

**Partnership in Mission Resources**  
Presbyterian World Mission                      Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)



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“Presbyterians Do  
Mission in Partnership”

Policy Statement approved by  
the 215<sup>th</sup> General Assembly  
with Principles of Partnership  
and Partnership Commitments

PDS #74 200 03 001

“Presbyterians Do Mission  
in Partnership:” A Manual  
for Establishing, Growing  
and Renewing  
International Partner  
Relationships

(in progress)  
PDS #74 280 03 004

***Partnership, Solidarity and Friendship: Transforming Structures in Mission***, Philip L. Wickeri, PDS# 74 200 03 002 (\$2.95). Companion piece to *Presbyterians Do Mission In Partnership* policy statement, the author critically assesses the history of “mission in partnership” and proposes new directions for the future. (Available in Spanish – Fall 2004)

***Partners In Christ’s Service: The Practice of God’s Mission***, Sherron K. George, Geneva Press. Companion piece to *Presbyterians Do Mission In Partnership* policy statement, the author explores the *why* of mission partnerships; the *how* of missional attitudes; and the *what* of missional practices from Biblical groundings throughout the gospel of John. \$12.95; Geneva Press ([www.genevapress.com](http://www.genevapress.com))

***Gathering for God’s Future*** – A vision statement for PC(USA) international mission efforts (approved by the 215<sup>th</sup> General Assembly, 2003). PDS #74 900 03 001. New: ***Gathering for God’s Future: A Study Guide***: companion piece to the vision statement. A useful resource for folks interested in international mission. PDS#74 900 04 001 (free)

## Bible Study and Prayer Resources

***God for the World – Church for the World: The Mission of the Church in Today's World***, Shirley C. Guthrie, Witherspoon Press (\$10.95), (800) 524-2612. The author presents a series of discussions about the mission of the church in the context of the Bible and the Book of Confessions in today's world.

***Meeting Your Neighbor: Multiculturalism in Luke and Acts***, Sherron K. George, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), PDS# 72-305-00-001 (\$4.95). This bible study on multiculturalism will spark thoughtful discussion and provide Biblical grounding for a deeper understanding of cultural diversity as seen in the early church.

***Mission Yearbook for Prayer and Study***, Congregational Ministries Publishing, (\$8.50 per copy or \$7.50 each for more than 10 copies). Annual publication focused on mission stories, lectionary and prayer. PDS# 70-350-04-450.

***Children's Mission Yearbook for Prayer and Study***, Congregational Ministries Publishing, (\$5.50 or \$4.00 each for 10 or more copies). This denominational resource includes scripture passages, features a PC(USA) presbytery, and a mission site or issue from around the world. Craft ideas, games, activities complete the weekly lesson. PDS #70-612-04-451.

## Short-term Missions

***When God's People Travel Together, Volume 1: A Trip Leader's Planning Manual***, Debbie D. Vial, Presbyterian Peacemaking Program, PDS#70 270 99 009 (\$9.95). Practical helps for trip leaders to plan a successful mission trip, including guidelines and procedures to follow before, during and after the journey, sample forms and handouts.

***When God's People Travel Together, Volume 2: Reflecting and Acting on Mission Trip Experiences***, by Barbara Battin. PDS 70-270-99-022 (\$9.95) Resources for orientation, worship, reflection and follow-up of short-term mission trips. Includes biblical reflections and suggested questions to encourage the spiritual journey of participants and leaders as well as cross-cultural awareness.

***When God's People Travel Together, Volume 3: Bible Studies for Mission*** by Alice Winters.(PDS # 74-400-99-083 - \$5.00) Five sessions for adults and older youth on mission and partnership with examples taken from Rev. Winters' years of service in Colombia.

**All 3 volumes of *When God's People Travel Together* for \$20.00: PDS 24358-07014!**

***People, Places and Partnerships: A Workbook for Your Mission Trip Abroad***, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), PDS #74 400 96 049 (\$2.00 or \$1.50 each for 50 or more copies). A reflection guide for U.S. Christians on short-term mission trips. Appropriate for individual study and reflection and group discussion.

***Reaching Out to You: An Orientation Guide for Visitors to the United States***, Working Group on Mission to the U.S.A., PDS #74 400 98 066 (\$3.00 or \$2.50 for 50 or more copies). A resource for persons coming to the U.S. for church-related conferences, exchange visits or partnership meetings.

### **Sustainable Development**

***Faith in Action: Understanding Development Ministries from a Christian Perspective***, Stephen Knisely, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), PDS # 74 400 00 022 (\$15.00) and ***Interactive Sessions for Faith in Action***, Gabrielle Beasley, PDS # 74 400 00 023 (\$5.00). Three biblically-grounded “models” of development ministries and mission are explored within these materials. Extremely useful in identifying and grappling with the difficult, but crucial issues of mutuality in relationships, dependency pitfalls, money and mission.

**Africa Game:** (see Youth section but also a great resource for adults)

### **Evangelism**

***Turn To The Living God: A Call to Evangelism in Jesus Christ’s Way***, adopted by the 203<sup>rd</sup> General Assembly (1991), [www.pcusa.org/oga/publications](http://www.pcusa.org/oga/publications) or OGA 91 018 (\$3.00). A document to provide appropriate, positive direction to the Presbyterian Church (USA) as it engages in world evangelism. (Also available in Arabic, Korean, and Spanish.)

### **Cross-Cultural Awareness and Skills**

***Beyond White Noise: Mission in a Multicultural World***, Tom Montgomery-Fate, St. Louis, Chalice Press (800-366-3383 or [www.chalicepress.com](http://www.chalicepress.com)), (\$15.99). Intricately woven into personal essays based upon his missionary service in the Philippines, this author shares hard-won insights into how we can replace the old, neocolonial concept of mission with co-mission, a mutually liberating model for cross-cultural partnership.

***Gifts of Strangers: Meeting the Challenge of Inculturation***, Anthony J. Gittins, Paulist Press ([www.PaulistPress.com](http://www.PaulistPress.com)), (\$12.95). This book offers several ways for first-time visitors to make sense of another cultural experience, understand the dynamic of belief and behavior and the crucial place of language in evangelization and mutuality in human relationships.

***The Wolf Shall Dwell with the Lamb: A Spirituality for Leadership in a Multicultural Community***, Eric H.F. Law, St. Louis, Chalice Press (800-366-3383 or [www.chalicepress.com](http://www.chalicepress.com)). (\$16.99) Excellent discussion of dynamics within multicultural situations and practical techniques with applications to multicultural partnerships, mission teams and cross-cultural mission and ministry.

Many books and several simulations on cross-cultural themes as well as books on cultures in particular countries are available from Intercultural Press, Inc., PO Box 700, Yarmouth, ME 04096; phone (207) 846-5168 or fax (207) 846-5181; [www.interculturalpress.com](http://www.interculturalpress.com)

## Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations

***Being Ecumenical: A Compendium on Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations***, Margaret O. Thomas, Editor, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), PDS# 74 292 94 903 (\$2.00). How do we carry out our church's ecumenical calling, as part of the universal Church of Jesus Christ? How do we relate to other religions? This compendium provides resources for study and action from actions of the General Assembly.

## Economic Globalization

***The Biblical Jubilee and the Struggle for Life***, Ross Kinsler and Gloria Kinsler, Maryknoll, NY, Orbis Books ([www.maryknoll.org](http://www.maryknoll.org)), (\$17.00). Serving as co-workers in mission for the PC(USA) for twenty-five years as theological educators in Central America, the Kinslers explore the challenges of the Biblical Jubilee traditions for our present-day quest for economic and social justice.

***Voices from Korea, U.S.A., and Brazil: The Reformed Faith and the Global Economy***, ed. Jean S. Stoner, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), PDS # 74 290 01 001 (\$7.95). Examines the global economy in light of Reformed teaching. Presbyterian Church leaders from three countries engaged in a traveling dialogue, reflecting on the impact of global economy on the people in their communities.

## Peacemaking & Reconciliation

***Bridging Cultural Conflicts: A New Approach for a Changing World***, by Michelle LeBaron, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 2003 (available from your local bookstore). Dr. LeBaron introduces the concept of "cultural fluency" and its necessity for engaging situations of cultural conflict. An important new work with many applications to cross-cultural partnerships, mission trips, and the multicultural context of the contemporary United States.

***Do No Harm: How Aid Can Support Peace—or War***, by Mary B. Anderson, Boulder, CO: Lynne Rienner Publishers, Inc., 1999 (available from your local bookstore). Drawing on the experience of international humanitarian aid agencies, the author demonstrates how aid has supported peace or contributed to the conflicts. Case studies from different countries illustrate positive ways that "local capacities for peace" can be encouraged.

***Just Peacemaking Study Guide***, by Barbara L. Battin and Thomas R. Mockaitis, Presbyterian Peacemaking Program, PDS # is 70-270-02-024 (\$4.95) A six session study of the General Assembly's Resolution on Just Peacemaking and the call for International Intervention for Humanitarian Rescue. Each session includes Bible study, prayers, hymns, and questions for learning and dialogue.

## Presbyterian Mission Heritage

***Faces In Mission: Exploring International Mission Service Opportunities in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)***, Worldwide Ministries, PDS#74 280 03 002 (Video), \$7.95; PDS#74 280 03 05 (CD-Rom), \$5.95; PDS#74 280 03 006 (DVD), \$5.95. Narrated by Marian McClure, Director of Worldwide Ministries, PC(USA) mission workers share their experiences around the world. This 12-minute resource can be used as an introduction to the call to mission service.

**William Sheppard: Congo's African American Livingstone**, by William E. Phipps, Geneva Press, 2002 ([www.genevapress.com](http://www.genevapress.com)), (\$22.95). This important work tells the remarkable story of how an African American born in the South during the era of slavery emerged as one of the most distinguished Presbyterian missionaries and church leaders. Acclaimed by the *International Bulletin of Missionary Research* as one of the 15 Outstanding Books of 2002 for mission studies.

## Youth

**Africa Game:** a board game that introduces players to the real-life issues facing African students. A floor size model (16' X 20') is available for mission fairs, youth events, etc. Call 888-728-7228/Ext. 5338 or contact [vconstan@ctr.pcusa.org](mailto:vconstan@ctr.pcusa.org) to sign up. Through a grant from The Outreach Foundation, each Presbytery Resource Center was sent a table-top version of the game, complete with small photos of African children that are the game pieces. A full color poster (PDS# 74 280 04 002) is also available. (\$10/each)

**Together We Triumph: Youth Response to Disaster**, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, 1995, PDS# 74-340-95-019, free.

**Twenty-Five Ideas & Activities for Mission Involvement**, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, PDS#74 340 98 009, free. Suggestions for involving youth in mission.

**A Day In The Life**, Presbyterian Hunger Program, 2000, PDS# 74-360-00-316, \$5. Through exploration of a typical day, young people are exposed to the lives of others around the world. May be used as a four-part series of learning units or adapted to a weekend retreat. (See companion video "Get Connected.")

**Get Connected**, Presbyterian Hunger Program, 2000, PDS# 74-360-00-3317, \$10. A companion video to "A Day in the Life" resource. Filmed on-site at the Heifer Project Global Village, this 17-minute video charts the trials, tribulations, and learning experiences of 20 youth as they experience a day in the life of their global brothers and sisters. Study guide included.

**A Fast That Lasts**, Presbyterian Hunger Program, 1999, PDS# 74-360-99-326, \$20. The complete kit for a 24-or 30-hour fasting retreat with lasting impact. Includes "Hunger Has A Cure" CD, a 3-segment video, Bible study, games, activities, and a detailed planning guide.

**A Fast That Lasts Year 2**, Presbyterian Hunger Program, 2002, PDS# 74-360-02-324, \$20. Supplements the original kit and includes a video with three new stories.

**Hunger Has a Cure: And We're Part of It!**, Presbyterian Hunger Program, 1997, PDS# 74-360-97-315, \$12. An interactive CD-Rom for youth. Includes music, Bible study, program ideas, and more.

**Souper Bowl of Caring** – each year thousands of congregation participate in Souper Bowl Sunday by raising funds and collecting food items for hunger ministries. The Souper Bowl of Caring provides educational and promotional materials for participating youth groups. Contact: [www.souperbowl.org](http://www.souperbowl.org) or 302 Berkshire Road, Columbia, SC 29223.

**The Uprooted Game**, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, 1998, PDS# 74-340-98-007, \$3. A game to help understand some of the realities faced by refugees.

**Gifts of the Heart**, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance & Church World Service, PDS# 74 340 03 025. “Hands-on” mission activity for middle and high school youth. Urgent need for school kits.

**Youth in Peacemaking**, Presbyterian Peacemaking Program, #25992917, \$3.75. A 13 session study with activities designed just for youth. Contact the Peacemaking program at [www.pcusa.org](http://www.pcusa.org).

## Children

**A Kid Started It!**, Presbyterian Hunger Program, 1999, PDS# 74-360-99-342, \$5. Based on the John 6 telling of the Feeding of the Five Thousand, this resource encourages young people to consider how they can share in Jesus’ work of feeding the hungry. Ideas for creative activities and service projects as well as children’s message.

**Is There Enough? A Children’s Curriculum on Hunger**, Presbyterian Hunger Program, 1999, PDS# 74-360-99-324, \$10. Five stand-alone sessions with scripture, reflections and activities for pre-school through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Use in VBS, Children’s Church, after school and intergenerational settings.

**A Kid Started It! Children’s Educational Hunger Kit**, ecumenically produced, 2002, \$20. A boxed kit containing hunger curricula from the Hunger Program, Bread for the World, Church World Service, Heifer Project International and World Food Day. Designed for children in grades K-6.

**The Composting Shed**, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, PDS#74-360-00-003 (English) and PDS#74-360-00-010 (Spanish), free. Coloring book for children aged 8-14, tells the story of how the Kekchi people of Guatemala are rebuilding their communities and helping to restore agricultural sustainability through the building and use of composting latrines.

**We Believe – Summer:** Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), Congregational Ministries Division, 2003, [www.pcusa.org/marketplace](http://www.pcusa.org/marketplace). The summer curriculum for the denominational materials is centered around “mission”.

**We Believe – VBS: “God Calls Us: Around the World in 5 Days**, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), Congregational Ministries Division, 2004, [www.pcusa.org/marketplace](http://www.pcusa.org/marketplace). This Vacation Bible School curriculum will “visit” the Philippines, Guatemala, Malawi, Pakistan and Peru.

**Africa: Mission Stories About Kids for Kids** - Work in progress by Worldwide Ministries in response to the Africa Resolution. 5 stories about issues that African kids face . (Winter 2004)

**Presbyterian Peacemaking Program** – check [www.pcusa.org/marketplace](http://www.pcusa.org/marketplace) for a wide assortment of resources for children and youth.

**Living in Mission Everywhere**, Reformed Church in America, this mission curriculum is divided into areas of the world. A complete curriculum to be used in multiple ways. Contact the Reformed Church in America, [orders@rca.org](mailto:orders@rca.org) or call the Distribution Center (800-968-7221)

**For resources with PDS numbers, call Presbyterian Distribution Service at 800-524-2612.**