



PC (U.S.A.) MISSION QUICK FACTS

- In 2008, responded to disasters in 40 presbyteries and 13 synods through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance.
- Commissioned 30 new mission co-workers in 2009, for a total of 200 missionaries in 60 countries.
- Awarded more than 760 scholarships, grants and loans to students in 2008.
- Disbursed more than \$2 million for health and development programs in over 30 countries in 2008.
- Published the *Mission Yearbook for Prayer and Study* and the Presbyterian Planning Calendar.
- Worked with 33 presbyteries and 3 synods in 2008 to train leaders and equip small, urban or rural churches.

Sharing Our Mission Story...

The Presbyterian Church U.S.A.

General Assembly Mission Council ...

The mission agency of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

The General Assembly Mission Council (GAMC) is the mission and ministry agency of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). The GAMC serves Christ in the church and the world in six ministry areas:

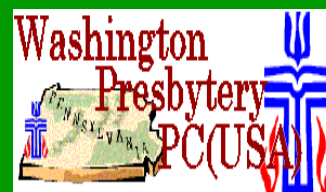
- **Compassion, Peace and Justice** helps Presbyterians respond to the needs of the world's most vulnerable people, address injustice, advocate for peace, and respond to disasters.
- **Evangelism and Church Growth** equips, empowers and inspires Presbyterians to share their faith in Christ and to become connected to a community of faith.
- **Racial Ethnic and Women's Ministries/Presbyterian Women** equips racial ethnic congregations, develops communities of faith that reflect our multicultural society, builds leaders of all races and genders, and works for racial and gender justice.

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- **Theology Worship and Education** develops educational materials, worship resources, leader development programs, and theological studies that support the church's faith and life.
- **Office of Vocation** (shared with Office of the General Assembly) assists presbyteries and congregations in the nurture of Christian vocation, and the preparation, credentialing, call and support of church professionals.
- **World Mission** sends mission personnel into the world, equips Presbyterians for mission, and continues the historic emphasis on doing mission in partnership.

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PRESBYTERY MISSION QUICK FACTS

- More than 300 members of Washington Presbytery have taken a first step into the mission field over the last five years, supported by small grants from the Presbytery.
- "Ignite," the Presbytery's innovative ministry to 18-30 year-olds, takes the Gospel to young adults on their own turf, and seeks to connect them with local congregations.
- Many of them are hearing the Gospel for the first time. On a recent Sunday, a half-dozen were baptized.
- Resurrection Power has opened two residences for recovering addicts, one for men and another for women.
- Washington Presbytery provides seed money for new congregational missions in amounts up to \$5,000.

Sharing Our Mission Story...

The Washington Presbytery

At his ascension, Jesus told his disciples that they would be his witnesses in Jerusalem (just down the road), Judea and Samaria (their own country) and to "the ends of the earth." In Washington Presbytery, more than 10,500 Presbyterians in 63 churches are working together in obedience to that call, serving God and bearing witness to His grace in their own communities, across the nation, and around the world.



A few examples: The Love In A Basket program, run by Laboratory Presbyterian Church in Washington, Pa., prepares baskets of baby supplies for single, expectant mothers. Just down the road, at

Resurrection Power, men and women struggling with addiction to drugs and alcohol find guidance in a Christ-centered residential treatment program. The Presbytery's Hunger Action program supports local food pantries and encourages congregations to use and promote sustainable, fair-trade food products. And at Pine Springs Camp, children, teens and adults are introduced to Jesus Christ and challenged to serve Him with all their hearts and souls and strength.

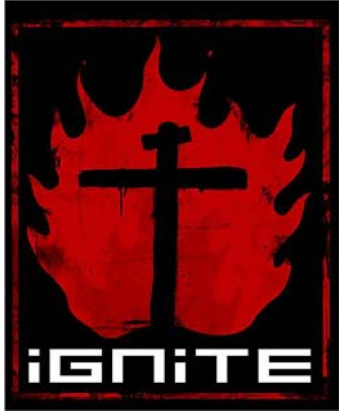
Further afield, hundreds of members of Washington Presbytery

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are at work every year in rural Appalachia, the storm-ravaged Gulf Coast and other hotspots, lending a hand to those in need and sharing the love of Christ. And in places like Ethiopia, India and Myanmar, missions supported by the Presbytery bring education, medical care and the Gospel of Jesus Christ to thousands. All of this work is supported by the donations of local congregations.

The Washington Presbytery continued...



Ignite – Young Adult Ministry

Churches aren't always welcoming places for people in their 20's, especially when they're single and don't have children. Several years ago, when Washington Presbytery surveyed its congregations about what they saw as pressing needs, the relative absence of young adults was the one thing mentioned by every single congregation. A group of people within the Presbytery, including a core group of young adults, set about praying and planning for a special ministry to fill that gap.

Using money from a capital campaign, the Presbytery hired an ordained minister with a passion for young adults to engage them on their own turf, in coffee houses, at concerts, and other places, and lead them in an intensive discipleship program. What began with a handful of small groups meeting at coffee shops in Washington and Waynesburg has grown into a ministry that reaches up to 200 young adults on a regular basis. The ministry is supported financially by the Presbytery and advised by a leadership team, but its activities are directed by the young adults themselves.

Over the last three years, Ignite – the name of the young adult ministry – has provided venues for intensive Bible study, outings that allow young adult Christians to connect with others their own age, and mission projects. Members have built houses with Habitat for Humanity, and done hurricane relief work in coastal Mississippi and Florida. Along the way, a significant number of young adults who had either drifted away from the faith or who had no Christian background at all were introduced to Jesus and either committed or recommitted themselves to His service. A few, having moved away, have started new small groups in other parts of the state and country.



SYNOD MISSION QUICK FACTS

- Over 100 churches transforming using Synod sponsored Missional Church training programs.
- 94 Presbyterian young people receiving graduate and undergraduate scholarships from the synod in 2009.
- Ten new churches receiving financial support from The Synod of the Trinity over the past three years.
- Over \$100,000 funding Peacemaking and Mission Travel grants over the past three years.
- Providing \$130,000 for Disaster Relief for Synod flood relief and Katrina Assistance 2006-2009.
- Telling the mission story to 1,281 churches with 245,587 members in sixteen Presbyteries.

Sharing Our Mission Story... The Synod of the Trinity

Through your church's shared (unified) giving or designated mission gift to the Synod of the Trinity:

- ◆ You strengthen congregations through Missional Church Training
- ◆ You help Presbyterian young people become scholars
- ◆ You support campus ministry at more than 25 colleges and universities in Pennsylvania and West Virginia
- ◆ You support Presbyterian related colleges and universities within the Synod's bounds
- ◆ You help establish new churches
- ◆ You support a Synod Summer Conference providing for Christian education and spiritual growth
- ◆ You support Leadership Development activities throughout the Synod

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For every dollar your congregation gives to Shared (Unified) Giving, five cents supports the mission work of the Synod.

- ◆ You make skilled consulting services available to all our presbyteries and congregations in:

Church Development
Personnel
Judicial Issues
Strategy
Mission Outreach
Network Formation
Ecumenical Relations

