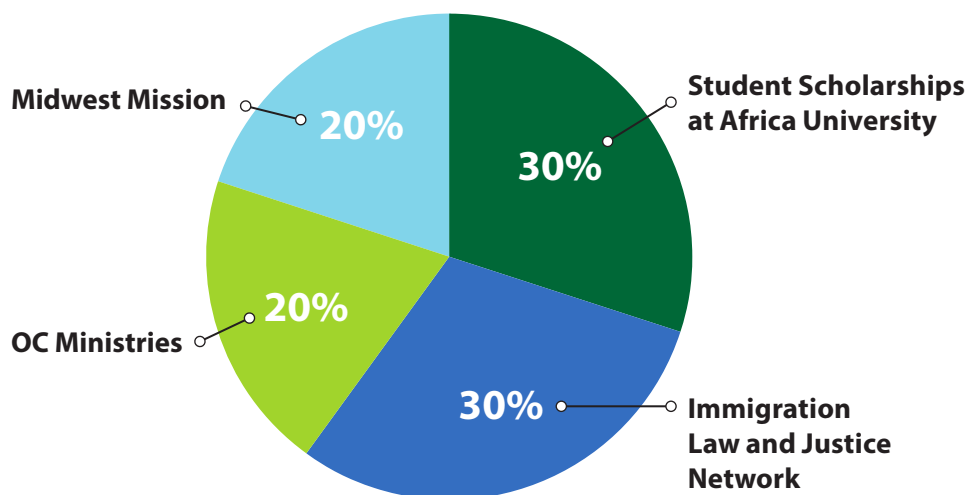


Where the Love Offering will go



How to support the Love Offering

Give to the offering through your church. Designate your offering as "Love Offering." If possible, please give before the 2025 Annual Conference Session, taking place June 11-13. Churches will then bring one check to Annual Conference. Thank you, in advance, for your generosity. Together we can help heal a broken world and put love into action for our neighbors across the globe!

Churches or individuals can also give electronically at <https://www.minnesotaumc.org/loveoffering>.



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2025 Love Offering



Each year, churches in the Minnesota Annual Conference take a Love Offering for missions.

The offering is brought to annual conference session—a gathering of United Methodist clergy and laity from across the state.

The theme of the 2025 Annual Conference session—which will take place June 11-13 at the River's Edge Convention Center in St. Cloud—is "Created for Love."

Our Love Offering this year will help us put love into action for our neighbors around the world.

The funds from this year's offering will go to Africa University, the Immigration Law and Justice Network, OC Ministries, and Midwest Mission. Read on to learn about these special organizations.

2024 Recap

Donations to the 2024 Love Offering totaled **\$142,963.40**, a 78 percent increase from the 2023 total! The funds went to a new trauma care center in Ukraine, immigration legal support in partnership with Volunteer Lawyer Network, special programming aimed at reducing trauma at Emma Norton Services' Restoring Waters facility, and Volunteers in Mission scholarships. Thank you for your generosity!

Student Scholarships at Africa University (30%)



Africa University, a United Methodist-related school in Zimbabwe, currently educates about 2,500 students from 24 African countries. Africa University is committed to increasing the number of students who enroll from all the countries of sub-Saharan Africa where The UMC is growing and in need of ethical and well-formed leaders. The best way to recruit promising students

from across Africa is to have more scholarship funds available. With your support, students are equipped to share the gospel of Jesus Christ, reduce hunger, improve public health, instill hope, and build prosperous and peaceful communities.

Immigration Law and Justice Network (30%)

Immigration Law and Justice Network (ILJ), an organization established by The United Methodist Committee on Relief, supports 19 sites across



the country, each providing immigrants with urgently needed immigration legal services, advocacy, and education. ILJ Network envisions a nation where every immigrant has access to justice in an anti-racist immigration system that honors the dignity of all people. Financial support from the Love Offering is critical at this moment, and every dollar will make a difference to immigrants seeking access to justice.



OC Ministries (20%)

OC Ministries, a Minnesota Conference Advance Special that's celebrating its 35th anniversary, supports schools, medical clinics, churches, agriculture projects, vision clinics, curriculum writing, and student scholarships in developing countries, all to inclusively minister to the bodies, minds, and souls of children and their families. OC Ministries partners with United Methodists across the world, including the Richard Ormsby Secondary School in Baiwalla, Sierra Leone; the Egypt Project avocado farm that supports Methodist ministries in Jamaica; a guesthouse in Liberia; and the La Saline Clinic in Port au Prince, Haiti. Your support fulfills children's practical needs, ensuring they have access to food, education, and a nurturing environment to thrive.



Midwest Mission (20%)

Midwest Mission, a depot in the UMCOR relief supply network, brings people together to transform resources into humanitarian relief so that people's lives are changed for the better, alleviating them from poverty and crisis. Disaster relief, health, education, and micro business supplies are given freely through trusted partner nonprofits internationally and in the United States. This is thanks to countless volunteers and donors—the backbone of Midwest Mission—who work hard to show God's love in a practical way. This includes more than 133 donors and 50 volunteers who came to Midwest Mission from Minnesota in 2024 alone! This year, Midwest Mission is celebrating 25 years of making a difference.

