

Prayers for Being in Mission

The General Board of Global Ministries is the global mission agency of The United Methodist Church. This resource provides a wealth of information on how annual conferences, missionary conferences and local churches can help make disciples, build up the church, alleviate suffering, and promote justice, freedom, and peace through missions. Here are 10 ways you can begin sharing God's love today.

1. Purchase a prayer calendar, which provides daily guidance for the work and workers of the General Board of Global Ministries. Their Web site, www.new.gb-gm-umc.org, provides dozens of other ideas for supporting missions.
2. Assemble disaster relief kits for UMCOR: The United Methodist Committee on Relief. Visit www.new.gb-gm-umc.org/umcor.
3. Purchase coffee, tea, chocolate, and craft items from fair trade distributors to help ensure a better life for farmers and artisans globally. Visit www.new.gb-gm-umc.org/umcor/work/hunger/fair-trade.
4. Adopt a missionary family. Pray for them and send letters and e-mails of encouragement, care packages, birthday and anniversary cards, and news from back home.
5. Go on a short-term mission trip.
6. Pray for missionaries and their families, unreached people groups and new church starts.
7. Support mission outreach programs with your prayers, presence, gifts or service.
8. Give generously to The Advance for Christ, which supports missions through special offerings.
9. Volunteer to serve on your church's missions committee.
10. Attend or organize a fair that celebrates missions.



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But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 God, thank you for your command and commission to the church to go and make disciples of all nations. Matt. 28:18-20	2 God, provide ample opportunities for missionaries to boldly and effectively proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ. 2 Tim. 1:7	3 God, we pray for missionaries and their families. Protect them from harm, loneliness and discouragement. Ps. 16:1	4 God, encourage pastors, personnel and agencies who plan and direct missionary outreach programs. Heb. 3:13	5 God, bless all persons working to establish new churches and strengthen existing ones. Matt. 16:18	6 God, grant wisdom, compassion and healing power to medical mission teams tending to ill and injured persons. Lk. 6:19
7 God, bless and protect dental missionary teams ministering to people living in remote areas. Deut. 18:5	8 God, we pray for vision missionary teams who bring the "gift of sight" to people. 1 Cor. 12:28	9 God, we lift up all persons working to provide clean drinking water and proper sanitation to people worldwide. Heb. 13:21	10 God, equip mission teams and related agencies with the resources required to help eradicate malaria in Africa. Matt. 4:23	11 God, we pray for all persons who bring hope to HIV/AIDS patients and their families impacted by this disease. Job 11:18	12 God, bless all persons who seek to improve people's quality of life via educational and vocational programs. Ps. 119:66	13 God, we lift up people who found schools and provide tuition, scholarships, school supplies and tutoring for needy children. Ps. 34:11
14 God, we pray for all persons who help bridge cultural gaps by teaching English as a second language. 1 Cor. 12:28	15 God, bless and protect everyone all who serve as interpreters on mission trips to nations. 1 Cor. 12:10	16 God, be with all persons who advocate justice so that everyone may live in peace, reconciliation and harmony with one another. Matt. 5:9	17 God, guide all persons working on behalf of fair and just immigration policies in the U.S. and the world. Ex. 22:21	18 God, we lift up everyone who feeds the hungry and works to alleviate the root causes of hunger and poverty. Matt. 25:35	19 God, equip all persons who advocate on behalf of individuals with mental, physical and developmental disabilities. Heb. 13:21	20 God, empower persons working to address drug abuse, poverty, crime, violence, and poor education and housing in urban areas. Ex. 23:6
21 God, bless persons seeking to transform communities with poor nutritional and economic standards into thriving centers of production. Ps. 132:15	22 God, grant strength and stamina to persons who build shelters and work tirelessly to help the homeless regain their independence. Isa. 58:7	23 God, provide wisdom to all persons who promote diversity and work to dismantle the barriers of racism and discrimination. 2 Cor. 5:18-19	24 God, direct the paths of persons dedicated to the prevention and treatment of substance abuse, pornography and gambling. 2 Thess. 3:5	25 God, give courage to persons seeking to protect children from exploitation and abuse. Jn. 17:15	26 God, bless persons seeking to provide a safe haven for refugees and innocent victims of conflict who live in harm's way. Ps. 4:8	27 God, we pray for all persons working to improve the safety, education, and welfare of children and youth. Matt. 19:14
28 God, open doors for persons involved in prison ministries to share the gospel of Jesus Christ. Matt. 25:36	29 God, we lift up persons working to ease suffering and provide immediate relief in the wake of disasters. Matt. 25:35-36	30 God, empower persons involved in long-term disaster recovery efforts as they help rebuild communities and nations. 2 Cor. 1:4	31 God, bless persons who promote environmental justice through sound stewardship of the earth and environmentally friendly lifestyles. Gen. 1			 www.ngumc.org