

# **PROPOSED COVENANT AGREEMENT**

**November 11, 2003**

*It is moved that the Presbytery of Lake Michigan establish the following Partnership Covenant with the Ho East Presbytery of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, Ghana:*

The great ends of the church are the proclamation of the gospel for the salvation of humankind; the shelter, nurture, and spiritual fellowship of the children of God; the maintenance of divine worship; the preservation of the truth; the promotion of social righteousness; the exhibition of the Kingdom of Heaven to the world.

In response to our calling to be faithful followers of Christ, we establish this Partnership Covenant between the Presbytery of Lake Michigan of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), and the Ho East Presbytery of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, Ghana, so that we may:

1. Get to know each other as brothers and sisters in Christ, to learn each other's stories and traditions, and to bond with each other in compassion and trust.
2. Plan exchanges of groups representing our presbyteries and congregations.
3. Explore opportunities for outreach and develop joint mission projects.
4. Tell the story within our presbyteries and to our congregations.
5. Encourage new congregation-to-congregation partnerships.
6. Share expertise in education, health issues, and economic development.

This Partnership Covenant shall be for a period of five years, beginning with the approval of both presbyteries. It shall be reviewed and evaluated for renewal at 5-year intervals.