

Church Application for Mission Key Award

Church Name _____

Address _____

State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Pastor's Name _____

District _____ Annual Conference _____

Church ID Number _____ Level of Award you wish to apply for _____

**List the items from the qualifying list your church has participated in over the past 12 months.
Please list known dates.**

**Please List below some or all names of persons participating in the mission opportunities
from the qualifying list.**

Please tell us in brief the work your church has done in the field of mission over the past year.

Please complete this brief application and forward no later than **May 20, 2012**

Mail to:

Or Email to: mission.secretary@wpaumc.org

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Mission Key Awards to Honor Local Church Mission Work

Conference Secretary of Global Ministries, Kenneth A. Haines and Mission/VIM Coordinator, Diane Miller, along with the Global Ministries Committee of WPA are endeavoring to lift up and recognize the mission efforts of the local congregations across Western Pennsylvania through the awarding of Mission Key Awards. These churches will be awarded on three levels, bronze, silver, and gold based on the number of items completed from a qualifying list. Churches can make application and qualify to receive these awards by completing an application and returning it to Rev. Haines no later than May 20, 2012. A qualifying list along with the application can be found on the WPA conference website wpaumc.org, by contacting Rev. Haines at mission.secretary@wpaumc.org or by phone at 814-842-3857.

Mission Key Awards

Bronze Key Award

You qualify for a bronze mission key award if your church paid in full the mission share for 2011 and participated in four (4) or more of the mission areas listed below during the period May 1, 2011 – May 1, 2012.

Silver Key Award

You qualify for a silver mission key award if your church paid in full the mission share for 2011 and participated in seven (7) or more of the mission areas listed below during the period May 1, 2011 – May 1, 2012.

Gold Key Award

You qualify for a gold mission key award if your church paid in full the mission share for 2011 and participated in ten (10) or more of the mission areas listed below during the period May 1, 2011 – May 1, 2012.

Qualifying List

1. Supported at least one local mission project.
2. Received *Special Sunday* offerings and special mission related offerings.
3. Fulfilled a covenant relationship with a missionary obligation
4. Supported at least one Conference Mission Initiative such as Russia, Haiti, Zimbabwe, Nicaragua, Latin America, or East German Conference.
5. Maintain an active United Methodist Women.
6. Maintain an active United Methodist Men.
7. At least one person attended Cooperative School of Christian Mission.
8. Celebrated Mission Sunday with a mission speaker.
9. Sent at least one person or took a group on a Mission Study Tour or Volunteer in Mission Trip.
10. Offered a new mission experience. Did something new that your congregation had never done before.
11. Directly supported one of the five Regional Ministries of Western Pennsylvania. Connellsville Area Community Ministries, Pittsburgh North Side Ministries, Erie United Methodist Alliance, Prison Outreach Ministry, United Methodist Human Services (Johnstown).
12. Supported the Conference Disaster Preparedness & Response Team.
13. Had at least 2 persons attend District Lay Ministry School in the past year.
14. Supported *Doorways to Hope at Home Fund*.
15. Had at least one youth from your community attend a WPA Summer Camp and gave financial support to those youth for that purpose.
16. Had at least one child or youth attend the WPA Cooperative School of Christian Mission and gave financial support to that child or youth.
17. Support mission Barn with time, talent, or resources.