**2017-15** *Submit a form for each local church, even if no commitments are being made.*

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| Charge: | Church: | Church Number: |

**GIFTS AND SERVICE TO MISSION – 2017 Report / 2018 Commitment**

**Commitment to Mission Projects Approved by the Annual Conference:** (see 2017 conference workbook page 60)

1. ***Our church has set a goal of at least one dollar per member for Golden Cross*** (offerings are used for health and welfare ministries in the annual conference) *in 2017.*

Yes  No

Number of Members:        Contributed to Golden Cross so far in 2017: $

1. ***Our church commits to participating in the Celebration of Mission Event*** *in 2018.*  Yes  No

Dollar amount raised for Celebration of Mission Event in 2017: $

Items contributed for Celebration of Mission Event in 2017:     \_\_\_

1. ***Our church commits to observing Undie Sunday*** *on or about October 8, 2018.*  Yes  No

Our church will (or did) observe Undie Sunday on or about October 9, 2017.  Yes  No

1. **Conference Advance Specials in which our church participates:**

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| **Conference Advance Special** | **Contributed**  **so far in 2017** | **Goal for 2018** |
| **a. Church and Community Workers and their projects** |  |  |
| **b. Ebenezer Community Outreach** |  |  |
| **c. Heart and Hand House, Inc. (Philippi)** |  |  |
| **d. Heart and Hand Outreach Ministries (South Charleston)** |  |  |
| **e. House of the Carpenter** |  |  |
| **f. Scott’s Run Settlement House** |  |  |
| **g. Tyrand Cooperative Ministries** |  |  |
| **h. The Upshur Parish House** |  |  |
| **i. Volunteers in Mission** |  |  |
| **j. Disaster Response** |  |  |
| **k. Hunger Ministries** |  |  |
| **l. Global Health** |  |  |
| **m. Congregational Development** |  |  |
| **n. Africa University Endowment** |  |  |
| **o. Living Hope High School Advance #3021425** |  |  |

1. **Local Mission Giving:**

In addition to items listed above, we contribute to the following **local** community mission work:

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|  | **Contributed**  **so far in 2017** | **Goal for 2018** |
| a. |  |  |
| b. |  |  |
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| d. |  |  |
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1. **Additional Mission Giving:**

In addition to items listed above, we contribute to the following other mission projects **outside** our community:

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|  | **Contributed**  **so far in 2017** | **Goal for 2018** |
| a. |  |  |
| b. |  |  |
| c. |  |  |
| d. |  |  |
| e. |  |  |
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1. **Ways we will plan to education our congregation about missional opportunities:**

***Our church will make an effort to visit at least one of the official conference mission projects*** *during 2018.*

Yes  No

***Our church commits to having at least one person attend Mission U*** *next summer at W.Va. Wesleyan College.*

Yes  No

***Our church commits to conducting a mission study*** *at least once during the year.*   Yes  No

***Our church commits to observing United Methodist Volunteers-in-Mission Awareness Sunday*** *on or about February 11, 2018.*  Yes  No

*(This is not a “special offering Sunday,” and your church is under no obligation to receive an offering, but V.I.M. is a conference advance special, and you may choose to receive an offering.)*

**Missionary Support:**

Yes *Our church commits to being a* ***Covenant Relationship Church*** *in 2018 with a Missionary or a Church and Community Worker commissioned by the General Board of Global Ministries of the United Methodist Church. A Covenant Relationship Church is one which pays in full its Fair Share of the Conference Missional Budget and pays $5 per member (or $2,500, whichever is less) to support a missionary or a church and community worker. A Covenant Relationship guarantees a visit by the missionary when possible and copies of letters and newsletters sent to the supporting church. You can find updated list at the Global Ministries website:* [*http://www.umcmission.org/Explore-Our-Work/Missionaries-in-Service/Search-Results?taxid=359*](http://www.umcmission.org/Explore-Our-Work/Missionaries-in-Service/Search-Results?taxid=359) *or contact Jeff Matheny, WV Conference Secretary of Global Ministries by email at* [jeff@pbo.bz](mailto:jeff@pbo.bz) *or phone 304-422-0578.*

Number of church members:

Missionary:        Amount of Commitment: $

Missionary:        Amount of Commitment: $

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**Other areas of mission you would like to share:**

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