

**ITEM 214
INFORMATION ITEM**

Subject: Mission Personnel Actions

Background:

Approved by GAC at the April 2008 meeting:

The GAC has officially designated authority to a subcommittee of members from the Leadership and Vocation Committee to approve any mission personnel actions in their name and on their behalf.

Summary of approved actions for the months of September, October, November and December of 2008, as well as January 2009, are as follows:

The following Mission Co-Worker Reappointment/Amended/Extended actions were approved during September 2008:

Name	Assignment	Years of Service	Country
Hudson, Susan	Regional Liaison - South Asia	9/29/2008 – 3/31/2010	India
Wheeler, Gloria	Delegations & Mission Ed	1/1/2009 – 12/31/2012	Honduras
Wheeler, Timothy	Community Development	1/1/2009 – 12/31/2012	Honduras

The following Mission Co-Worker Reassignment actions were approved during September 2008:

Name	Assignment	Date of Service	Country
Carriker, Marta	Delegations Coordinator	10/1/2008 – 9/30/2011	Brazil
Carriker, Timothy	Curriculum Designer, Education Consultant	10/1/2008 – 9/30/2011	Brazil

The following Mission Co-Worker Leave of Absence actions were approved during September 2008:

Name	Assignment	Date of Service	Country
Morgan, Cynthia	Team Ministry	10/1/2008 – 9/30/2009	United States
Morgan, Leslie	Health Consultant	10/1/2008 – 9/30/2009	United States
Wheeler-Waddell, Anne	Professor	12/1/2008 – 11/30/2009	Ethiopia
Wheeler-Waddell, John	Professor	12/1/2008 – 11/30/2009	Ethiopia

The following Mission Co-Worker End-of-Service actions were approved during September 2008:

Name	Assignment	End of Service Date	Country
Dunsmore, Julie	Team Ministry	10/31/2008	Bolivia
Dunsmore, Robert	JH Facilitator	10/31/2008	Bolivia
Hudson, David	Regional Liaison - South Asia	9/28/2008	India
Weller, Rachel	Health Coordinator for E&W Gambella Synods	12/31/2008	Ethiopia

The following Long-term Volunteer Reappointment actions were approved during September 2008:

Name	Assignment	Date of Service	Country
Davisson, Amy	Ministry to Burmese Refugees in Thailand	1/1/2009 – 12/31/2010	Thailand
Love, Paul	Researcher-Study Center for Indian Literature	9/15/2008 – 9/14/2010	India

The following Short Term Volunteer New Appointment actions were approved during September 2008:

Name	Assignment	Date of Service	Country
Cochran, Megan	HIV/AIDS Psychosocial Support Activities	8/20/2008 – 6/2/2009	Cameroon
Dorman, Robert	Visiting Instructor in Theology	10/1/2008 – 1/21/2009	Lebanon
Langford, Elizabeth	Work with Fruit Tree Program	9/2/2008 – 8/2/2009	Madagascar
Leslie, Robert	Accompaniment Volunteer	9/30/2008 – 11/4/2008	Colombia
Nelson, Ruth	Accompaniment Volunteer	9/30/2008 – 11/4/2008	Colombia
Topple, Mia	Dermatologist	9/1/2008 – 11/15/2008	Kenya
Topple, Stanley	Orthopedic Surgeon	9/1/2008 – 11/15/2008	Kenya
Trickey, Lydia	Tzeltal Synod Partnership Facilitator	8/15/2008 – 7/14/2009	Mexico

The following Mission Co-Worker Reappointment/Amended/Extended actions were approved during October 2008:

Name	Assignment	Date of Service	Country
Adeney-Risakotta, Bernard	Professor of Ethics	4/1/2009 – 9/30/2009	Indonesia
Adeney-Risakotta, Farsijana	Senior Researcher	4/1/2009 – 9/30/2009	Indonesia
Ban, Ho	Computer Science Teacher	10/5/2008 – 11/30/2008	China
Frerichs, Susanne	Christian Ed. Partnership Facilitator	9/1/2009 – 12/1/2009	Mexico
Hill, Shirley	Public Health Worker (HIV/AIDS)	1/1/2009 – 12/31/2011	Cameroon

The following Mission Co-Worker Leave of Absence actions were approved during October 2008:

Name	Assignment	Date of Service	Country
Ban, Min Young	Team Ministry	10/5/2008 – 10/4/2009	United States

The following Mission Co-Worker End-of-Service actions were approved during October 2008:

Name	Assignment	End of Service Date	Country
Cook, Linnis	Legal Intern	6/30/2009	Brazil
Woodruff, Archibald	Professor of Biblical & Greek Studies	6/30/2009	Brazil

The following Short Term Volunteer New Appointment actions were approved during October 2008:

Name	Assignment	Date of Service	Country
Doughty, Jean	Accompaniment Volunteer	11/4/2008 – 12/15/2008	Colombia
Dykstra, Lyle	College Lecturer	1/1/2009 – 6/30/2009	Kenya
Dykstra, Terry	School Administrator, Counselor	1/1/2009 – 6/30/2009	Kenya
Speyer, Ann	Communications assistant	10/1/2008 – 12/4/2008	Cameroon

The following Mission Co-Worker Reappointment/Amended/Extended actions were approved during November 2008:

Name	Assignment	Date of Service	Country
Ban, Ho	Computer Science Teacher	12/1/2008 – 11/30/2011	China
Cardenas, Carlos	Disaster Mitigation/ Environmental Mgmt	1/1/2009 – 12/31/2011	Nicaragua
Chan, Judy	Communications Specialist	12/1/2008 – 11/30/2012	China
Finseth, Michele	Companionship Facilitator	3/1/2009 – 12/31/2009	Jerusalem
Finseth, Terry	Companionship Facilitator	3/1/2009 – 12/31/2009	Jerusalem
Kim, Taikjoo	Director of Christian Cultural Center	6/1/2009 – 12/31/2009	Kazakhstan
Kim, Young Kyo	Team Ministry	6/1/2009 – 12/31/2009	Kazakhstan
Lim, Choon	Campus Ministry to Aborigines	4/1/2009 – 3/31/2012	Taiwan
Lim, Yen Hee	Campus Ministry to Aborigines	4/1/2009 – 3/31/2012	Taiwan
Matheny, Paul	Professor of Theology	4/1/2009 – 3/31/2012	Philippines
Nebelsick, Mary	Professor of Old Testament	4/1/2009 – 3/31/2012	Philippines
Smith, Alan	Teacher/Counselor	6/1/2009 – 5/31/2012	Russian Federation
Smith, Ellen	Coordinator for Congregational Twinning	6/1/2009 – 5/31/2012	Russian Federation

The following Mission Co-Worker End-of-Service actions were approved during November 2008:

Name	Assignment	End of Service Date	Country
Arthur, Thomas	Pastor	1/31/2009	United Kingdom
Gartrell, Virginia	Social Worker for Disadvantaged Children	12/31/2008	Brazil
McBane, Billie Gail	Team Ministry	8/31/2009	Pakistan
McBane, George	Evangelist/Church Planter	8/31/2009	Pakistan
Michael, John	Ecumenical Relations	12/31/2008	Czech Republic

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Sherby, Ellen	CEPAD Report/Commun. & Partnership Facilitator	1/4/2009	Nicaragua
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The following Short Term Volunteer New Appointment actions were approved during November 2008:

Name	Assignment	Date of Service	Country
Johnson, David	English Teacher	1/21/2009 – 12/20/2009	Indonesia
Johnson, Karen	English Teacher	1/21/2009 – 12/20/2009	Indonesia
Larson, Robert	English Teacher	1/2/2009 – 11/30/2009	Indonesia

The following Mission Co-Worker New Appointment actions were approved during December 2008:

Name	Assignment	Date of Service	Country
Armstrong, Sara	Delegations & Partnership Coordinator	1/1/2009 – 12/31/2011	Peru
Buck, Alexandra	Bridge of Hope Facilitator for JH	1/1/2009 – 12/31/2011	Peru
Craft, Amanda	Women's Leadership Development	1/1/2009 – 12/31/2011	Guatemala
Edmondson, Russell	Delegations & Partnership Coordinator	1/1/2009 – 12/31/2011	Peru
Fletcher, Gwenda	Education Consultant	1/1/2009 – 12/31/2011	Congo [DRC]
Fletcher, John	CPC Surgical Consultant	1/1/2009 – 12/31/2011	Congo [DRC]
Hector, Bridgette	Companionship Facilitator for JH	5/1/2009 – 4/31/2012	South Africa
Koball, Jed	Companionship Facilitator	1/1/2009 – 12/31/2011	Peru
McGaughey, Nancy	Health Coordinator, ACROSS	1/1/2009 – 12/31/2011	Sudan
Veltman, Nathaniel	Development Coordinator	1/1/2009 – 12/31/2011	Ethiopia

The following Mission Co-Worker Reappointment/Amended/Extended actions were approved during December 2008:

Name	Assignment	Date of Service	Country
Haninger, Michael	OB/GYN-Physician	1/1/2009 – 12/31/2011	Congo [DRC]
Haninger, Nancy	Certified Nurse Mid- Wife	1/1/2009 – 12/31/2011	Congo [DRC]
Wakeman, Esther	University Administrator	1/1/2007 – 12/31/2009	Thailand
Weller, Michael	Regional Liaison - Horn of Africa	1/1/2009 – 1/31/2009	Ethiopia

The following Mission Co-Worker End-of-Service actions were approved during December 2008:

Name	Assignment	End of Service Date	Country
Shepard, Valerie	Team Ministry	2/28/2009	Congo [DRC]
Shepard Jr, Walter	Theological College Consultant/Pastor	2/28/2009	Congo [DRC]

The following Long-term Volunteer New Appointment actions were approved during December 2008:

Name	Assignment	Date of Service	Country
Diercksen, David	Puentes de Cristo U.S. Coordinator	1/1/2009 – 12/31/2010	Mexico
Steck, W. Stacey	Assoc. for Developm't & Congregational Growth	1/1/2009 – 12/31/2010	Costa Rica

The following Long-term Volunteer Reappointment/Extended actions were approved during December 2008:

Name	Assignment	Date of Service	Country
McReynolds, Christopher	US Coordinator - Amistad	1/1/2009 – 12/31/2010	Mexico
Rogers, Brice	Communications Liaison	1/1/2009 – 6/30/2009	Egypt

The following Long-term Volunteer End-of-Service actions were approved during December 2008:

Name	Assignment	End of Service Date	Country
Goad, Jacob	Delegations & Partnership Coord	12/31/2008	Peru
Smith, Vicki	Volunteer Teacher	12/31/2008	Jamaica

The following Short Term Volunteer New Appointment actions were approved during December 2008:

Name	Assignment	Date of Service	Country
Reimer, W. Ann	Leadership Training/ Aniak Bible Translation	1/1/2009 – 1/31/2009	Ethiopia
Reimer, Niles	Leadership Training/ Aniak Bible Translation	1/1/2009 – 1/31/2009	Ethiopia
Topple, Stanley	Orthopedic Surgeon	1/1/2009 – 1/31/2009	Kenya

The following Mission Co-Worker Reappointment/Amended/Extended actions were approved during January 2009:

Name	Assignment	Date of Service	Country
Michael, Joyce	Ecumenical Relations Assistant	2/1/2009 – 6/30/2009	Czech Republic

The following Mission Co-Worker End-of-Service actions were approved during January 2009:

Name	Assignment	End of Service Date	Country
Smith, Melanie	Team Ministry	1/31/2009	India
Smith, Scott	Consultant/Health & Development Project	1/31/2009	India

The following Short Term Volunteer New Appointment actions were approved during January 2009:

Name	Assignment	Date of Service	Country
Weaver, Carol	Accompaniment Volunteer	1/15/2009 – 2/24/2009	Colombia

The following Int. Young Adult Volunteer End-of-Service action was approved during January 2009:

Name	Assignment	End of Service Date	Country
Foster, Joanna	Community Development Intern (ELCA)	12/31/2008	Kenya