



WORLD BUDGET (MISSION OFFERING) APPEAL

July 8, 2023

You probably know that our weekly mission offerings and part of our promise offerings are critical to the continued growth and sustaining work of the church in every corner of the world. You probably know about some projects in each division are initiated or sustained by part of your Thirteenth Sabbath Offering.

But what about the regular mission offerings you give each week? Where do these funds go? What do they support? And what do they achieve? You may be surprised to learn that your weekly mission offerings help support the work overseen by 400 missionary families around the world. In fact, 70 percent of the weekly mission offerings each quarter help support missionaries and the international work of the church. Appropriations from the General Conference to world divisions, unions and fields help these regions build and sustain mission activities in their territories. While our tithes help pay the salaries of missionaries, our Sabbath School offerings help provide the buildings and equipment the missionaries may need to carry on their work.

The remaining money helps various institutions and agencies that serve the world church. For example, it helps the compassionate medical mission work of Loma Linda University, the outreach of Adventist World Radio, and the humanitarian ministry of the Adventist Development and Relief Agency.

In recent years, millions of people from challenging areas of the world have found salvation in Jesus and have joined the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Thanks to your offerings, thousands of new congregations have been established in underreached areas and among new people groups. But after these new believers have been baptized, how are they nurtured? How do we make sure that their new faith is strengthened, and they grow as disciples? Sixty-six percent of the world's population are still waiting to experience the refreshing news about Jesus. Your ongoing support of Mission Offerings will help grow and sustain new work throughout the world. Please keep this life-giving river flowing.

PRAYER:

Dear Lord, we are glad that You have called us to do our part to support hundreds of missionaries around the world to take Your message of hope and salvation to those who do not yet having a saving relationship with You. Inspire us, we pray, to continue to be faithful as we return our weekly mission offerings. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.