

Stop AIDS. Keep the Promise.



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Some Numbers Have Faces

- ▶ Around 40 million people have HIV/AIDS worldwide.
- ▶ 60% of them live in sub-Saharan Africa
- ▶ Five people die of AIDS every minute.
- ▶ In the same amount of time, nine more people are infected with HIV.

\$8 Million of Hope

One way United Methodists are answering this crisis is through the United Methodist Global AIDS Fund. Heeding the biblical commands to “care for the widow and the orphan” and “visit the sick,” the 2004 General Conference delegates established The United Methodist Church Global AIDS Fund, with a goal of raising at least \$8 million by 2008.

Funding supports education, prevention, care and treatment programs for people living with HIV/AIDS. The Global AIDS Fund does not overlook the crisis in the United States. About one million people are infected in the United States and more are added to that number each day. The plan specifies that 25 percent of what each annual conference raises should be used in that conference for AIDS work, either locally or in global projects.

Preventing AIDS in the Next Generation

This critical work is starting with the next generation: infants infected by HIV at birth. Pregnant women have a one in three chance of transmitting HIV on to their infants. United Methodists are working to provide a life-preserving drug, Nevirapine, which prevents the transmission of HIV from mother to child in Zimbabwe and seven other countries.

How to Give

You can help fight AIDS in Africa, the US and around the world by giving to UMCOR Advance #982345, United Methodist Global AIDS Fund. Write the Advance # and name on your offering envelope and in the memo line of your check.

- By Offering** For local church and Annual Conference credit, put your gift in the offering plate on Sunday.
- By Check** Make your check to **UMCOR** and mail to UMCOR, PO Box 9068, New York, NY 10087
- By Credit Card** Call toll-free (800) 554-8583



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