

South Sumatra Partnership Description

The Presbytery of the West World Outreach Church Planting Team Partnership (hereafter called South Sumatra Partnership) has arisen out of the desire of presbytery churches to play a part in reaching every remaining Muslim people group. The South Sumatra Partnership believes that every resource needed to intentionally take a step in this direction exists, or will exist as God provides, within the churches God is calling to participate. The South Sumatra Partnership commits together to establish and support a team of cross-cultural church planters working among the unreached Muslim peoples surrounding LubukLinggau, South Sumatra, Indonesia (hereafter called the South Sumatra Team).

Partners

Members of the South Sumatra Partnership are churches who agree to the purpose and values of the South Sumatra Partnership and commit to supporting the Partnership in specific ways. The commitments are goals an individual church will work to accomplish in order to make the South Sumatra Partnership and South Sumatra Team successful. The goals are determined by each church's ability and burden for this project. The commitments are specified in the South Sumatra Partnership Agreement, signed by the person(s) responsible to carry them out at a particular church and should include commitments to financial support, participation in the South Sumatra Support team, and specific team development goals that will help build vision for the team and raise up team candidates.

Financial Support

The South Sumatra Partnership, through the support of its partners, will provide 50% of each South Sumatra Team member's financial support by collecting donations from church partners (and others) into the South Sumatra team account administered by the EPC World Outreach office. (The remaining 50% of team members' support will need to be raised by individual team members.)

Support Team

The South Sumatra Partnership will establish a South Sumatra Support Team made up of individuals from partner churches. The South Sumatra Support Team will maintain consistent communication with the South Sumatra Team and provide opportunities for partner churches and their members to support the team through prayer, visits, and other efforts. The South Sumatra Support Team will need to work together to ensure partner congregations feel connected to the field ministry and that the South Sumatra Team is cared for (good communication is key here) which will probably require regular meetings (in person and/or by phone). The South Sumatra Support Team should work to enable partner congregations to take direct involvement in field ministry through their understanding of field needs and goals.

Field Oversight

The South Sumatra Team Leader, in consultation with the World Outreach Field Director, will provide oversight of church planting strategy and ministry efforts, as well as day-to-day team activities. Help and suggestions from the South Sumatra Partnership will be welcomed. Team members will be subject to World Outreach and Team Leader approval and will be required to follow the approval and training process developed by the Team Leader, South Sumatra Support Team, World Outreach Field Director and EPC World Outreach Committee.

South Sumatra Partnership Agreement

The undersigned hereby covenants and agrees to participate in the South Sumatra Partnership (see the South Sumatra Partnership Description) in the following ways, trusting the Holy Spirit to provide the resources and wisdom we will need to be effective partners:

Support Team

We will provide one member of the South Sumatra Support Team at all times and two members of Support Team whenever possible. We will help the Support Team members to:

1. Communicate news from the South Sumatra Team to the congregation, and news from the congregation to the South Sumatra Team
2. Help our congregation pray regularly for the items suggested by the South Sumatra Support Team.
3. Provide assistance to Support Team initiatives (examples would be planning short-term trips, providing pastoral care for the South Sumatra Team, or providing support for a ministry project).

Financial Support

We will contribute \$(*number*) monthly to the South Sumatra Team account beginning (*month*), (*year*), which will be used to support team members, short term trips, and team ministry projects.

Vision Trips

We will send (*number*) members of our community on a vision trip to South Sumatra in the next 2 years.

Team Development

In addition to sending appropriate people on vision trips, we will help develop the South Sumatra Team by building vision for God's kingdom in the world and inviting people with appropriate faith, gifts, and desire to become candidates for the team member positions.

Other ways we will support the development and ministry of the South Sumatra team:

- Provide training opportunities for the CP team.
- Provide counseling, both pre-field and on the field.
- Provide member care, both pre-field, on field and during home service, by intentionally encouraging team members and meeting needs where possible.
- Inviting specific communities in our congregation adopt CP team members. These communities may include Sunday School classes, small groups, and other communities.
- Other: _____
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Annual Review

We will review our participation in the South Sumatra Partnership in (*month*) each year to check progress on our commitments and make goals/adjustments as needed.

[Signed by the designated person with the responsibility and authority to keep the above commitments.]

South Sumatra Projected Budget Needs

2010:

- First family on the field needs \$1000.00 per month and \$15,000.00 in one-time departure expenses.
- Preparing funds to be used to send Vision Trip participants in 2011 would encourage participation and smooth the process of moving people from interest to commitment. Vision trip cost per person is around \$2000.00.

2011:

The costs for this year will be the same as 2010, with increased need to help vision trip participants.

Future:

Estimated total support needs (based on numbers currently used in the region; these do not represent a World Outreach Terms of Call):

	Single	Couple	Family (5)
Monthly Support	2000.00	3500.00	5000.00
Departure Expenses	10000.00	15000.00	20000.00
First Year Need	34000.00	57000.00	80000.00
Annual Need (after 1st Year)	24000.00	42000.00	60000.00

Note that the South Sumatra Partnership is committing to provide 50% of the needs stated above.