


(π252) The Outreach function focuses on Ministries beyond the four walls of the church building - what we do for those who don't come to the church. Outreach is three-fold: Ministries of compassion involve a congregation in addressing the immediate needs of individuals, families, and communities. The congregation may respond to local community needs and provide food, clothing, emergency housing, counseling, and employment opportunities. Community ministries of concern and advocacy call for a congregation's involvement in the enrichment of community life. The church should be an advocate for justice-



related changes in their community related to welfare, housing, drug abuse, education, economic development, health, and other community concerns/issues. Regional, national, and global outreach ministries call a congregation to engage in the structures and values of society by moving toward justice and righteousness in public policies. This should include human rights, land use and control, the environment, peace, and the world's economic systems. The congregation should give support and participate in the denomination's mission projects and programs.



Outreach

*"I tell you the truth,
whatever you did
for one of
the least of these
brothers of mine,
you did for me."*

Matthew 25: 40