**WHAT IS A PARTNER CHURCH?**

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Definition: A Partner Church is a congregation which commits to actively support CMM’s mission throughout a period of at least one year, and has identified a contact person in the congregation to whom CMM can relay news, prayer requests, financial requests for specific mission endeavors, volunteer opportunities, etc.

As the Partner Church assumes an obligation to CMM, CMM also assumes an obligation to the Partner Church to make sure it receives the latest news and videos, prayer requests at least twice each year for specific activity, notice of volunteer opportunities, resources similar to those available to schools who partner with CMM (bulletin board pictures, non-time sensitive newsletter articles describing CMM ministry, powerpoint /video presentations (in-person when possible).

1. Acquiring Partner Churches
	1. Churches seek us for a special “mission project”
	2. Congregations with schools who partner may want to continue a partner church relationship
	3. Inquiries from our display at WELS events
	4. Members of the Board of Directors ask their churches
	5. Partner Church information button on the CMM website
	6. Volunteers ask their congregations to partner with CMM
2. Materials for congregations inquiring about partner church status
	1. Church Partner information pack
		1. Letter - Thank you for considering partnership
		2. Intro Handout (similar to school) overview descript of CMM ministry
		3. List of resources to share the CMM mission with the congregation
			1. Archive of Videos/Youtube
			2. CMM Facebook Page
			3. At least two 2-3 minute video clips per year of ministry news
			4. Monthly news email update
			5. 12 non-time sensitive church newsletter suitable articles describing CMM ministry
			6. Bulletin Board pictures (similar to those for schools)
			7. Contact Person position - see description page
			8. Mutual Obligations of Partnership – see page
			9. Add – examples of plans to fund partnership
			10. Add – examples of how contact person may relay info