

# GLOBAL IMPACT

## Frequently Asked Questions

### **What is Global Impact?**

Global Impact is the Christ-centered mission ministry serving *Beyond the Walls* of Matthews United Methodist Church (MUMC). Global Impact's primary function is to provide pathways for the congregation to *Give, Serve, Send, Pray and Partner*.

### **Is Global Impact's budget determined by the church?**

No, Global Impact uses the Faith Promise funding model. At Matthews UMC, the Faith Promise is an "Above & Beyond" method of giving. This model asks members to make a financial commitment to the missional efforts of the church. The idea is the church's heart for mission will shine through the resources they provide above and beyond their contributions to the church's general budget.

### **What percentage of monies donated actually goes to the missionaries and partners of Global Impact?**

All administrative costs are covered by the church allowing for 100% of every dollar given to Global Impact to be disbursed to our missionaries and ministry partners locally, nationally and internationally.

### **How do I contribute to Global Impact if it is not a part of the church budget?**

There are multiple ways to contribute to the Global Impact budget. 1) You can write a check to Matthews United Methodist with *Global Impact* in the memo line and leave it at any Sunday service or mail it directly to the church. 2) Visit the Give tab at [MatthewsUMC.org](https://MatthewsUMC.org); click the fund drop down and select *Global Impact*. 3) Visit [give.matthewsumc.org](https://give.matthewsumc.org) to contribute through Realm, our community connection tool. Simply select *Global Impact* as the fund.

### **How did/does a missionary or a ministry become a partner of Global Impact?**

Over the years the people of MUMC have cultivated specific missional passions and proficiencies that have guided our missional partnerships. These have led Global Impact to partner with missionaries, ministries and organizations that are Christ Centered and involved in efforts that: alleviate poverty, empower and equip, improve education and support families, combat addiction and serve the disability community. New ministry partnerships will be considered by the Global Impact leadership team.

### **How do I get involved with Global Impact?**

There are so many ways to get connected. See how Matthews UMC serves *Beyond the Walls* at [globalimpactmumc.org](https://globalimpactmumc.org) where you can view a list and description of our [Global Impact Partners](#). Visit [Serve Now](#) if you are interested in current serving opportunities. You can also visit [OnRealm.org](https://OnRealm.org), our church community connection tool, and click on "Serving." Once you click "Serving," click on the "Opportunity" tab. You can now "Browse by Role" or "Browse by Team" to view ways to serve.

Whether it's going on a mission trip to Africa or tutoring a kindergartener at Greenway Park Elementary School. You can sort food at Matthews Help Center or lead BINGO at Blessed Assurance Adult Day Care Center. Building a Habitat house here in Matthews, serving a meal to our homeless neighbors at Room in the Inn or writing notes of encouragement to incarcerated women at Changed Choices are all examples of ways to serve. No matter your skill, age or interests, we can help you find ways to serve through Global Impact.

### **Why do we send so many resources so far when our own community is in such need?**

At Matthews UMC our missional hearts lead us wherever we feel we are called to serve. Global Impact's strategic approach to missional engagement is based on Acts 1:8 where Jesus sends the disciples to be his witnesses locally, regionally/nationally and to the ends of the earth. We see throughout the Bible that we are called to go and serve. Many of our Global Impact partners are right here in the Matthews community. We read in Matthew 28:19-20 that Jesus says "*Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit teaching them to observe everything I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.*"