



PARTNERS IN MINISTRY

Fulfilling Christ's Mission in the World

Many people love to work on jigsaw puzzles and the more repetitious shading and similar images within the actual picture the more they enjoy the challenge. Those puzzles can create a beautiful wall hanging or top on a table when they are held together by glue and mounted on backing. Partnership is a lot like one of those puzzles. Everyone brings a different piece to the table and those pieces by themselves have little to do with what that picture can look like when other pieces are connected to create something that will impact lives here in our region, other states and foreign countries.

One person's life is forever changed when they participate in a mission trip and they return home with a passion to share what they experienced. ABCOPAD is there to partner with them, to provide assistance with future trip planning, to share information on Facebook and the ABCOPAD website, to provide the means for financial support to be processed through the ABC mission system, as well as a list of seasoned trip leaders who are willing to share their experiences.

A congregation realizes they could significantly influence what may be happening with the children in their community after school, when they have no place to go and no one is at their home until much later in the day. The church applies for one of the grants administered by ABCOPAD and they have the seed money to begin this new ministry which changes the energy within their church and touches young lives with the love of Christ.

The church treasurer has faithfully taken care of the church's financial needs for many years but he or she needs to retire from that position and move closer to their grown children. The new treasurer needs information on how to send in the mission giving from their congregation, how do they fill out a W2 and what is a 501 (c) 3 letter and do they really need to have a copy? ABCOPAD is here to help with all of those questions when you contact the Treasurer's office.

Disaster strikes in the form of hurricanes and several states and Puerto Rico are severely impacted by the damage and destruction. People watching the news hear reports of people without food, water and electricity in these areas; but, will their small gift really make a difference? Others feel called to go to these places; but, what is really needed and where can their help best be utilized? ABCOPAD working with an experienced relief worker/pastor from our region and partnering with ABHMS begins to line up trips and identify what areas are in the most need.

**All of these ministries are possible
because of the giving to Partners in Ministry.**



You can give to **Partners in Ministry...**

1. Through your local congregation's weekly offering by designating your gift to ABCOPAD - Partners in Ministry.
2. Through ABCOPAD's Online Giving option, available on the regional website (www.abcopad.org). Your church can receive mission-giving credit for your online gift.
3. By giving through your mobile device (www.abcopad.mobile).
4. By sending your check (made payable to ABCOPAD WMS) to: ABCOPAD; P.O. Box 421; Hatboro, PA 19040.



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as we minister together in Pennsylvania and Delaware



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