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# Our **Philosophy**



**Global Learning in Ecumenical Perspective** 

# **GLOBAL**

Being global is part of who we are. It shapes every project, all management structures, our decision-making processes, our staff makeup, fundraising, and each of our fields of expertise.

# **LEARNING**

Basic human rights. Learning as a way to transcend global, local, social, economic, and cultural boundaries. We are learning together.

# **ECUMENICAL**

Our faith is global. We believe that we all belong together. This is the basis for all of our programmes and why they are organized as they are: across the spectrum that the UEM portrays.

# **PERSPECTIVE**

A multitude of perspectives for all topics concerning the UEM. Full participation by a varied population in all programmes and topics. Diversity is our strength.

# Many Churches, **One Communion**

The United Evangelical Mission (UEM) is an international and equitable communion with 39 members, including 38 Protestant churches in Africa, Asia, and Germany, plus the v. Bodelschwingh Foundation Bethel.

The UEM is steadfast in its pursuit of a holistic understanding of mission.













The UEM is a communion that works together in solidarity and prays for each other.

Volker Martin Dally –

# **United Evangelical Mission**

Communion of Churches in three Continents

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# Our Mission Statement



We live in a world torn apart. Some live in abundance, others have fewer rights and not enough to live on. People become isolated, relationships and community are lost, and the social and natural foundations of our lives are increasingly destroyed.

Knowing that we are all members of the body of Christ, we follow his example and invite people into a learning, serving and praying communion across continents and cultures. In following him, we work for a more just, peaceful world, the integrity of creation, and the sharing of the Gospel so that all people may enjoy life in abundance.

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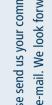












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# We translate this conviction into the following (5) areas of work:

Because we believe that human We understand mission as a holistic duty and work together to fulfil this duty. This is why we hold advocacy, diaconia, development, evangelism and partnership to be integral elements in spreading the human rights Gospel. The UEM is a global organization and works locally in Africa, Asia, and Germany. we join efforts to achieve We share our resources and

gifts and exchange staff and

for mission.

volunteers to empower all of us

# **ADVOCACY**

beings are created in the image of God and therefore have inalienable dignity and rights:

- we promote and defend
- we support initiatives to solve conflicts peacefully
- iust economic conditions and good governance
- we strive for the protection of the environment

# DIACONIA

Because we confess that all human beings are created in the image of God:

- we support international qualification programmes for diaconal workers
- we work to improve peoples' living conditions, especially those with special needs
- we strive to improve medical care and promote physical and psychological health for all people
- we support churches as they assist people in need as a result of human or natural disasters

# **DEVELOPMENT**

Because we are convinced that God's love continues to empower people:

- we support programmes that empower men, women and youth
- we carry out international training programmes
- we offer scholarships for higher education
- we build capacity in our member churches
- we contribute to overcoming poverty in all its forms

# **EVANGELISM**

Because we believe in the Gospel as God's power of salvation and renewal:

- we jointly strengthen our spiritual life and develop and promote evangelistic projects to share the gospel with all people and invite them to trust in Christ.
- we promote joint programmes
- we promote dialogue and theological exchange
- we encourage and support our members to learn mutual and respectful ways of encountering people of other faiths

# **PARTNERSHIP**

Because we understand ourselves as parts of the one body of Christ:

- we foster and support various forms of partnership among our members based on respect, mutuality, and transparency
- we facilitate exchange visits for staff, experts, and volunteers
- we create partnership networks to open up and strengthen multilateral relations

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