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Global Mission Partnership Directory



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Introduction

The purpose of the directory is to share information about global mission partnerships and opportunities for others to learn from and join current partnership activities.

In the National Capital Presbytery, in addition to supporting denominational initiatives including Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Medical Benevolence Foundation and PC USA mission co-workers, congregations focus their global mission efforts in areas of particular interest to their members, forming partnerships to directly work with partner organizations across the globe. Over a third of all congregations in the Presbytery maintain a global partnership, and this directory is way to share these experiences.

Current National Capital Presbytery congregational partnerships span the globe.





Community Coalition for Haiti (CCH), Haiti

Congregations:

Vienna PC, Saint Andrew PC, Old Presbyterian Meeting House, Westminster PC, Catocin PC

Description:

CCH transforms lives, one by one, through long term and community driven solutions in healthcare, education & community development. CCH Clinics, combined, serve more than 20,000 patients each year - regardless of their ability to pay. Teacher training in 25 rural partner schools equips and empowers Haitian educators. School gardens, hot lunch programs and on-site school nurses put food in hungry bellies and ensure that students and their families have access to healthcare and health education.

Opportunities:

Collect needed materials and supplies in the US; Host *Your Change Can Change Lives* drives or *Parties with a Purpose*; Support annual fundraising campaigns & events; Partner with CCH on Adult & Youth Mission Trips (when travel opens again); Leadership development & mentoring; Pray for our mission, ministry & staff.

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Presbyterian Education Board in Pakistan (PEB), Punjab Province, Pakistan

Congregations: Old Presbyterian Meeting House

Description: PEB provides quality education rooted in Christian values to all regardless of gender, religion, or the ability to pay. The 6000 students who attend the 25 schools are generally poor, come from rural areas, and may be representative of cultural or religious minorities. PEB also sponsors programs to enhance women's empowerment and adult literacy.

Opportunities: Pre-Covid, PEB hosted tours to Pakistan twice yearly, one for educators interested in sharing instructional techniques with PEB teachers and the other highlighting school visits and interaction with students and staff.

PEB's director, Mrs. Veda Gill visits church groups during her frequent visits to the U.S., and Friends of PEB, located in Thorndale PA, is a ready source of information.

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PEB <https://www.peb.edu.pk/>

Friends of PEB <https://www.friendsofpeb.org/>



Forman Christian College, Lahore, Pakistan

Congregation: Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church

Description: Each year, Bradley Hills funds scholarships for 9 to 12 female students at Forman Christian College. FCC educates Christians and Muslims in an interfaith, co-educational environment, and was founded in 1864 by Charles Forman, a Presbyterian missionary from the US and great-grandfather of Bradley Hills members of Bradley Hills, Doug and Catherine Forman. Its Rector is Dr. Jonathan Addleton, born in Pakistan, former US Ambassador to Mongolia, and five-time Mission Director with USAID.

Opportunities: Funding of additional scholarships

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Chinunkha Congregation Partnership, Chinunkha, Malawi (Northern Region, Chitipa District)

Congregation: Heritage Presbyterian Church, Alexandria, Virginia

Description: In 2015, the Chinunkha Congregation Partnership defined a developmental agenda for this remote community. The first project was an income generating activity that would enable the processing of locally grown maize. On May 13, 2021, the opening ceremony of the maize mills brought to fruition this first of many projects. Future partnership projects may include clean and safe drinking water, a nursery school and a Pig Project. All is done in partnership with the Synod of Livingstonia CCAP and the National Capital Presbytery of PCUSA.

Opportunities: TBD due to COVID

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Ahli Arab Hospital, Gaza City, Gaza

Congregation: Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church

Description: The only Christian hospital in the densely populated Gaza Strip, Ahli Arab Hospital provides compassionate care to all who walk through its doors. Gaza's borders are closed, but exceptions are made for the transport of medicines, medical supplies, fuel and water. The hospital needs help to continue its mission of caring for the sick and the injured and treating thousands of post-conflict trauma cases, many of them children who have lost family members.

Opportunities: Provide financial support to the hospital through US-based NGO American Friends of Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem, (<https://afedj.org/institution/ahli-arab-hospital-gaza-city/>), which in turn sends 100% of donated funds to the hospital quickly and safely.

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Buyobo Community Development Association, Uganda

Congregation: Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church

Description: Local Village Health Teams volunteers, participating in a grassroots initiative provide health prevention services, trainings in basic self and family health care for rural residents, urgent first aid assistance, and emergency referrals to distant town hospitals. In 2003, Bradley Hills members traveled to Eastern Uganda responding to urgent needs for medical services delivery in rural Buyobo. A program called “Village Health Teams” was on the books in the Ministry of Health, but there were no working examples of how such programs were to operate. Through a carefully coordinated collaboration in which Bradley Hills members originally from Buyobo were key, Bradley Hills designed a partnership with a community development association to build a thriving volunteer service corps in a place where there was previously no culture of volunteerism. Now, through regular training sessions, Village Health Teams workers are highly respected, motivated and equipped to reach out to the rural community on foot and motorbike, rain or shine, to be the first line of treatment, information, assistance and inspiration.

Opportunities: Provide moral, consultative, and monetary backing for a robust community initiative in a politically sidelined region, offering prayer, correspondence, training visits and financial contributions. The latter cover the costs of equipment for building demonstration latrines, clean water filters, and boots and jackets for the volunteers, as well as the costs of bi-annual trainings in all-day lecture and demonstration sessions: travel for trainer and participants to rural training sites, food purchases and meals preparation for all volunteers attending the popular data-rich sessions, and printing costs for manuals.

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New Story Leadership, Israel, Palestine, & Takoma Park, MD

Congregations: Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church
St. Mark's Presbyterian Church
Trinity Presbyterian Church

Description: New Story Leadership (NSL) equips Israeli and Palestinian young adult leaders ("NSL delegates") to advocate for peace through personal narrative, and to implement projects for social change, with creative adaptation to online programming during COVID. NSL hopes to return soon to its pre-COVID program of hosting 10 delegates (5 Israeli, 5 Palestinian) in Washington, DC for 7 weeks during the summer for Congressional internships in addition to training to be effective social change agents for Middle East peace.

Opportunities: Volunteer to be host family for 1-2 Israeli and Palestinian delegates for 7 weeks in the summer

Provide financial support to NSL, possibly in the form of financially sponsoring a delegate for a summer

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European Christian Mission International (ECMI)/New Hope, Bulgaria, Ukraine, Romania

Congregations: Vienna Presbyterian Church

Description: ECM is currently working in these countries with ministries including pastor training, refugee ministry, whole-life discipleship, Roma ministry, teaching and human trafficking prevention. The Ukraine Ministry also incorporates a large Orphan Care program, facilitating adoptions by Christian families and supporting the families.

Opportunities: Before COVID, we have had several groups travel to Ukraine and Bulgaria. Assistance is needed for large summer Evangelism efforts at both locations. Ministry at the refugee camps in Bulgaria is a critical part of the Bulgarian focus.

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Pro-Vision, South Africa, including Mozambique

Congregations: Vienna Presbyterian Church

Description: Pro-Vision mentors Servant Leaders throughout South Africa. From equipping their flocks spiritually and practically, Pro-Vision utilizes their M-Cubed model – mentoring, money and management. Additionally, Pro-Vision is typically first on the scene of many natural disasters from typhoons to hurricanes.

Opportunities: Currently prayer and financial support

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Farthest Corners, Myanmar

Congregations: Vienna Presbyterian Church (home church Greenwich Presbytery)

Description: Serving for many years in Myanmar and Thailand, Austin and Sinte House mentor and disciple leaders throughout the region. Additionally, homes are available for orphan care and educational assistance. The House Family fled Myanmar this past year due to extreme violence in the area. They are committed to return.

Opportunities: Prayers for the end to violence and political corruption so the House Family may return to their life's work

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Colombia Church Plants, Uruba, Colombia, South America

Congregations: Vienna Presbyterian Church

Description: A distinctly 'home-grown' ministry at VPC, led by members David and Joan Gifford. Traveling with PC(USA) on an early trip led to the efforts of this couple to build the Kingdom in the region. To date, VPC has planted 3 local churches, planted a teca crop for pastoral retirements, installed a well for the community, built the pastor's housing, furnished the Sunday School classes with supplies and curriculum, and in conjunction with NCP, purchased land for sustainability of the congregation.

Opportunities: Dave and Joan would love to travel with a team to Colombia when conditions (COVID, political, etc.) allow

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Sports Outreach Institute, Central America, Uganda, Mexico, India, Croatia

Congregation: Vienna Presbyterian Church

Description: Using sports as the hook, SOI provides sports training, sharing the truth of the Gospel, and building trusting relationships.

The goal is to go deeper into lives through mentoring; to meet emotional, practical and spiritual needs through discipleship; and to equip people to deploy the next generation of servant leaders.

Opportunities: Ongoing mission trips are available from the United States to Africa

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Syria Partnership, Damascus and Homs, Syria

Congregation: The New York Avenue Presbyterian Church

Description: Partnership with the National Evangelical (Presbyterian) Church in Damascus and the National Evangelical (Presbyterian) Church in Homs, providing some financial and other, material gifts; connections with pastors.

Opportunities: Host visitors, provide financial support, participate in GMN Iraq-Syria Network, PC(USA) Iraq Partnership Network, connect with The Outreach Foundation

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Cuba Partnership, Havana, Cuba

- Congregations:** The New York Avenue Presbyterian(lead)
Church of the Pilgrims (supporting)
- Description:** Partnership with the First Presbyterian-Reformed Church of Havana through reciprocal visits, prayer, personal contacts, and some financial support
- Opportunities:** A NYA-led group visits annually, others are welcome
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Iraq Partnership, Bagdad and Basrah, Iraq

- Congregations:** The New York Avenue Presbyterian Church
- Description:** Partnership with the National Evangelical (Presbyterian) Church in Baghdad and the National Evangelical (Presbyterian) Church in Basrah, providing some financial gifts, hosting visitors from the churches, participating on the Steering Committee for the Iraq Partnership Network, and working with The Outreach Foundation
- Opportunities:** Host visitors, provide financial support, participate in GMN Iraq-Syria Network, PC(USA) Iraq Partnership Network, connect with The Outreach Foundation
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United Orphanage & Academy (UOA), Moi's Bridge, Kenya

Congregations: Westminster - Alexandria (lead)
Meeting House (supporting)
Lewisville (supporting)

Description: UOA provides a home for over 50 children with support through secondary school and college/technical school. The Academy educates 200+ children grades K-8, with scholarships for 40 local children.

Opportunities: Before COVID, trips were made to UOA approximately every 2 years for project planning and special projects with the children and students.

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Orphans & Vulnerable Children Ministry, Njoro, Kenya

- Congregations:** New York Avenue Presbyterian, DC (lead)
Meeting House, Alexandria (supporting)
- Description:** Program for 35 orphan and vulnerable children in partnership with the Presbyterian Church of East Africa, Njoro Parish. The program provides school fees, uniforms, and food support to families, as well as a Saturday program of spiritual nurture, tutoring, counseling, recreation, and fellowship.
- Opportunities:** Before COVID-19, USA mission trips every 2 years were made to Njoro (Nakuru County) for project planning, family visits, and special projects with the children and students during their school vacation.
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Kibwezi Kenya Education Centre, Tumaini (Hope) Orphan Care Programme, and Kibwezi Nendeni area support – local partnership with Nairobi Central Presbytery (PCEA), Kibwezi, Kenya

Congregations: Burke Presbyterian Church
Clifton Presbyterian Church

Description: Orphan Care Programme for 35 children (and post-High School support for several). Support for 10 preschools in the Kibwezi Nendeni (bush) area. General support for the PCEA Educational Centre (Primary and Polytechnic schools) and the church Pastor, elders and evangelists. Food relief for community due to Covid.

Opportunities: The 2020 Work Camp for youth and young adults was canceled due to Covid. There MAY be a three-week Work Camp (tent living on the school campus in Kibwezi) in the summer of 2023. Planning will start in early Fall of 2022. It is likely that youth will have to be accompanied by a parent or “personal” responsible adult due to the

possibility that quarantine procedures could affect exiting Kenya.

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Kisima Child Care Academy via For the Kids International, Naitiri, Kenya

Congregations: John Calvin Presbyterian Church - Annandale, VA
Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church - Loudon, TN

Description: School in rural Kenya providing housing, meals, education and emotional support for 126 orphans from arrival at the school to adulthood along with education and a daily meal for approximately 200 local community students from pre-K through 8th grade that would otherwise not receive an education due to extreme poverty.

Opportunities: Annual trips are planned to restart in 2022 to connect with the students, teachers, and administrative team as

well as for project and strategic planning. 2019 and 2020 were canceled due to Covid.

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**Christian Best Camps of Kenya (CBCK),
Kibra Slum, Nairobi Kenya**

Location: Kenya

Congregations: Vienna Presbyterian Church

Description: Modeling a US Christian Sports Camp, Simba offers a similar experience to children in the Kibra Slum. Thousands of children have attended the camp. Additionally, CBCK has built a community center in Kibra, and it serves a vital role of meeting and training space, discipleship, food distribution, fellowship, job training and educational assistance.

Opportunities: We will resume mission trips to CBCK when Covid conditions allow

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Kandale Foundation (RKF) REVE Kandale Foundation, Congo

Location: Bethesda, MD

Congregations: Saint Mark PC (Lead)
Darnestown PC (Supporting)
Heritage PC (Supporting)

Description: REVE Kandale Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization in Bethesda, MD, that supports self-help initiatives in rural Congo. We partner with a strong local community organization in Congo to help children realize their dreams of a better life by building schools, supplying clean water, planting trees to protect the environment, supporting the development of girls, and engaging youth through sport.

Opportunities: COVID allowing, we organize trips each year to oversee projects on the grounds, meet with the local community to evaluate needs and discuss future projects.

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Sazu Church of Central Africa Presbyterian (CCAP) Vestry Preschool -- Malawi

Location: Malawi

Congregations: Burke Presbyterian Church)

Description: The Sazu preschool, the first in this rural village of Malawi, is small BPC partnership program, funded by Christmas Alternative Gifts. To foster ownership, parents provide labor, especially during construction. Fortified flour for porridge is purchased with donated funds. The school which uses the prayer house required substantial renovations and improvements. BPC with an NCP/GMN grant helped in this reconstruction and rehabilitation. With the outbreak of Covid 19 pandemic, construction is underway for a kitchen, toilets and other health related facilities, thanks to BPC and another matching GMN grant.

Opportunities: A \$25 donation is enough to provide fortified porridge for a month.

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Embangweni Mission Hospital – Malawi The Antiretroviral Treatment Program

Location: Malawi

Congregations: Burke Presbyterian Church)

Description: The Antiretroviral treatment program at the Embangweni Mission Hospital was founded by PCUSA Mission coworkers, Bill and Beth Rule, then from Leesburg PC and Beth, who had worked with an HIV program in Fairfax, quickly noticed signs of the disease among some hospital staff. At that time, they were unwilling to admit because of the associated stigma. Initially designed for the staff in 2002/3, the program has expanded to treat patients in the whole catchment area, served by outlying clinics. Dr. Martha Sommers who took over when Beth and Bill returned to the US, counselled BPC members that she needed to treat the patient holistically. Hence, apart from providing the HIV medications, the program now offers food and treatment for opportunistic diseases. It is now supervised and run by a Malawian doctor, Dr, Kondwani Zgambo.

Opportunities: A small sum, say \$25, helps to build this Trust Fund where the doctors at the hospital are now able treat the HIV patients holistically.

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