**World Missions Ministry at First (Scots) Presbyterian Church 2016**

“Jesus went through Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness among the people.” (Matthew 4:23)

So too is our congregation called to teaching, preaching, and healing missions through out the world today. Our Partners include:

**BANGLADESH:** Stationed at The Christian Mission Hospital in Rajshahi, **Drs. Les and Cindy Morgan** serve as advisors and physicians in the health ministries of the Church of Bangladesh – in community health programs, hospitals, training programs, schools, and congregational work, also teaching Healing Ministry of the Church at St Andrew’s Theological College and leading spiritual retreats. Their ministry is one of compassion among the sick as ambassadors of the body of Christ. “…He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes…” Revelation 21:3-4. First (Scots) was blessed to have the Drs Morgan as our guests for World Missions Sunday in 2013.

**THE CONGO:** For over 20 years, **Dr John and Gwenda Fletcher** have served at the Good Shepherd Hospital in the Kasai region of the Democratic Republic of the Congo. John works as a surgical consultant to the 8 hospitals supported by the Presbyterian Community of Congo (CPC). He works with hospitals’ staffs to improve their surgical knowledge, skills, judgment, and techniques. Gwenda, an education consultant, assists the CPC’s Education Department in its efforts to enhance the quality of education in the church’s 702 elementary and secondary schools. First (Scots) was blessed to have the Fletchers as our guests for World Missions Sunday in 2016. “Oh Lord, you have searched me and known me.” Psalm 139:1

**GLOBAL:** Celebrating 35 years, **The Presbyterian Frontier Fellowship** supports the planting of indigenous churches committed to God’s mission in the most remote and dangerous regions of the world, including countries where Christianity is outlawed. Recent mission fields include Pakistan, North India, Ethiopia, and Sudan. “But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting.” John 4:35

**GLOBAL:** Since 1963, the **Medical Benevolence Foundation** has worked to provide hope and healing for those most in need. Working with its international church partners, MBF supports healing ministries in more than 100 hospitals and clinics in the most impoverished communities in the world, funding of mission workers, helping church partners build, maintain, and operate hospitals, as well as facilitating the shipment of surplus medical supplies and equipment from the US.

**HONDURAS:** In, 1999, South Carolina native **Suzy McCall** established **The Lamb Institute**, a Christ-centered, multifaceted ministry based in Tegucigalpa, Honduras. Giving the Glory to God, Lamb shares the hope found in Christ Jesus as they care for, educate, and empower those suffering from extreme poverty, abuse and exploitation in Honduras. Today Lamb operates an elementary school in one of the most violent and poverty stricken areas of Tegucigalpa, a large youth outreach program, a growing microcredit program with over 300 small business owners, multiple community programs, and a residential home inside the city for over 60 abused and neglected children. “We will follow the Lamb wherever He goes” (Revelation 14:4)

*First (Scots) MISSION OPPORTUNITIES:*

1) Intergenerational trip to Lamb--Summer

2) Congregational trip to Lamb -- Winter/Springtime

**HAITI:** The interdenominational community of **La Gonave Haiti Partners** supports education for children and adults, works to improve access to healthcare and nutrition, and assists with economic development in 10 rural communities on the island of La Gonave, Haiti. First (Scots) Church assists with the funding of the medical director and staff of the Bill Rice Clinic, and helped to implement an infant/maternal care initiative, which included the training of two nurse
midwives and supporting 10 community health care workers in outlying areas. First (Scots) was blessed to host the annual meeting of the partnership in 2016, with special guests, Pere Vil Jean Madoche, (Priest in charge of St Francis Episcopal Church on La Gonave, and in-country administrator of the partnership, and Dr Saintange Lapointe, Medical Director of the Bill Rice Clinic). “The poor and needy search…but I, the Lord will answer them. I will not forsake them.” Isaiah 41:17

*First (Scots) MISSION OPPORTUNITIES:
Health/Educational Trip to La Gonave – Winter/Springtime

PERU: Amazon Mission Fellowship is an interdenominational ministry dedicated to establishing and fostering covenant relationships between US and Peruvian churches in Nuevo Valentin, up the Amazon River south of Iquitos, Peru. The ministry exists with the shared purpose of nurturing spiritual growth in and through Jesus Christ.

*First (Scots) MISSION OPPORTUNITIES:
Members of First (Scots) congregation desiring to participate with another church on an AMF trip to Peru may obtain mission support.

UGANDA, NICARAGUA & BURUNDI: Founded in Charleston in 2009, the Palmetto Medical Initiative maintains fully operational, sustainable clinics, staffing them with a combination of native professionals and short term mission teams.

GLOBAL: Headquartered in Charleston, Water Missions is a nonprofit Christian engineering organization providing sustainable safe water and sanitation solutions for people in developing countries and disaster areas. Since 2001, WMI has supplied safe drinking water to over 3 million people in 52 countries.

RWANDA: Founded in 1907, the Rwandan Presbyterian Church operates an educational and theological ministry in the town of Muyumbu, Rwanda, with over 200 students and is implementing a nurse training program. “Go to all nations and make disciples, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.” Matthew 28:19-20