

Mission and Outreach Committee Charter

This committee is responsible for leading the congregation in ministries of caring, compassion, justice and peace that reach beyond our walls into the community, the nation, and the world.

I. Areas of responsibility include:

- Mission funding
- Local mission volunteer coordination
- In-house mission projects
- Collaboration with local organizations, such as Caring Hearts, UrbanPromise, St. Wilfrid's and other groups that care for those in need
- Promote collections and donations as approved by Session, including PC(USA) offerings
- Mission education and interpretation
- Global mission
- Promote care for all of God's creation

II. Committee Composition and Governance

- A. Membership -- Assigned Elders and any members of FPC congregation interested in mission, advocacy, or outreach work.
- B. The chairperson will be an Elder. Team leaders for specific projects and activities will be volunteers designated by the chairperson.

III. Meetings

- A. The Committee will meet a minimum of three times per year at a time designated by the chairperson. Every effort should be made to find time acceptable to as many members of the committee as possible.
- B. When appropriate, email communications to the entire committee can be used in lieu of one of the meetings, but not the meeting to approve the upcoming year's budget.
- C. All FPC members are welcome to join meetings and offer input.

IV. Reporting

- A. Team leaders will report to the committee on their activities and may also report directly to the congregation through FPC updates, newsletters, and bulletins.
- B. The chairperson will update Session on committee activities and get approval for annual special offerings and fundraisers not included in the budget.

V. Background

The Mission Committee is a standing committee of Session charged with responding to the Scriptural calls detailed under "Purpose" from the Book of Order. In the 1990s, the Mission Committee was charged by Session to work towards getting a greater percentage of FPC members involved in hands-on mission work.

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