These are just some of the ways that your gifts Our Church's Wider Mission transform the life of the Penn West Conference and our ministry in western Maryland and western Pennsylvania. Your gift can make a difference to help sustain our vital ministries for years to come. Here are ways that you can help:

You can donate online at <u>www.pennwest.org</u> or send gifts to us at Penn West Conference, 312 South Maple Avenue, Suite PWC, Greensburg PA 15601.

You may make a planned gift to help the Penn West Conference. Planned gifts can help to sustain the Conference's work and ministry for years to come. Please contact the Rev. David Ackerman at <u>david@pennwest.org</u> if you'd like to talk about ways that you can make a planned gift to the Conference.

You may direct a planned gift toward our Mission Grants Program. Our Mission Grants directly help our local churches with a host of ministries, from operational expenses to opportunities for outreach to initiatives for growth and vitality. If you'd like to make a planned gift to help many churches in the Conference through this program, please contact the Rev. David Ackerman at <u>david@pennwest.org</u>.



Thank you for your gifts, and God bless you all!"

The Rev. David Ackerman Conference Minister

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## What a Difference "Our Church's Wider Mission" Makes!

Your gifts to Our Church's Wider Mission make an amazing difference in the life of our Penn West Conference and our wider United Church of Christ. Here are just some of the things that people around our Conference have to say about Our Church's Wider Mission.



"I'd like to thank you for your gifts to 'Our Church's Wider Mission.' Your gifts bless our mission partners and the ministries we offer: quality education; enhancing the life of others; love, care, and service; adding life to years. That is what our mission

partners do!" - The Rev. Jerry McCuller

"At the national church level, the decision-making process occurs during General Synod.... I like to think of the Annual Gathering & Meeting as P e n n W e s t C o n f e r e n c e's family reunion!" – Ms. Chelsea Neatrour





Penn West Conference, but we also are the witnesses to Christ's love in this world.... We find that we are a conduit of transformation and renewal within our

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Conference and within our communities.... Your OCWM dollars help us with that." - Pastor James Neatrour

"We provide s u p p o r t, resources, and training to our leaders in all areas of f a i t h formation!" – Ms. Valarie Poole"





"Your contributions to OCWM help to make this work [of Committees on Ministry] possible, so that you can continue to do excellent ministry!" -The Rev. Liddy Barlow "The very best part of the mission grants is that they connect us together. We are all blessed to be part of the mission and ministry of local



churches across the Penn West Conference. We are all part of working for the common good. What a blessing this resource is!" – The Rev. David Mears



"In order for us to trulv see how the church works worldwide, we need to hear about h t е challenges a n d

excitements of partner churches around the world.... I appreciate the partnership with the United Church of Christ in the Philippines and the other global churches that we support because it helps me to bring my own faith and my own friendships into focus." – The Rev. Joseph Hedden