

MISSIONS' OFFERING APPEAL

Giving with Open Hearts & Open Hands!

As Christians and Missionaries, we encounter moments that call upon us to open our hearts and extend our hands to those in need. Today, on this Global Missions Sunday and Zion's One Great Hour of Giving, We appeal to you to join the Department (Ministry) of Global Missions and The Women's Home and Overseas Missionary Society in giving with open hearts and open hands, embracing the spirit of generosity and compassion that binds us together as a community. We carefully and prayerfully ask that you open your hearts first and your hands will open accordingly.

Individuals, families, and churches face hardships beyond their control – financial struggles, health crises, political impositions, or the aftermath of natural disasters. During these times of adversity, our willingness to give becomes a beacon of hope for those in despair. Your act of kindness, whether big or small, can make a world of difference to someone in need. Let us come together, united in purpose, to support one another with empathy and understanding. Let us reach out to those suffering and offer our assistance with sincerity and love. Giving with open hearts and hands creates a ripple effect of positivity and kindness reverberating throughout our world. I invite you to consider the impact your generosity can have on the lives of others. Whether of resources, time, or support, your donation can uplift spirits, provide comfort, and inspire hope. Together, we can make a meaningful difference in the lives of those struggling, reminding them that they are loved with the love of Christ.

May we approach giving with open hearts and hands, ready to embrace the opportunity to impact the world around us positively. Let us stand together as a beacon of light and warmth for those in need, showing them that they are valued, cared for, and supported by a Church that shares their joys and sorrows. Thank you for considering this call to give with open hearts and hands. Your generosity will undoubtedly leave a lasting imprint of kindness and compassion on those who need it most.

With heartfelt gratitude, Executive Director for Global Missions - **D. B. Cannon**
International President of Women's Home & Overseas Missionary Society - **Sandra Crowder**

NOTE:

Please mail all donations to:

**The Department of Global Missions
P.O. Box 26770 Charlotte, NC 28269**

***Remember to add your Episcopal Area and Conference in the memo for proper credit!**



GLOBAL MISSIONS SUNDAY 2024



Theme: *Giving with Open Hearts & Open Hands!*



"10 Give generously to them and do so without a grudging heart; then because of this, the LORD your God will bless you in all your work and everything you put your hand to. **11** There will always be poor people in the land. Therefore, I command you to be openhanded toward your fellow Israelites who are poor and needy in your land." **Deuteronomy 15:10-11 (NIV)**

(The suggested observance for **Global Missions Sunday** is September 22, 2024, or any date the local church designates.)

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Theme: *Giving with Open Hearts & Open Hands!*

THE ORGAN PRELUDE

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee!” AMEZH #11

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Worship Leader

We come on this Global Missions Sunday to give thanks for a mind to give and the ability to activate what our hearts and minds are calling us to do! We come now to worship our God with open hearts and open hands to serve God by serving others in need!

THE INVOCATION Adapted from the *Prayer of Saint Francis by DBC* **A Missionary**

Dear God, make our hearts and hands to be used in Your service; where there is hunger, let us use our hands to feed; where there is hurt, let us bring healing to wounded hearts, where there is suffering, let us bring comfort to those suffering, where there is disaster, let us lend a hand in assistance, where there is homelessness, let us provide shelter, and where there is sin-sickness, help us to lead others to salvation. O Divine Master, grant that we may open our hearts and hands to those who need missions’ blessings. We pray this prayer with open hearts to God and open hands to God’s people! *Amen.*

THE HYMN OF PRAISE “I Love to Tell the Story” AMEZH #389

THE RESPONSIVE READING

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Leader: “Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God” (Matthew 5:8)

People: “Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit” (Psalm 51:10)

Leader: “Hear the voice of my supplications when I cry to You for help and lift my hands toward Your holy sanctuary.” (Psalm 28:2)

People: “So I will bless You as long as I live and lift my hands in Your name.” (Psalm 63:4)

Leader: “Above all else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it.” (Proverbs 4:23)

People: “Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding,” (Proverbs 3:5)

Leader: “Lift up your hands to the sanctuary and bless the Lord.” (Psalm 134:2)

TOGETHER: “Arise, cry aloud in the night; At the beginning of the night watches; Pour out your heart like water before the presence of the Lord; Lift up your hands to Him for the life of your little ones, who are faint because of hunger at the head of every street.” (Lamentations 2:19)

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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THE MUSIC MINISTRY

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

Deuteronomy 15:7-11

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THE PASTORAL PRAYER/RESPONSE

THE MISSIONS APPEAL (See back of this bulletin)

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THE MISSIONS’ OFFERING

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS/GREETINGS

THE PRESENTATION OF THE PREACHER/SPEAKER

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THE HYMN/SONG OF PREPARATION

THE MISSIONS’ MESSAGE

TEXT: _____

SUBJECT: _____

THE INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

GOD’S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS/ OFFERTORY

THE RECESSIONAL

THE MISSIONARY BENEDICTION: “God be merciful unto us and bless us and cause His face to shine upon us and give us peace.” *Amen.* (Adapted from Psalm 67:1)



GLOBAL MISSIONS AREAS

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| 3. The Bahamas 🇧🇸 | 13. Jamaica 🇯🇲 | 23. South Korea 🇰🇷 |
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