PROCLAMATION PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Committee Charter – Missions

PURPOSE

A ministry of Proclamation Presbyterian Church under the oversight of the Session, the Missions Committee prayerfully purposes to cultivate, support and provide spiritual, moral, and ministerial oversight to our missionaries, who, by the ministry of the Holy Spirit, have dedicated themselves to fulfilling the Great Commission.

HOW WE'LL PROCEED

By communicating the biblical teaching of missions, the history of world missions, including that within the PCA, as well as the work of Proclamation supported missionaries, the Missions Committee will enthusiastically encourage the Proclamation congregation to pray for the work of missions around the world with emphasis on fulfilling the Great Commission, to give financially for the spread of the Gospel, and to participate practically in encouraging Proclamation missionaries and their work. The Missions Committee will also work to challenge and help prepare Proclamation members for full time service in missions.

WHAT WE'LL DO

- Set short and long-term missions goals for international fields as well as within the USA
- Oversee the spiritual, moral, and ministerial faithfulness of Proclamation missionaries
- Develop awareness and educate the congregation with appropriate missions exposure. Examples: workshops, announcements, mission moments and the missions conference.
- Encourage missionary service from within the congregation
- Stimulate giving
- Recommend missions and missionaries for support, increased or decreased support or removal of support
- Prepare and administer the missions budget
- Care for furloughing or visiting missionaries

COMPOSITION OF THE COMMITTEE

Membership shall be a minimum of five members, but not more than twelve members. The session will be given nominations and they may select members from the list of nominations or others at their discretion. The term of committee membership is three years. Any member of PPC may serve two terms in a row, if asked and willing, but then must resign from the committee for at least one year. The ruling elder currently serving on the Session shall be a voting member of the committee. The Senior Pastor or his designee shall be an ex officio member of the committee. The Chair will be selected annually by a vote of the committee and approval of the Session to a one-year term which will become effective on July 1.

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MEETINGS OF THE COMMITTEE

The committee shall meet once a month, except for August. Minutes are to be kept and stored in an electronic file in the church office after approval by the missions committee. A copy of minutes should also be distributed by the secretary to the administrative staff for bookkeeping purposes and to the Clerk of Session.

CRITERIA FOR SUPPORT

International missionaries should exhibit a strong theological commitment to the Reformed Tradition and should generally live in the field where they are called to serve. International support will generally be reserved for: church planting, Bible translation, theological education, word-based ministry, and unreached people groups.

Domestic missionaries should exhibit a strong theological commitment to the Reformed Tradition and should generally serve "on the front lines" rather than working in an administrative or fundraising capacity. Domestic support will generally be reserved for: campus ministry, pro-life ministry, disability ministry, disaster relief, understanding biblical sexuality, and church planting.

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