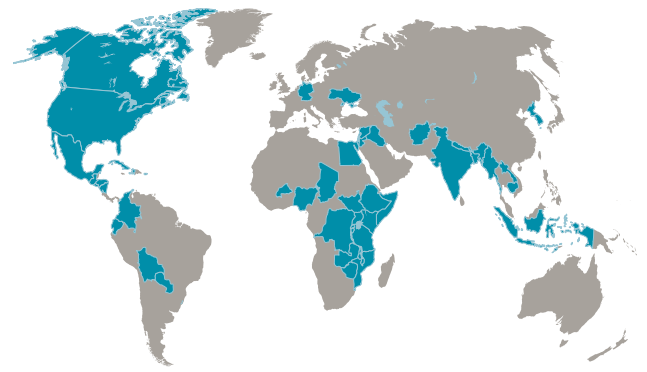


2022 report for Central District Conference

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47 countries
385 partners
508 projects



In Niniongo, Burkina Faso, Adama Sawadogo and her child Adjara Zabre are participants in an MCC-supported maternal and child health project. Using care group models, the project has resulted in major improvements to maternal and child health, including an 83% reduction in infant mortality since the project started in 2018. (MCC photo/ Paul Shetler Fast)

MCC's 2022 guiding scripture

I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing.

John 15:5 (NRSV)

All that we do at MCC, we do in the name of Christ. Thanks to your generosity, MCC is able to continue responding to basic human needs and working for peace and justice around the world. From maternal and child health in Burkina Faso to short and long-term relief for displaced people in Ukraine to mass incarceration in Chicago, MCC strives to share God's love and compassion for all. We are so grateful for the creativity of our supporters and partners in the midst of a challenging past couple of years. Whether you donate financially, pray for MCC, volunteer at an MCC thrift shop, pack kits and comforters, help can meat or bid on items at a relief sale, you are part of the MCC story and we thank you.

With thanksgiving,

Eric Kurtz, MCC Great Lakes executive director

Peter Martin, MCC Great Lakes Board representative for Central District Conference

MCC and Central District Conference connections

- CDC congregations play important roles in MCC relief sales, thrift shops, My Coins Count fundraisers, material resources drives and meat canning.
- Various congregations hosted MCC speakers, either virtually or in person.
- Bluffton University students volunteered with the SWAP home repair program in Harlan, Kentucky.
- Juan Sebastian Pacheco Lozano led the Loss of Turtle Island learning experience at Camp Friedenswald and a Borderlands Learning Tour to the U.S./Mexico border, which both included CDC participants.
- Thank you to the CDC churches who have served as hosting congregations for International Volunteer Exchange Program (IVEP) participants.

“When we partner together to live out our faith, our collective impact can reach around the world.”

- Eric Kurtz

MCC's Sharing With Appalachian People (SWAP) program in Kentucky and West Virginia has the important goal of making homes in the region safe, warm and dry. But it's the relationships that develop between staff, volunteers and homeowners that are priceless. Homeowner Annette Hawkins had been living for

years in a deteriorating house in Bishop, West Virginia. Despite many barriers, including distance and the extensive repairs needed, SWAP was able to complete the project. Annette (right) spent many hours working side-by-side with volunteers like Allison Carlisle (left) and enjoyed visiting with volunteers and staff.

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