

I was blessed by the opportunity to represent the Florida Conference as part of a six-member team that visited Angola Africa in April of 2006. The purpose of our visit was to strengthen and advance the personal relationships between the peoples of the East Angola Conference and the Florida Conference of The United Methodist Church. These personal relationships are intended to under gird the Partnership between the two conferences, which is centered in dialogue between equals toward identifying opportunities to help one another.



The most profound realization this visit was admiration for Their personal relationship and their depth of faith was 27 years of civil war and naster, their personal material non-existent. Their sustain-solely in their faith and de-Grace of God; yet, they confident in their future.



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I strongly encourage the people of the Florida Conference to participate in furthering this partnership by doing the following:

1. Give generously to the offerings that are collected at the Annual Conference Event that are used to support the financial needs of the people of the East Angola Conference.

Participate in the partnering between local churches in the Florida Conference with sister churches in the East Angola Conference.



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