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| Climate Emergency  What our Partners Desire   * Dignity and equality * Advocacy for the poorest * Care for creation * Respect for context and culture * Consultation, discernment, mutually supported review   As you develop your partnership, please remember that we live in an unprecedented environmental emergency. We need to cut our carbon footprint drastically  Please consider finding alternatives to carbon intensive flights and travel |  | For a copy of our Mission Team Partnership Document, contact  veronica.daniel@urc.org.uk  Global & Intercultural Ministries  020 7916 8654 / 020 7916 2020  kevin.snyman@urc.org.uk  https://urc.org.uk  find us on Facebook & Twitter |  | United Reformed Church  Synod Global Partnerships  Encouraging Synods and congregations to deepen their global partnerships |

How Partnership may

work in practice

* **Mutual prayer and support**
  + **Sharing prayer requests**
* **Meeting online**
* **Sharing through technology**
  + **Worship**
  + **Bible Studies**
  + **Children’s events**
  + **Choirs**
  + **Fellowship events**
  + **Share Website pages**
* **Exchange & learn**
  + **Recipes**
  + **Games**
  + **Songs, and more!**
* **Shared themes for worship, study and conversation, e.g., environment, special days or seasons, issues of local concern**
* **Exchange of people**

Why Global Partnerships?

The United Reformed Church affirms justice as the heart of God’s mission

Partnerships are motivated by God’s vision of a global community of peace, equity, love and justice

We acknowledge our complicity in systems that lead to oppression, poverty and environmental destruction

Partnerships help us to recognise, repent and “Come Out!” of these unjust systems

Together we journey towards God’s Fullness of Life, Walking the Way of Jesus

*Ephesians 1:6*

*In Christ the whole body – held in support by every ligament – grows and builds itself up in love as each part does its work*

Global Partnerships

The URC’s Mission Committee encourages all URC Synods to establish meaningful global partnerships

A Synod Global Partnership means a long-term, mutual relationship normally with a congregation abroad that belongs to The Council for World Mission or another ecumenical partner

Partnerships should be theme-based around justice issues: for example; environmental, socio-economic & political, gender or shared stories & history