

Suggestions for PWNC churches to support Health Ministry in Guatemala

1. Become aware of your (Guatemalan) partner church's activity in health and inform your congregation. A sample "Minute for Mission", adaptable for use in worship, is attached.
2. Know the names of partner church's health promoters and show interest in their work.
3. If there aren't promoters, or if health work is not occurring, try (diplomatically) to find out why.
4. When thinking about joint projects for work teams, investigate with your partner church any interest and need the community has for constructing fuel-efficient stoves or latrines, or purchasing some water filters.
5. Encourage your own church's participation in the 5 cents / meal program that has been supporting the health project in Guatemala for many years.
6. If you don't have a partner church, consider becoming a health partner (Contact Doug Michael, 828-465-0335, or dougmichael@charter.net if you have interest in this option.)
7. Think about people you know in your congregations who might be interested in joining the WNC health team.
8. Encourage members to read Health Newsletters and other news on the Presbytery web site (www.presbyterywnc.org). Better yet if your church uses electronic newsletters, link your newsletter to the health newsletter and other pertinent information.

