



The World Communion of Reformed Churches

Called to communion, Committed to justice

Stronger together, the members of the WCRC are dedicated to foster justice for all in the transformation of the world through the love of Jesus Christ.

Your financial support helps us make a difference in the world. Here are just a few examples of how:

Connecting members through mission

Over a million innocent children have been denied their normal childhoods by the ongoing fighting in Syria and Iraq. They are now at risk of becoming a lost generation.

Lebanon has been at the forefront of accepting and assisting refugees, and the National Evangelical Synod of Syria and Lebanon (NESSL), a member of the WCRC, has been deeply involved with relief work.

“The RCA is thrilled to be able to partner with NESSL and WCRC. We know that we can do so much more together in partnership than we can alone.”

—Scott Engelsman, facilitator for global mission development

Noting the desperate circumstances of refugee children, the NESSL opened a special school for Syrian students in the Beqaa Valley. They applied for funding from the WCRC’s Reformed Partnership Fund (RPF), which provides small grants to churches for mission-related projects.

The **WCRC unites 80 million Christians** from over **225 denominations** in more than **105 countries**. Members come from Congregational, Presbyterian, Reformed, United, Uniting and Waldensian traditions. United in Christ and rooted in the historic Reformed traditions, the WCRC with its member churches believe that Christian faith is responding to God’s call to bring the fullness of life to all.



President Pillay honors Syrian and Lebanese volunteers

However, the grant available through the RPF couldn’t cover all expenses. So the WCRC reached out to its member churches, and the Reformed Church in America provided the additional funds to open the school.

Bringing these two member churches together to provide critical help to these children in need was only the latest example of the WCRC’s persistent efforts to engage in mission through the Communion.



A class for refugees in Lebanon

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Your tax-exempt gift will allow us to continue in mission to this world so loved by God. Make a contribution online at wcr.ch/donate or send a check to:

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Ecumenical engagement

To be Reformed is to be ecumenical.

The WCRC, representing its 80 million members, initiates ecumenical dialogues with other Christian communions, seeking to bridge divides, resolve disagreements, share perspectives, and deepen engagement with each other and the world.

With the 500th anniversary of the Luther-inspired Reformation coming in 2017, the WCRC is working to deepen the relationship between its members and Lutherans.

It does this even as the latest round of Reformed-Catholic dialogues comes to a close and new dialogues with both the Anglicans, focusing on “Communion” as a theme, and Pentecostals, taking on the theme of “Mission,” have begun in the past year.



Reformed-Catholic dialogue in Belgium



Anglican-Reformed dialogue in India

“The pressing issues of a divided world give a challenge to churches to witness together to a common faith and to one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.”

—Elizabeth A Welch, minister, United Reformed (England), and participant in the Anglican-Reformed dialogue

Developing leaders

The WCRC is committed to developing the new generation of church leaders, especially in the Global South. The WCRC utilizes an array of programs to nurture, mentor, support and challenge young leaders. The two most

“What I learned as an intern will deeply influence my ministry: first, make sure all voices are heard; and second: youth and young people are not the future of the church, they are now.”

—Joanna Hipp, intern from PCUSA

prominent of these are the WCRC’s internship program and the Global Institute of Theology (GIT).

The next GIT, an intensive short-term academic program, will be held in Germany in 2017, in conjunction with the General Council.

The internship program gives opportunities to young people to work with the organization in order to learn about global ecumenism and the issues that are central to the WCRC’s mission: Reformed theology and social justice advocacy.



GIT students in Costa Rica

Interns are encouraged to be interdisciplinary and explore all aspects of the organization’s work, including the opportunity to connect with people in other church and advocacy organizations.



Interns in Germany