## Daniel Gabler UMAM



Daniel Gabler is a missionary with the General Board of Global Ministries of The United Methodist Church serving in aviation ministries in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC). He is a pilot and mechanic who is the head of a maintenance center for three flight ministries in that country.

From 2007 to 2012, he worked in aviation ministries from a base in White River, South Africa. Dan specifically shared his gifts and skills in enabling ZUMAT (Zululand Mission Air Transport) and Mercy Air to maintain their airplanes.

Starting as a Volunteer in Mission in the DRC in 1997, Dan served with the Wings of the Morning flight program in Nyembo,

Democratic Republic of the Congo, in support of the North Katanga Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church. As a commissioned missionary, he served that same ministry in Zambia for seven years.

Dan previously served in Bolivia, where he grew up, and also worked in Mozambique with Air Serv and World Vision.

Along with his wife Rachel, also a Global Ministries missionary, Dan thinks that being a missionary is so exciting and fulfilling that he cannot understand why everyone doesn't want to be one! "Granted, everyone is supposed to be a missionary where they are, but to go to another country is a lot more interesting." The Gablers are grateful that God has allowed them to do this.

The Gablers have two adult children, Naomi Gustafson and Nathan Gabler, and four grandsons, all of whom live in the United States.