

MISSION COMMITTEE ROLE & RESPONSIBILITY

LEADERSHIP

- ensure the church has a clear global missions vision and mandate for the team
- provide leadership for missions in the church
- assist church leaders in obeying the Great Commission
- invite and appoint new team members
- develop relationships with our denominational missions leaders
- serve as liaison with mission agencies
- develop a learning goal for the team (book study, webinar, conference)

MISSIONS EDUCATION AND AWARENESS

- raise awareness of the church's involvement through various communication avenues
- teach about the biblical foundations of missions and the changing global Christian landscape
- create and take learning opportunities about global Christianity and world religions
- develop global awareness through arts (music, visual arts, drama skits)
- plan an annual missions event and/or missions promotional events
- research missions issues, topics and places the church is connected to
- encourage living as global Christians, adopting lifestyles that considers global consequences
- identify missions resources for small groups and church education and encourage their use

PLAN

- strategize how people of ages in the church can connect to global outreach in some way
- make policies and procedures for operation of the missions ministry (ex. funding requests)
- identify and recommend priorities
- plan the church's missions ministry
- approve new missionary and missions ministry partnerships
- connect with ministries that best fit the interests, gifting and calling of our church

STEWARDSHIP

- assist the Deacons in developing missions stewardship
- develop the missions budget
- administer the missions budget
- ensure financial commitments are being fulfilled
- process requests for funding from individuals/missions organizations
- lead fundraising for missions ministry projects

MOBILIZE AND SEND

- plan and encourage congregational prayer support for missions and missionaries
- stimulate a response to needs and opportunities—prayer, care, financial, communication
- see that missionaries are cared for and supported
- encourage relationships between our members/small groups and our missionaries
- build deep relationships with the people we send and organizations we support
- organize venues/events for missionaries visits
- find service opportunities globally/locally for individuals and groups
- provide debriefing and emotional support to those returning from missions experiences
- equip and enable individuals for personal involvement and short term missions
- serve as liaison with individuals sent and supported

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