

United Church of Canada Global Partners 2026

Africa and Middle Eastern Mission and Service Global Partners 2026

25 partners in 8 countries

In Africa and the Middle East, the United Church works with Mission and Service partners on urgent issues affecting people's daily lives. Priorities are sustainable livelihoods, community access to food and markets, and the right of communities to determine what food to grow locally and how, as well as access to land and safe water in the context of land grabbing, issues of resource extraction, such as mining, and working for justice and peace.

Categories of Partners:

- Denominational and Ecclesial
- Development Organizations and Social Movements
- Ecumenical Partnerships (Councils of Churches, Regional Ecumenical Organizations)

Region Wide

Africa Region Ecumenical Bodies

- All Africa Conference of Churches (ecumenical organization)
- Organization of African Instituted Churches (Indigenous churches working for economic justice and human rights)
- Programme for Christian-Muslim Relations in Africa (PROCMURA) (interfaith peacebuilding work, capacity building)
- World Student Christian Federation, Africa Region (ecumenical student movement)
- Ecumenical Accompaniment Programme in Palestine Israel - South Africa (accompaniment, human rights, advocacy, education)

Democratic Republic of the Congo

- Église du Christ au Congo (women, children and families, human rights including addressing displacement, conflict, gender and sexual violence)

Kenya

- Cosmopolitan Affirming Church (LGBTQ+ affirming community of faith)
- Kenya Alliance for Advancement of Children's Rights (protecting, promoting, and advocating for children's rights)
- National Council of Churches of Kenya (ecumenical organization)

Tanzania

- Christian Council of Tanzania (ecumenical organization)
- Morogoro Women's Training Centre (justice, women's empowerment, and skills development)

Zambia

- Council of Churches in Zambia (ecumenical organization)
- People's Action Forum (rural, political and economic empowerment)
- United Church of Zambia (denominational church)
- United Church of Zambia University (theological training)
- Women for Change (women's education and empowerment)

Zimbabwe

- Zimbabwe Council of Churches (ecumenical organization, disaster relief, community empowerment, livelihood, women's empowerment, and youth capacity building)
- United Theological College (prophetic theological education and reflection)

Middle East Mission and Service Partners 2026

9 Partners in 5 countries

In the Middle East, the United Church works with Mission and Service partners focused on self-determination, human rights, peacebuilding, humanitarian relief, women's rights, child rights, liberation theology and ecumenical solidarity. Settler colonialism, wars, apartheid and genocide affect people's daily lives. Priorities are advocating for the application of international law without exception, just peace, access to international mechanisms of justice such as the International Criminal Court and the International Court of Justice, right of communities to determine their own future without international political interference, as well as the right to remain in their homeland; the right to access of places of worship, schools, and hospitals; the right to access their land and safe water in the context of forced displacement, ethnic cleansing and home demolitions, land grabbing, issues of resource extraction (water, natural gas and oil), and working for justice and peace.

Middle East Region ecumenical bodies

- Middle East Council of Churches (ecumenical organization)
- Department of Service to Palestinian Refugees (human rights, refugee advocacy and support, community development and capacity building)

Palestine and Israel

- B'Tselem (documenting, protecting, promoting and advocating for human rights)
- Palestinian Center for Child Rights (documenting, protecting, promoting, and advocating for children's rights)
- Jerusalem Centre for Women (empowerment of Palestinian women and human rights)
- Kairos Palestine (people's movement, theological education, human rights, peacebuilding)

- Wi'am—Palestinian Conflict Resolution Centre (conflict resolution, community empowerment, women's rights)
- Sabeel Ecumenical Liberation Theology Centre (liberation theology education, peacebuilding, clergy support and capacity building)
- World Council of Churches' Ecumenical Accompaniment Program In Palestine and Israel (ecumenical initiative offering protective presence and advocacy)

Asia Mission and Service Global Partners 2026

19 partners in 8 countries

In Asia, the United Church works with Mission and Service partners who are identifying and addressing human rights abuses wherever they occur, as part of building a world of justice for all. Critical issues for the region include peace building and upholding the rights of communities to healthy environments in the context of resource extraction projects, such as mining. The work of Mission and Service partners includes sustainable community development and addressing food security. The United Church also supports Mission and Service partners responding to humanitarian crises.

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Region Wide

- Asian Muslim Action Network (interfaith work)
- Asian Rural Institute (sustainable agriculture and livelihood)
- Asia Women's Resource Centre (education and theology)
- Christian Conference of Asia (ecumenical formation, leadership development, development and service)
- World Student Christian Federation, Asia Pacific Region (youth development, education, human rights)

China

- Amity Foundation (social welfare, community development)
- China Christian Council (ecumenical organization)

India

- Astha Sansthan (community development)
- Church of North India (denominational church, anti-human-trafficking)
- Human Rights Advocacy and Research Foundation (advocacy, human rights, education)

Philippines

- Cordillera People's Alliance (Indigenous rights)
- Ecumenical Bishops' Forum (human rights, peace development)
- CONTAK Philippines/Ecumenical Voices for Human Rights (advocacy, education, human rights)
- National Council of Churches in the Philippines (NCCP) (ecumenical organization/comprehensive rights-based program and women's empowerment)
- Regional Ecumenical Council in the Cordillera (RECCORD) (advocacy, education, human rights of the Indigenous people)
- United Church of Christ in the Philippines (UCCP) (denominational church, human rights and community work)

Korea

- National Council of Churches in Korea (NCCCK), Reconciliation and Reunification Program (ecumenical organization)
- Presbyterian Church in the Republic of Korea (humanitarian work and migrant workers' program)
- Q&A (Queer Question for Korean Churches) (support for queer Christians in South Korea, resource for transformative faith movement that is inclusive, advocates against discriminatory denominational policies against sexual and gender minorities, development of educational resources for affirming ministries)
- Ecumenical Forum for Peace and Development (peace building)

Latin American and Caribbean Mission and Service Partners 2026

19 partners in 8 countries

In the Caribbean and Latin America, the United Church works with Mission and Service partners to secure community access to food and sustainable practices, to provide education for young children and adults, and to build and sustain safe water supplies. Partners also work to promote respect for human rights, including women's and Indigenous peoples' rights, as well as the right to a healthy environment in the context of resource extraction projects, such as mining. The United Church also supports Mission and Service partner work responding to humanitarian crises and, with others, advocates for strong development and aid policies that support people and communities in crisis.

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Region Wide

- Regional Ecumenical Advisory and Service Centre (CREAS) (institutional capacity building)
- World Student Christian Federation (ecumenical organization, youth and student movement building)

Colombia

- Colombian Methodist Church (denominational church, peace, anti-poverty, establishing policies for the protection and promotion of the rights of the LGBTQIA+ community)
- Ecumenical Round-table for Peace (MEP)
- Latin American Centre for Popular Communication (CEPALC)

Costa Rica

- Latin American Biblical University (theological education and training)
- Ecumenical Research Department (social and theological research/training)

Cuba

- Martin Luther King Jr. Centre (popular education/theological reflection, citizen participation, and community development)
- Christian Centre for Reflection & Dialogue (community development)
- Cuban Council of Churches (ecumenical organization, development, emergency response ministry to people with disabilities)
- Evangelical Seminary of Theology, Matanzas (theological education and training)
- Presbyterian Reform Church (denominational church)

El Salvador

- Emmanuel Baptist Church (church, community development, peace building, leadership training)
- Santa Marta Association for Economic and Social Development (ADES) (community development, human rights, ecology)

Guatemala

- Women's Network of Maya Presbyterians (empowering rural Indigenous women, income-generation programs)
- Conference of Evangelical Churches in Guatemala (gender, Indigenous justice, rural development)
- Ecumenical Christian Council of Guatemala (peace, reconciliation, and ecumenism)

Nicaragua

- Development Institute of the Moravian Church (rural development, disaster relief, HIV/AIDS)
- Moravian Church in Nicaragua (church, women and youth, community building, interculturalism)

Global Ecumenical Mission and Service Partners 2026

7 partner organizations

ACTAlliance

Global coalition of Protestant and Orthodox Churches and church related organizations engaged in humanitarian, development, and advocacy work; 130 organizational members working together in 120 countries.

Ecumenical Church Loan Fund (ECLOF)

ECLOF provides microfinancing to vulnerable communities in 81 branches in Africa, Asia, and Latin America, takes a comprehensive approach to rural development, training and social programming, village development to maintain a safety net for individuals.

World Association for Christian Communication (WACC)

WACC works with members in 120 countries at local, national, and regional levels, to address communication needs, strengthen capacities, advocate for communication rights, and tackle ongoing challenges such as the need for gender-sensitive reporting, peace-building, and participatory communication for development.

World Communion of Reformed Churches (WCRC)

Global Reformed confessional body supporting theology, justice, church unity and mission, brings together 100 million Christians in 233 member churches (Congregational, Presbyterian, Reformed, United, Uniting and Waldensian denominations) in over 105 countries.

World Council of Churches (WCC)

A fellowship of 349 churches from more than 110 countries, representing over 500 million Christians worldwide, from Orthodox, Anglican, Baptist, Lutheran, Methodist and Reformed churches, United and Independent churches, an ecumenical space one in which member churches reflect, speak, act, worship and work together.

World Methodist Council

80 Methodist, Wesleyan, and related Uniting and United Churches representing 80 million members in 138 countries; engages, empowers and serves member churches by encouraging Methodist unity in witness, facilitating mission in the world, and fostering ecumenical and inter-religious activities.

World Student Christian Federation (WSCF)

A global federation of student Christian groups with 2 million members in 90+ countries, whose aim is to empower and connect responsible young leaders, encourage a culture of democracy to mobilize youth to be proactive in society, and promote positive change through dialogue and action between different traditions and culture.