

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What types of ministries is The Mission Society involved with around the world?

The Mission Society's ministries include agricultural training, evangelism, church planting, discipleship, teaching, leadership development, literacy, medical work, arts ministries, teaching-English-as-a-second Language, children's ministry, campus ministry, well-drilling, youth ministry, relief and aid, and many others.

Where does The Mission Society serve?

The Mission Society is involved in more than 38 nations worldwide.

Where is The Mission Society headquartered?

Norcross, Georgia, a suburb of Atlanta.

How is The Mission Society funded?

The Mission Society is funded through the generous gifts of thousands of churches, foundations, and individuals who partner with us to further God's mission around the world. We receive 76 percent of all gifts from individuals and foundations, while the remaining portion comes from churches around the United States.

Is The Mission Society affiliated with a particular denomination?

Founded by members of The United Methodist Church, The Mission Society receives no denominational funding. Its more than 200 missionaries come from many denominations, most of them of the Wesleyan tradition. The Mission Society is Wesleyan in heritage and beliefs.

Who can be a missionary with The Mission Society?

Anyone who has a growing relationship with Christ and a call to missionary service may apply to be a missionary with The Mission Society. Applicants must agree with the Articles of Faith as stated on our web site. Interns must be at least 19 years old; and one-year, two-year, and career applicants must be at least 21.

How does one apply to become a missionary?

We require a completed application and references before extending an invitation to the Candidate Orientation and Assessment (COA). A psychological assessment and general interview are conducted during COA. At the end of COA, individuals are notified whether or not they have been approved for service. Mission Society missionaries must raise their own financial support before departing for their location of service.



What are the benefits of being a missionary with The Mission Society?

The Mission Society emphasizes entrepreneurship in ministry, providing services that help our missionaries become effective in ministry. Drawing upon decades of ministry experience, we provide extensive training and preparation, counseling, prayer support and centralized services to simplify missionary life. Our accountants track ministry funds, provide health insurance, offer pension plans, and easily transfer funds internationally. Our membership in the ECFA (Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability) gives donors the assurance of financial integrity and accountability. The Mission Society does not seek to micro-manage missionaries, but provides the logistical and decision support to help them thrive as they follow God's call.

Can I support a specific missionary?

Yes. If you already know a missionary you would like to support, mail a check or make an online donation specifying his/her name. If you would like to choose a missionary to support, you can choose from a list of missionaries. Missionaries in certain countries are unlisted for security purposes, so you will need to call the itineration department of The Mission Society office to learn more regarding cross-cultural workers in restricted areas.

How can I arrange to have a missionary speak in my church?

Our itineration department handles scheduling missionary speakers. Call the office and ask for the itineration coordinator to learn about missionaries who are available to speak in your area.

How can I make a prayer request?

Email us at prayerrequests@themissionsociety.org or call 800.478.8963, ext. PRAY (or 7729) and leave a message concerning your prayer request.

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