

Annual MOMC Report 2025

The work of MOMC seems to go forward at a remarkable pace. We have had a year filled with domestic needs that have gone coast to coast. Terrific storms in the east brought enormous damage to Florida and North Carolina. Visits to Old Fort showed us firsthand what flood damage can do to a town. The west coast was hit by tragic fires and the loss of homes and neighborhoods that will never be the same. MOMC has continued to work on your behalf. Tornadoes and floods have been forced in West Virginia, Iowa and Tennessee. We have worked through Olivet University, Hosanna Industries and Convoy of Hope to address issues in these places.

We mourn the passing of our friend and longtime missionary Charles Sagay. He served the people at Mission School of Hope for a long time and will be missed by many of our churches who welcomed him on annual visits.

MOMC is grateful that Julie Robie was able to represent the council in a long overdue visit to Fishers of Men in Mexico. The council is encouraged by the funding which makes such periodic visits possible. A domestic visit by a council member is scheduled with Hosanna Industries this summer.

In March we completed our Freedom Journey trip to South Carolina. This was our eye-opening visit to the heart of civil rights in South Carolina. Several African American facilitators lead us through the history in Spartanburg, Greenville, Clemson and Westminster. Linda Lacy of Ashby, Nebraska has completed two paintings following that trip.

Mission Partners from global missions have failed to receive visas for travel to the annual meeting. We hope that this problem will be resolved in the near future as annual connections are helpful as we seek to assist missions. OGHS funds have gone to global missions and a special medical assistance allocation was recently sent out.

Our annual Charles Rush Award is given in response to congregational recognition of missionary service in the local church. It is a wonderful way to acknowledge the work of local congregations as they connect with missionaries in domestic and global situations.

This year we will have a joint mission project with NAPF and HOPE. We encourage any attending the annual meeting and Conference to join us on Sunday following lunch.

Keep MOMC in your prayers and feel free to invite us for mission exposure in your church. We thank Marshalltown and Lake Odessa for inviting us to be a part of their worship services. Several other church were visited this year.

Rev. Rich Miller-Todd, Chair