

Doing mission in partnership

Presbyterian World Mission is serving all across the world, but it's not the number of countries or mission coworkers that defines this ministry; it's the relationships.



Working with partner churches and organizations

Presbyterian World Mission has partnership relationships in more than **100** countries around the world, including **51** where the PC(USA) has one or more stationed mission coworkers.

CURRENT DEPLOYMENT

169

Mission coworkers

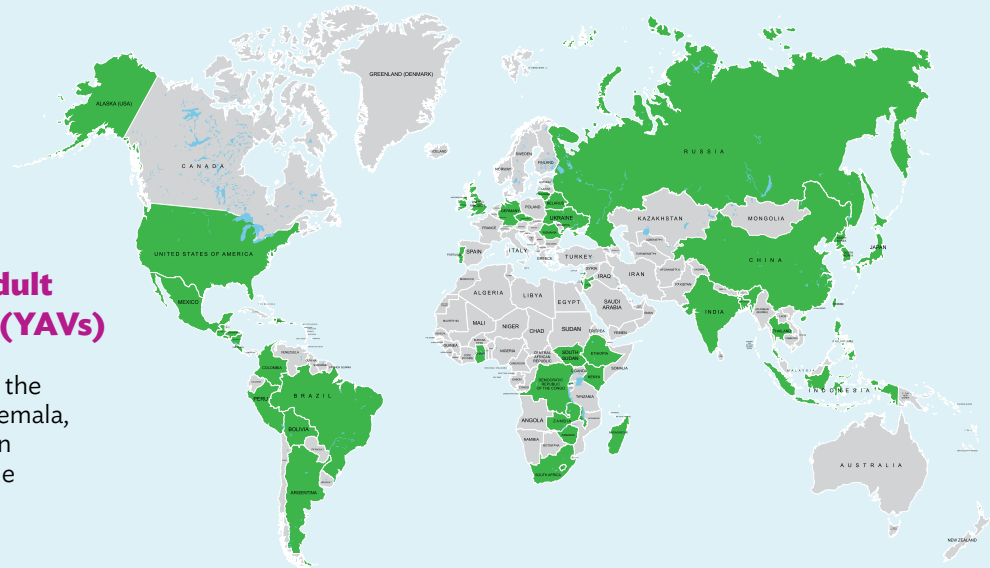
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Long-term volunteers

2

Short-term volunteers

COUNTRIES WHERE MISSION COWORKERS ARE SERVING



73 Young Adult Volunteers (YAVs)

are serving in 11 communities in the US and in Guatemala, Kenya, Northern Ireland, Peru, the Philippines, and South Korea.

If someone asked you, “How does your church do mission?” what would come to mind first? Perhaps you’d envision people doing mission and charity *for* others in need. That’s certainly the historical model. Over the past few decades, however, the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) has been shifting its mission focus away from working *on behalf of* others and toward partnering *with* others.

The PC(USA) General Assembly still sends missionaries overseas, but their places of service are

determined in cooperation with a denomination, congregation, or organization in the other country. There are a variety of other partnerships involving congregations, presbyteries, and synods that work with their counterparts in other parts of the world, exchanging short- and longer-term mission workers and volunteers. In our mission efforts, Presbyterians bring a desire to learn from those with whom we serve, not just so that we can have a greater impact but because we recognize that God has a word to speak to us

through them.

How does your congregation partner with others, whether overseas or closer to home? Consider using this column as a springboard for a conversation about doing mission in partnership.

For more information about how Presbyterians are engaging in mission partnerships, go to pcusa.org/worldmission.

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