

Global Mission Fellows International Placement Sites

PROGRAM SUMMARY

Global Mission Fellows (GMFs) are young adults from all over the world who are commissioned to serve for 24 months. Fellows will serve up to 22 months with an international placement site. The expected start of service is September, concluding 22 months later in June.

GLOBAL MISSION FELLOWS CORE VALUES

ENGAGE * CONNECT * GROW

Global Mission Fellows **engage** with local communities. They are called to do ministry with-- not to or for-- their local partners. Fellows serve alongside churches, community groups, and individuals to address the priorities of people in the community they are serving. They discover ways in which God is already at work. Fellows live simply. As learners and co-laborers, they commit to having the same standard of living as their local partners.

Global Mission Fellows **connect** the church in mission. They tell stories in local churches about their experiences of God's gracious love. They advocate for personal social change, and testify about hope in the face of injustice. Connecting the local church with the global church is one big way young adults are making disciples for the transformation of the world.

Global Mission Fellows **grow** in personal and social holiness. John Wesley, our Methodist founder, used the terms "personal holiness" and "social holiness" to describe our inward growth in the love of God and neighbor, which in turn leads to outward works of love. Through service and contemplation, Fellows grow as disciples of Jesus Christ. Following Jesus' example, they show compassion through presence, word, and deed.

WHY BE A PLACEMENT SITE?

Unique benefits of hosting Global Mission Fellows:

- **Purposefully Selected and Trained:** Young Adults are selected for skills, interests and experiences, and Global Ministries offers training and support. They are resourced with tools to add value to your work and ministry.
- **Mission Endorsement:** Young adults connect the church in mission by bringing awareness to your work and elevating central issues that affect your community to a larger audience.
- **Cross Cultural Perspective:** Young adults coming from different countries and regions bring assets of energy, creativity and curiosity. The cross-cultural connection between young adults and theological community facilitates the sharing of fresh perspectives.
- **Discipleship:** As a placement site, you have the platform to shape a young adult's faith formation, and character development as a citizen in a global, interconnected world. These young adults will become servant leaders whose rich cross-cultural experience will provide them with a deeper understanding of and commitment to justice and the global church.

GLOBAL MINISTRIES' MODEL OF PARTNERSHIP



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TIMELINE

- Partner Request Forms accepted year round.
- Request Forms reviewed in consideration for the following year.
- Matches between Placement Site Partners and Global Mission Fellows are confirmed by both parties.
- Training event helps orient and guide Global Mission Fellows prior to going to placement sites.
- September - Global Mission Fellows begin international service.
- Mid-Term event is hosted between the first and second year of service.
- June - Global Mission Fellows complete international service.
- End-Term event is hosted to help Global Mission Fellows debrief and integrate back into home contexts.

WORK AND FOCUS AREAS FOR GLOBAL MISSION FELLOWS

<i>Type of Work :</i>	<i>Type of Focus Areas:</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disaster Relief • Direct Service • Education • Community Development • Collegiate Ministries • Community Organizing • Advocacy • Volunteers in Mission work • Congregational Development 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homelessness • Poverty • Gender Justice • Domestic Violence • Worker’s Rights • Migration • Immigration • Eco-Justice • Peace Building • Health/HIV and AIDS • Children and Youth • Racial Justice

RESPONSIBILITIES

Placement Site	Global Ministries
<p>Supervises and supports the growth of Global Mission Fellow(s) with a supervisor and spiritual mentor</p> <p>Covers programmatic costs related to the Fellow(s) assignment, including: orientation, workspace, equipment and work-related travel</p> <p>Encouraged but not required to cover other expenses (such as housing, furnishings, transportation, food)</p> <p>Assists the Global Mission Fellow(s) in being oriented and adjusted to the placement site community</p> <p>Makes provisions for sick days and <i>four weeks</i> of vacation</p>	<p>Covers Global Ministries training and orientation costs, travel and moving expenses to and from placement site, and medical insurance</p> <p>Provides a living stipend for the Global Mission Fellow(s), which includes: stipend, housing, utilities, phone, internet, food, local transportation to and from work, miscellaneous and personal expenses</p> <p>Provides three weeks of initial training, plus Mid-Term and End-Term trainings</p> <p>Offers quarterly webinars and accompaniment for Global Mission Fellow(s)</p> <p>Supervision support along with accompaniment from Global Ministries’ staff</p>