

Servant of Christ's Church: Helping the Church "Do Missions"



A **mission board** is one of the most common answers to the question the Church has asked since our Lord Jesus Christ uttered the Great Commission in Matthew 28: How do we go to ‘all the world’ and do gospel work among our neighbors at the same time?

It is a good question. Local churches and denominations alike often find themselves consumed with the necessities of ministry “in their own backyard,” with little creative juices left to seek out new fields of endeavor either at home or abroad. Lack of both local resources and focused purpose also limit the effectiveness of missions activity by the local church.

Acting out of what Charles Hodge liked to term “Christian prudence,” the Church created mission boards to help local assemblies fulfill the demands of the Great Commission. Hand in hand with the local church, mission boards help focus vision; identify new fields of labor; organize common projects; identify, recruit, and train workers; collect and administer funds and inform constituents.

Who are we?

Presbyterian Missionary Union is a non-profit missions agency associated with the Bible Presbyterian Church. We desire to advance the cause of missions — both domestic and foreign — that are biblically based and practiced and to stand against any compromise of the saving gospel of Jesus Christ. PMU is directed by a Missions Council of Christian ministers and elders who voluntarily give their time to guide the ministry.

Founded in 1985, PMU strives to assist the Church in fulfilling its missions ministry in the Reformed tradition: zealously heralding King Jesus in all the world, depending upon God’s sovereignty, preaching the whole counsel of our covenant God, and guided by

¹⁸ And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. ¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.” Amen.” - Matthew 28:18-20

Did you know?

Taking the traditional burning bush symbol of Presbyterianism, PMU's logo depicts the Cross as central to our message, communicated through all of Scripture. The seven leaves represent the NT church, and the ten flames the Decalogue.

the Doctrines of Grace.

Since 1985, Presbyterian Missionary Union has assisted in the missionary endeavors of the Bible Presbyterian Church, General Synod. Working to strengthen existing churches and develop new ones here at home, PMU plays a significant role in the growing of churches from the Pacific Northwest to Eastern Seaboard. Abroad,

PMU worked for over thirty years in cooperation with the Independent Presbyterian Church of Kenya, and most recently has opened up the fields of Southeast Asia to BPC missions. We look forward to many more years of service with the BPC and all who love the faith "once delivered unto the saints."

What do we do?

Believing that without a strong foundation at home, world-wide ministry will not flourish, Home Missions is a major emphasis. PMU has been instrumental in helping plant gospel testimonies in North America.

PMU labored successfully for many years in Kenya and saw the national church grow to maturity. Now, we have turned our eyes to the Far East and other locations around the world.

Our newest division, Venture Guild International, is designed to open opportunities in countries normally closed to missions.

Our Team Timothy youth missions program is designed to address the short-term missions efforts of the BPC, particularly among our young people. Teams go out to both overseas and domestic assignments in evangelism, church planting and maintenance, and youth ministries.

PMU also provides pastoral helps of various kinds, including training seminars, sacred concerts, and special meetings. We also provide Bibles and literature, as well as helping with other projects a local church may desire.

Call or write for more information. Let us know how we can help you fulfill the Great Commission in your corner of the Lord's vineyard.

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