Reformed Episcopal Church Missionary Policy Statement

On Friday, October 1, 1999, in Exton, PA, the Taskforce met for their fourth meeting to examine our organization and ways in which we can improve our ministry in light of the Mission Statement adopted by our Church. The entire session was taken with discussion concerning the kinds of policies the Church should adopt in endorsing domestic and foreign missionaries. The following policy was presented to the General Committee on October 2, 1999, and was approved. It was revised at the April 27, 2012, Meeting of the Board of Foreign Missions

Policy Concerning Foreign and Domestic Missionaries

(Applies to Long-term and Short-term missionaries)

- 1. All Reformed Episcopal Missionaries shall be active communicant members of this church.
- 2. All Domestic and Foreign Missionaries must come under the authority and endorsement of a Diocese of the Reformed Episcopal Church.
 - A. Foreign Missionaries must be endorsed by the Board of Foreign Missions, with the Approval of the Council of Ordinaries. Endorsed Foreign Missionaries are entitled to solicit support from the whole church.
 - B. Domestic Missionaries must be endorsed and come under the authority of the Bishop and Standing Committee of the Diocese in which they live and serve; and may function and/or solicit support in another Diocese only if authorized by the Ordinary thereof.
- 3. All Missionaries shall regularly worship in a Reformed Episcopal Parish unless excused by the endorsing Bishop.
- 4. Periodic Diocesan evaluations shall be conducted for continued endorsement and made a part of the Annual Diocesan Reports.