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**global communications**

**With the use of communications technologies, United Methodist Communications is** helping to support and grow the church globally.

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Collaborating with church leaders in the Central Conferences to align our ministries, United Methodist Communications is implementing modern-day communication solutions that expand the church’s reach.

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The Relationship Team worked closely with church leaders to engage in partnerships, nurture relationships, assess existing needs and increase awareness of services provided by United Methodist Communications. We identified equipment and training needs for South Africa, Burundi and South Congo for radio and television evangelization and began an initial exploration of ministry opportunities in Senegal and Cameroon.

The Global Communication Technology Team met in Cape Town to work together on strategy and attend the AfricaCom conference.

The team worked diligently to continue providing internet [connectivity](https://www.resourceumc.org/en/content/celebrating-global-connectivity) to episcopal offices across Africa and began laying the groundwork to make this program sustainable. Working with the United Methodist Radio Network, we continued to build capacity and prepare for a potential shift to the United Methodist Broadcast Network.

As a result of training and outreach over the last few years to help people better understand how to use [UMConnect](https://umconnect.umcom.org/) effectively, utilization of the platform experienced a high degree of organic growth in 2022.

The addition of several new contractors will aid efforts in mapping 923 local churches in the Philippines, Democratic Republic of Congo and Cote d'Ivoire. For the first time, we also have a field project manager in the Africa Central Conference. She started laying the groundwork for exciting projects such as a communications mentorship program.

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