

PMRV Mission & Evangelism Report to Presbytery

October 2019

The Mission & Evangelism Committee prays over, resources, and supports the mission and evangelical based ministries of the Presbytery. Over the past months, our attention has focused on the following:

Mission Communication Strategy – We formed a focus team to help foster communications about missions in our Presbytery. This team has revived the @PMRVMission Facebook page and has been making posts. We have also explored submission to the PCUSA Mission Yearbook. Our goal is to submit one story per year about missions in the Presbytery. Thanks to Suzanne Gorhau and Joyce Faltis-Serenil for taking on this work.

Arabic Christian Fellowship – Pastor Emad and the Arabic Christian Fellowship hosted an inter-faith gathering over two days in July in Omaha (at Presbyterian Church of the Master) and in Lincoln. This gathering included Arabic singing and instrument play, and the Fellowship welcomed Rev. Dr. Magdy Girgis, from the Middle Eastern Intercultural Congregational Support group of the PC(USA). The Fellowship has moved weekly services to Community Bible Church at 90th and Q.

Sudanese American Presbyterian Fellowship – Pastor Michael Kuach had the opportunity to visit Africa this summer, and we give thanks for his travels. The SAPF continue to worship at Discovery Presbyterian Church on Sunday afternoons. We give thanks for the support team created by Discovery Church, and pray for continued support and well-being for Michael's Pastoral ministry and for the Fellowship. Thanks to Debbie Kippley and Suzanne Gorhau for representing the M&E Committee.

Mini Mission Grants and Komarek Trust Fund Grants – The Fall is when we spend our time reading and reviewing Mini Mission Grants and Komarek Trust Fund Grants. Mini Mission Grants are for up to \$2,000 and are designated to support congregational mission projects and programs. Komarek Trust Fund Grants are designated for physical repair and safety improvements to congregations within our Presbytery. Mini Mission Grants were reviewed in September, and Komarek Trust Fund Grants will be reviewed in October.

Mission and Evangelism Committee Members are

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