in Thursday Mail.
- Perhaps some kind of quarterly email update to congregations with info that is easy to use—i.e., mission trips, fundraising events, speaker bureaus
- Get the word out!
- Continue to reach out across the Presbytery to include more churches
- Please contact me

What other things would your congregation like to let the Global Missions Network know in order to increase their support to NCP congregations? (2 of 3)

- **Grants and Financials**

- Our congregation gives annually to the PC(USA) Unified Mission Giving budget, and we're curious what percentage of our contribution goes directly to the NCP Global Mission Network? In addition, we'd love to better understand the **total operating budget of the NCP Global Mission Network and breakout** of said budget amongst the different programs / partnerships.
- Issue an **annual report** showing the actual \$ amounts and % of funds that go directly to mission organizations and the \$ amount and % that go to overhead expenses such as staff, travel, etc.
- Either revise criteria for NCP global mission partnership **grants** so that travel by members of the congregation isn't so necessary or provide examples if that's not the case.

What other things would your congregation like to let the Global Missions Network know in order to increase their support to NCP congregations? (3 of 3)

- **Information on**

- Are there things that would make it easier when we go on **international mission trips**? What about an established relationship with a travel insurance company that would provide emergency medical care/evacuation?
- Share or point us to resources that help congregations form and/or work towards **best practices** in the area of **global mission partnerships**.
- Help congregations understand the **larger shifts and changes** in global mission that impact all of our various projects (more helpful than "show and tell" sessions). What does transformation look like in this space? What old ways may need to be left behind, and what needs to be embraced?
- Keep us informed of **projects** we may or should be participating in. It would be great to have resource/think tank for something like loading a tractor/trailer of supplies to Liberia, for example. We are interested in other work in Haiti.
- Listing of best **information sources for small countries** that rarely get news coverage, or information as to how to research same.

In sum

- NCP congregations are active in global mission
 - Most have active global mission **partnerships** (71%)
 - Most **financially support** global mission organizations (92%), particularly Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, although **less than half support PCUSA mission coworkers** (39%)
 - Most congregations with active mission partnerships are willing to contribute to an NCP **global mission directory**
- Opportunities for added GMN outreach
 - Many congregations are **unaware** of global mission grants (36%)
 - Most congregations which were unaware of the Network said they would be **interested** to know more
- Recommendations for action
 - Post presentation on GMN NCP web page
 - Continue current efforts
 - Follow-up on creating global mission directory
 - Clarify grants - PCUSA not a requirement, nor is travel (provide example), require participation in directory
 - Add outreach to increase participating congregations – quarterly newsletter?
 - Provide insights on financials and grants – link on webpage showing prior year budget and expenditure
 - Share more information and events to support congregations in
 - Forming mission partnerships
 - Organizing mission trips
 - Engage on common topics
 - Address larger changes affecting global mission

Discussion