

## Overview of The Advance

The Advance is the accountable, designated mission giving arm of The United Methodist Church that ensures 100 percent of each gift is used for its intended mission or ministry. For over 65 years, The Advance has been the official program of The United Methodist Church for voluntary, designated, second-mile giving. The Advance program is based on relationships and accountability. For more than 65 years, The Advance has worked with church leaders around the world to ensure that approved projects are aligned with the goals of The United Methodist Church in local areas and helps develop partnerships that are mutually advantageous. The Advance connects donors with more than 400 ministries and more than 300 mission personnel around the world, including the United States. The Advance communicates with donors, sharing stories about projects and missionaries as well as reporting on how gifts are making an impact.

## How to Support

**The Advance** insures that 100% of every gift reaches its intended mission or ministry through accountable channels you can track online.

1. **Search** to find the missionary or project you are interested in.
2. Read about the project to learn more.
3. Choose a way to give from the list below:

### Give Online:

You can give to any of the ministries, missionaries and projects currently supported by The United Methodist Church through Global Ministries. Give online now.

### By Phone:

Credit card gifts can be accepted by phone. The telephone number is:  
**888-252-6174 toll-free**

### By Mail:

Make your check payable to ADVANCE GCFA. Write the name of the ministry and the Advance code number on the memo line of the check.

Send your check to:

Advance GCFA  
P.O. Box 9068  
New York, NY 10087-9068.

### Through Planned Giving:

You can make a planned or estate gift in support of an Advance project. Please contact Andy Corkill, Major Gift and Planned Giving Officer, for details: 404-460-7526.

### By Church Offering:

Make your check payable to your local church. Write the name of the ministry and the Advance code number on the check. Drop your gift in any United Methodist church offering plate or give your gift to your church treasurer, so that your church and annual conference will get Advance credit.

### Gifts of Stock:

Global Ministries accepts gifts of stock or appreciated securities. Please contact Andy Corkill, Major Gift and Planned Giving Officer, for details: 404-460-7526.

### Match Giving and Workplace Giving:

Check with your employer (or former employer if you are retired) to see if you can multiply your support for Global Ministries through a gift match or combined charitable campaign programs. Provide your company with Global Ministries Tax ID 13 – 5565089.

### IRA Giving:

Congress renewed and made permanent a popular charitable IRA provision in the Protecting Americans from Tax Hikes (PATH) Act of 2015. This provision allows people aged 70½ or older to make direct charitable gifts from traditional and Roth IRAs to charities in a total amount up to \$100,000. These gifts are free from federal income taxation. In addition, the income tax laws of most states also allow tax-free treatment for these gifts.

Making gifts from IRA funds that would otherwise lead to increased taxes can be a wise choice for many. This is especially true for those who must take required minimum distributions each year.

For more information, check with us, your IRA administrator, or your tax advisor.

### Other Gifts:

If you have a gift of property, life insurance policies, mineral rights, airline miles or other assets that you would like to donate to support the work of Global Ministries, Please contact Tom Farley, Director of Development Mission Engagement, for details: 404-832-7782.

*All Advance projects are also eligible for Supplementary Gifts through United Methodist Women's giving channels.*