Options for Adults on Mission

Adults on Mission engages adults of all ages in making disciples of Jesus who live on mission. Through Adults on Mission, men and women have opportunities to learn, pray, and do missions while using their talents and spiritual gifts to fulfill the mission of God. Several options are open in forming Adults on Mission groups. Leaders have the ability to customize their group to fit the size of the church and its mission strategy.

• An Adults on Mission group might exist for the church year or a calendar year, or it might be ongoing in the church. A group may exist for less than a year if the group’s purpose is to meet a specific need for a particular time.

• The focus of an Adults on Mission group may center around one of the WMU missional characteristics, such as learning about missions or praying for missions. For example, if the focus is on prayer, the group can use the prayer feature in Missions Mosaic to guide prayer activities and use Prayer Patterns in praying for missionaries listed on their birthdays.

• An Adults on Mission group can also focus on doing missions and telling about Jesus through hands-on missions projects. Their involvement can be through one-time projects or ongoing ministries. This could be involvement in ministries in their own community, local association, state convention, or in another part of North America. Adults on Mission groups may choose to participate in international missions efforts through missions trips and other supportive projects.

• Another option for Adults on Mission groups is to place a focus on giving support to missions. This could be through the weeks of prayer for North American and international missions and in giving to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering® for International Missions and the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering® for North American Missions. Resources for ideas include Missions Plan Book, Missions Mosaic, and Missions Leader: WMU Planning Guide.

• Adults on Mission groups may be formed based on interests of those who participate. This could be based on life phases such as retirees or on missions projects of interest such as feeding ministries or a community project.