

National/International Mission Committee

At its November 7, 2007 the National/International Mission Committee (NIMC) reviewed its 2007 program status and approved the following expenditures and 2007 budget changes:

Account	Name	Amount	To
510800	Pres. Student Coordinator	\$1,000	PCUSA designated for mission
510900	US Continent Mission-ND	\$3,000	support in lieu of normally requested Special Offering
511500	Youth Mission Ministry	\$3,000	Account 960013, Klingensmith Mission Scholarship Fund
512300	Faith Ministry Clinic	\$2,000	Faith Ministry with approval to use a portion for a financial audit and notice that future funds are conditioned on satisfactory audit results
512400	Faith Ministry Education& Bldg	\$1,000	
512600	Adult Mission Trip International	\$3,000	Account 960014, Mission Scholarship Fund

These were subsequently approved by the Administration & Finance Committee.

The United Orphanage & Academy at Mois Bridge, inspired by Westminster Presbyterian Church and Henri Rush with the leadership of Rev. Stephen N. Chege and support from WPC, Old Presbyterian Meeting House (Alexandria, VA), First Presbyterian Church (Marietta, GA), Lewinsville Presbyterian Church (McLean, VA), St. Leo's Catholic Church (Fairfax, VA) and Mary Queen of Peace Catholic Church (New Orleans, LA) is growing. The third major building has been completed. It now serves 48 resident orphans and a growing number of day students. Additional buildings are planned to permit serving more. The Westminster NIMC oversees the funding involved.

The NIMC approved the creation of the United Orphanage & Academy at Mois Bridge Coalition of Overseers to involve appointed leaders of U.S. donating churches to advise the NIMC on the UO&A's operation and funding. It will be charged with annually reviewing operation, plans, budget, accomplishments, challenges, and funding and with offering its recommendations to further the mission of the UO&A. The first report, covering 2007, will be issued in March, 2008. The NIMC will make all appropriate funding decisions and internally review the UO&A's budget and expenditures quarterly. Both A&F and Session will be kept advised of both status and changes.

Plans for the 2008 Great Hour of Sharing, Bread for the World, Alternative Christmas Giving, and mission trips to Spirit Lake, ND; Pascagoula, MS; The Shack, WV; and Mois Bridge, Kenya were initiated. A brochure outlining each of these is planned for distribution later this year to help generate wide interest and support.

The Alternative Christmas Giving Bazaar was discussed and the catalog content and production was finalized.

The meeting closed with prayer of thanks for the wonderful work being done to support God's mission.