

EXPERIENCE MISSION



The Presbyterian Church in Canada



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"I always thought that "doing mission" meant doing work projects. I have learned that mission is not about doing work for others, but about working with others: forming relationships, and bettering ourselves."

Jay Brenzil,
PCC Guatemala
mission trip.

Explore biblical call to mission

Genesis 12:1-3

Luke 4:16-21

Matthew 28:18-19

Acts 1:8

Acts 9:1-30

We are called to care for the poor, speak out for the oppressed, love one another and share Christ's message of hope, not only in our own communities, but also with the whole world. Modern technology means there are more opportunities than ever before to engage with the world, but being effective and making a positive impact is still very challenging.

The Presbyterian Church in Canada's mission program connects congregations and individuals with long-term mission partners in Canada and around the world. Our mission staff have tremendous insight into political, economic, and spiritual context of the places where they minister. By supporting and building on ongoing work of committed long-term mission staff and partners, Canadian Presbyterians can have a lasting impact. By sharing experiences, communities in Canada can also be transformed. Working together, guided by God, Christ's mission comes alive.



Think Globally. Act Locally.

Any international mission experience should reflect our actions at home. Check with your congregation or local service organization to find out where your own community might need your skills.

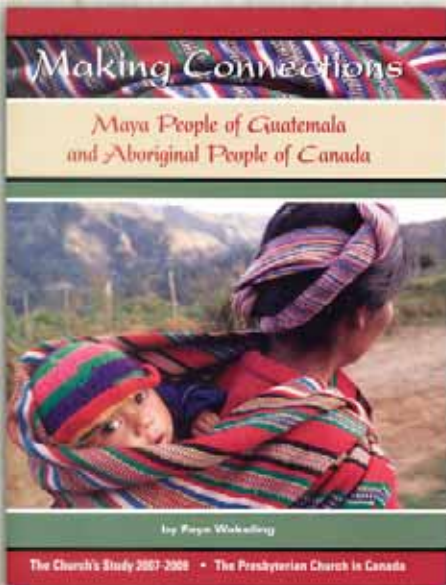
"There has been a tremendous increase in the number of individuals and groups wanting to experience life in Malawi. We are thankful that the Presbyterian Church in Canada works hard to prepare our Canadian visitors to walk alongside their Malawian hosts, work through existing structures, and build up the development work of the Church, which is so necessary."

– Glenn Inglis, PCC Mission Staff, Malawi

LEARN, PRAY, GIVE

Mission Speakers

Canadian and international mission staff and short term volunteers are available to share the challenges and opportunities of mission work around the world. They provide first hand insight into what your gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing* and *Presbyterian World Service & Development* are accomplishing, and challenge you to look at mission in a new way.

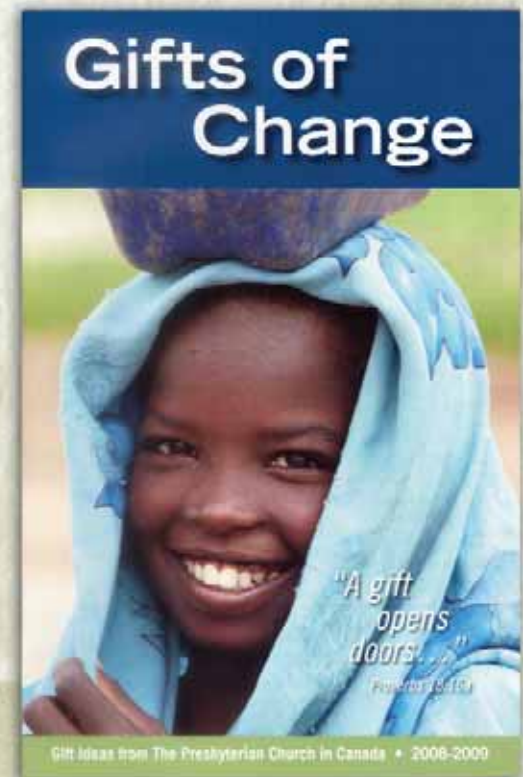


Mission Studies

The Presbyterian Church in Canada's *Making Connections* mission studies will help your congregation engage in mission without leaving home. Meet as a group to discover how you can effectively engage with world issues, justice and mission. To view studies and other mission resources visit: www.presbyterian.ca/resources

Special Mission Projects

Support mission projects that complement your congregation's givings to *Presbyterians Sharing* and *Presbyterian World Service & Development*. Order the *Gifts of Change* catalogue through the Bookroom at bookroom@presbyterian.ca or by telephone 1-800-619-7301 or 416-441-1111 or check out projects online at www.presbyterian.ca/donate



"He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free."

Luke 4:18

GO, SHARE, GROW

Mission Trips

Gain first hand experience and understanding. Share your skills with our partners. Commit to walking with partners in their long term mission work.

- Annual study tours blend practical experience with theological reflection. Individuals from across Canada are encouraged to apply.
- Mission Interpretation works with groups to design short term mission experiences with our partners. Focus countries include

Canada, USA, Malawi, Guatemala, Ukraine and India.

- Youth in Mission offers spring and summer mission opportunities in Canada and around the world. Individuals are encouraged to apply. The trips range from two to four weeks in length. YIM also works with youth groups wanting a mission experience.



Investigate current opportunities at
www.presbyterian.ca/experiencemission/trips



"We learn to walk together . . . somewhere along the journey, age, language, and culture become insignificant. God's Spirit gentles us into community and invites transformation into our hearts."

– Kathy Ball
Guatemala Mission Trip

Why go with The Presbyterian Church in Canada?

- Contribute in new ways to the mission of the church
- Journey with friends old and new – stay connected through the church
- Learn from long-term mission staff and partners

"(On our mission trip) there was a lot of building going on – it just wasn't of buildings, it was of people – us and them."
Cecilia Lu, YIM India

FIND OUT MORE

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Do justice, love kindness and
walk humbly with your God. Micah 6:8b