

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for...

- the Peace Shelter in Dumaguete City, Philippines, and continued support of the children through the Child Sponsorship Program.
- the Micronesian people as they negotiate for just compensation as part of the Compact Free Association agreement with the U.S.
- the newly inaugurated leaders in the region, that the changes in leadership may produce unified nations, justice and peace.
- justice for the "Comfort Women" and all women who yearn for justice and their physical safety.
- people trying to go on with their lives in the midst of civil unrest and natural disasters.
- people throughout East Asia and the Pacific who struggle to provide for themselves and their families and meet their basic needs for food, clothing and shelter.
- all those who suffer from economic hardships and continue to live in poverty.



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GLOBAL MINISTRIES

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VISION/MISSION PRIORITIES

A vast region that spans a large portion of the earth, East Asia and the Pacific is diverse in culture, religion, and people. Global Ministries supports strengthening partnerships with churches, programs, and other groups in the region. Together with our partners, we are advocates on behalf of the issues and concerns that arise in each country. Using the many gifts, talents, and resources that each of us bring as we gather at the table, we are able to overcome some of the challenges our partners are facing: ethnic/indigenous violence in the Philippines and Fiji Islands, and negotiations of the Compact Free Agreement in Micronesia are just some of the pressing matters that are of concern to our partners and the people in the region. With the continued work of our missionaries empowering those who continue to live in poverty, developing youth programs in Japan, and the giving and receiving by Global Ministries and our partners, our relationships will be nurtured and our ministries together will help promote a just and peaceful world.



Mission Concerns

We seek the vision to create new programs and lead mission on God's path. As the nations of the world continue to experience increasing diversity, new cultures arise bringing new challenges. New issues will face future generations, prompting new visions for the mission of the church.

Religious Freedom

We work to nurture dialogue between various religious groups, advocates, and governments to end religious persecution. Once we begin to understand each other's beliefs, we will also be able to end prejudice.

Ethnic Minorities

We support the struggle of indigenous people for their rights and respect for their cultures. We oppose the continued taking-away of land from indigenous people, the violence in the Fiji Islands and the Philippines, and the unjust treatment of indigenous groups. We encourage learning about, and rejoicing in, the different gifts, talents and resources of all.

Youth Programs

We seek to nurture young adults and youth to take on responsibilities and provide leadership within their churches. We encourage church leaders to be mentors, and we support programs which will help to develop skills and empower youth and young adults to assume leadership roles.

Women and Children's Issues

We support advocacy on behalf of issues which affect the rights of women and children in the region, such as the mistreatment of women in war times which is only now being addressed in Japan.