

Information and Guidelines For First Presbyterian Church-Supported Missionaries

As supported missionaries of First Presbyterian Church, we ask that you keep us apprised of your ministry and your lives by sharing regular communication and prayer requests. This can be either hard copy or via email, but email is preferred. Our policy requires that you communicate a minimum of two times a year in addition to submitting an annual report, which will be sent to you. When you are in Colorado Springs or the vicinity, the Mission Resources Team asks that you contact us to arrange a meeting time if practical. The mission staff of First Presbyterian Church serves as your official point of contact. They are ready to assist and support you as you serve the Lord.

The Mission Resources Team encourages you to live out the following covenant:

- Strive to be faithful in attending worship services
- Faithfully study and apply the scriptures to your lives
- Endeavor to render some form of Christian service
- Give regularly to the support of the Church
- Pray regularly for yourselves, for others and for the Church

The following paragraphs are from the FPC Missions Fundraising Guidelines. These are intended to help you understand expectations for interacting with FPC and Sunday school classes who are part of your support team.

“General guidelines - members

Access to Sunday School classes and other groups within First Pres for fundraising activities, even if an approved mission partner, is strongly discouraged. This would include such things as tickets for events and donations to projects, individuals, concerns or groups.

Requests to Sunday school classes are generally limited to those regularly attending and actively involved in that class, unless otherwise approved by the Missions Resources Team.

Class rosters, church data bases, and other church resources such as the print shop may not be used for support raising activities. First Pres will not sponsor, promote or host events or organized activities to generate funds for trips, organizations or individuals.”

“Guidelines for long term partners

Members of the church who are in the support raising phase of long term service, and who have been approved by the Missions Resources Team are encouraged to gain support through personal approach to family, friends and their own Sunday School class. Requests for support from Sunday School classes must be in writing, and directed to the leadership team of the class, or the mission representative.

Visiting (mission) partners are encouraged to make reports about their ministry, and to share with partner groups how God is using them to do His Kingdom work. Partner reports to

supporting classes and FPC groups are a platform for expressing thanks but are not intended to be used for requesting or raising additional support. Requests for additional support must be in writing, and directed to the leadership team of the class, or the mission representative.”