

## Ideas and Resources for observing Global Mission Sunday in your congregation

Global Mission Sunday is being observed this year on Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> – however, your congregation can choose to lift up our companion churches and global mission projects at any time during the year. Here are just some ideas and resources to get you started on planning and preparing for celebrating the global church relationships and the Good News of Jesus Christ around the world!

- Check out the Florida Bahamas Synod website to see where our companion church relationships are.
- Pick one or several to lift up and talk about in Sunday School classes both for children and adults.
- Find out who may have visited one of our companion churches and ask them to share their experience.
- Research different foods from our companion churches and have volunteers make ethnic dishes to be shared during coffee hour on Global Mission Sunday.
- Involve your Youth Group in having a Fund Raiser for one of our YAGMs (Young Adult in Global Mission) (See website for more information)
- Check out the "Global Mission Race" projects and have a special collection to support these important projects in Cuba, Haiti, and Surinam.
- Invite a Global Mission Committee member to come and do a presentation or Temple Talk on Global Mission and our companion church relationships. (Contact GMC Chair PJ May at <u>pjnrusty@yahoo.com</u>)
- Meet with the Worship and Music Committee or organist to select hymns that come from different countries, are sung in another language, or would add a global "flavor" to your worship service.
- Include our companion churches and the Global Mission Committee members in the Prayer of the Church.
- Print off copies of the **bulletin insert** (see below for attachment) for Global Mission Sunday and have them in the bulletin or available for distribution.
- Use the Global Mission Fact Sheet (see below for attachment) in your congregation newsletter to announce when you will be observing Global Mission Sunday and prepare members for what will be happening and how they can support Global Mission in the FB Synod.

## Thank you for your participation and support of Global Mission!