



CHRISTIAN REFORMED
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COMMITTEE

CRWRC

Champion FAQ's

Q. How to I become a CRWRC Champion?

A. Complete the Champion Volunteer Profile and return to CRWRC attn: Renate Smits, 2850 Kalamazoo Ave, Grand Rapids MI 49560. Or fill out the online version at http://crwrc.org/pages/crwrc_champions.cfm.

Renate will then be in contact to answer any further questions you may have and talk more about this opportunity.

Q. How do I know if I am qualified to be a CRWRC Champion?

A. Are you passionate about helping the poor? Are you looking for a way to engage your congregation in issues such as justice, poverty, hunger, and disaster? Do you want to more fully understand global issues and sustainable development? If you answer yes, then you would be a great champion.

Q. What sort of activities can make up the minimum requirement of five hours a month?

A. A few ideas:

- Meet with council/missions committees to coordinate CRWRC opportunities found in the [CRWRC Opportunities Flyer](#). Some examples are:
 - World Hunger
 - EmbraceAIDS
 - Children's learning and giving projects
 - Support a CRWRC missionary
 - Encourage deacons to schedule annual offerings
 - Disaster Response Sunday, first Sunday in March
 - World Hunger Sunday, first Sunday in November
 - Thanksgiving Day
 - Christmas Day
 - Other important CRWRC dates noted for worship:
 - Embrace AIDS Sunday, May
 - World AIDS Day, December

Materials for designated Sundays can be found at www.crwrc.org/order

- Read staff newsletters at Fresh From the Field at www.crwrc.org
- Watch videos from the field at www.crwrc.org/videos
- Attend a local conference
- Attend a webinar
- Help arrange for a CRWRC staff to visit your church
- Visit www.crwrc.org to learn more about CRWRC and new opportunities

Q. What if I don't know how to connect with my church leadership?

A. If you have the passion, we can provide you with resources to help as you work with your church leadership.

Q. What sort of support materials will I receive from CRWRC church relations?

A. Training and resources include:

- Initial orientation
- Monthly E-News on upcoming opportunities for you and your congregation

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- Copies of the latest CRWRC brochures, resources, and promotional materials
- Champion website with additional resources and an avenue for you to respond to resources and share ideas
- Ongoing opportunities to learn more about sustainability, community development, disaster response, global issues, congregational engagement, etc.
- CRWRC staff support available by phone (800-552-7972) or email (kscholma@crwrc.org) M-F, 8-5pm EST

Q. What if I don't know how to use/don't have access to a computer/the Internet?

A. Access to the internet and email is required for this position. Please contact Renate Smits if you have questions or have limited access/familiarity with internet use.

Q. How is CRWRC different from other international relief and development organizations?

A. The difference between CRWRC and other international relief and development organizations is that CRWRC:

- Focuses all aspects of ministry and partnerships from a Christian standpoint.
- Strengthens and equips community and church leaders.
- Provides training and programs to help communities improve their own lives.
- Assesses needs before implementation.
- Repairs and rebuilds homes with community members.
- Provides emergency assistance after disasters.
- Offers opportunities to be God's hands and feet.
- Focuses on the assets of a community, not the short-comings.
- Empowers community members to reach their goals.
- Works with local Christian partners to ensure the sustainability of holistic programs including child and adult education, improved agriculture practices, disaster response, health care training, job creation, HIV/AIDS response, biblical justice, and more.