

World Relief Committee Report to the BGM Nov. 2021 Meeting

During 2021 the WRC held two full committee meetings (June 29, & Sept. 20), and one subcommittee meeting on October 21st.

The meetings focused on monitoring the status of current donations with an eye toward prudent spending as giving rebounds to more normalized levels of 2019. These meetings also included discussions of a legacy gift from First Baptist Palo Alto, CA in the amount of \$500,000.

We reviewed at length the undesignated giving to OGHS which has fluctuated during pandemic times. September 2019 Year-to-Date Undesignated Giving totaled just under \$798,000. September 2020 Year-to-Date Undesignated Giving totaled \$569,862. As of September 2021, Year-to-Date Undesignated Giving is \$728,831. As you can see 2021 donations are down relative to 2019, though the current figure is far more encouraging than last year.

The subcommittee met to discuss proposals for the unrestricted legacy gift from Palo Alto, CA. This amount is not included in the current donation figure.

The WRC will meet on November 9, 2021 to consider \$300,000 in OGHS development grant applications from IM and \$200,000 in development, food and shelter, and immigration and refugee ministry requests from ABHMS. The committee will also conclude its deliberation about the use of the \$500,000 legacy gift from FBC Palo Alto

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