

## STRUCTURE OF PARTNERSHIP WORK IN ASIA & AFRICA

### 1 Introduction:

Structures are important in the execution/implementation of partnership work. In our group we realize that to give expression to the principles of partnership Guidelines of mutuality, participation & spirituality, reliable structures should be in place. Structures are Key to in facilitating these principle. But partnerships are challenged when these principles are lacking, overlooked and or disregarded, this can negatively impact on the growth and development of partnerships.

### 2 Background & Analysis of the problems /New Ideas How to solve these Problems

- The lack of a contact person in some of the member churches
  - Member Churches are encouraged to have a committed contact person
- At Africa Regional Office level the lack an appointed Partnership Officer
  - Appoint a Partnership officer as a matter of urgency
- In Church and Regional conferences on an annual basis or regular intervals
  - Churches should see it as their responsibility to plan and implement these conferences for Africa and Asia regions. In-Church annual conferences

### 3 Action Plan

What is to be Done	Why	Responsible Persons	Timeline
Recruit & Appoint Africa Regional Partnership Officer	For Coordination of Partnership Work	Africa Department UEM Africa Regional Office	March 2013
Africa & Asia Reg. Office to Facilitate Sub-Regional Meetings for Capacity building: Africa: 1) ECD, NED, KAD & NWD 2) EPR, EAR & CBCA; 3) Cadelu, EEC & CDCC; 4) ELCB & ELCRN Asia: 1).GKI-TP, GKJW, GKJTU, GKPB; 2). MC-SL, CRC, UCCP; 3). GKPI, HKI, GBKP, HKBP, GKPM, GKPS, BNKP, GKPA,	Facilitating Capacity Building	Regional Offices	Annually: Within 1 year
Annual meeting for the contact persons of members	Coordination	Regional office & Member Churches	Annually: Within one (1) Year
Conducting in-Church Meetings / Conferences, Include: ➤ Volunteers ➤ UEM staff members ➤ Ecumenical Co-workers ➤ Visiting partnership groups	Exchange of Information and developments	Local Committees; Contact persons; Church leaders	Annually: Within one (1) Year
Appoint in Every church according to their ability either: 1) Appoint a salaried person if feasible 2) Assigned this responsibility of partnership work to an already existing position. 3) Or make use what is currently available in church, e.g., The Church Leader, but ensure continuity	To facilitate partnership work in the Church	Church Leaders; Regional Office	Within three (3) Years

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