

Men and Women of Action

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I. WHO ARE THE MEN AND WOMEN OF ACTION?

MWOA are ordinary people of every age who see beyond their own world with a desire to be used of God in practical ways . . . people of compassion and a heart for God. These men and women, whether skilled or unskilled, come from every walk of life. They are goodwill ambassadors and builders of new lives as well as buildings.

II. WHAT EXACTLY DOES THE MWOA DO?

They volunteer their time and pay their own way to travel around the world to build and repair churches, medical clinics, orphanages, feeding centers and schools. They also provide volunteer medical assistance and assist in disaster relief. During the Thanksgiving-Christmas season, Christmas Celebration teams travel around the world to provide parties and banquets and take gifts to those in need.

III. WHAT IS THE MISSION OF MWOA?

This ministry enhances other ministries throughout the world so that they will be more fruitful in their participation in the Great Commission. They help churches, medical clinics, orphanages, feeding centers and schools become more effective in meeting the needs of their community. MWOA provide special opportunities for every person to use their personal skills, talents and spiritual gifts in practical, hands-on ministry within the local community and around the world.

IV. WHY SUCH A MINISTRY?

- We are commissioned to go . . . "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations" (Matthew 28:19 *NIV*).
- We are empowered to serve . . . "For we are God's workmanship created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do" (Ephesians 2:10, *NIV*).
- Gifted to build . . . "But someone will say you have faith: I have deeds, show me your faith without deeds, and I will show you my faith by what I do" (James 2:18, *NIV*).
- To Show our love . . . "If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him?" (1 John 3:17, *NIV*).

V. WHERE DO MWOA TEAMS GO?

They go wherever they are needed. Volunteer teams travel around the world, here in the USA and in their local community. The MWOA publish a "*Project List*" which lists the upcoming projects, dates, cost and a brief description of the work to be done within that year.

VI. HOW DOES MWOA CHOOSE A PROJECT?

The MWOA Department works with the local pastor and church, State offices, International Offices and the World Missions Department to organize and select the projects. Requests for Assistance are made in writing to the MWOA office describing the work to be done. Then a selection committee chooses the projects for the upcoming year.

VII. WHAT RESOURCES DOES MWOA PROVIDE?

MWOA provides instructional guidelines, leadership training sessions, brochures, newsletters, skills and talents surveys, caps, shirts and many more items to assist in this ministry. A 10-minute video presenting the MWOA ministry is available. The annual MWOA Rally and Celebration Reunion is held each year where the volunteers come together to share their experiences and to make plans for future projects.

VIII. HOW DO I VOLUNTEER?

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