

Impact of the PCUSA Interim Unified Agency's decision to Eliminate all Mission Co-worker Positions and Begin a New Model of Global Connections

Will Frontera de Cristo close?

Absolutely not. Frontera de Cristo is a non-profit organization independent of the PCUSA Interim Unified Agency.

Frontera de Cristo is a dynamic ministry that is expanding its ministry in 2025 in multiple ways including: expanding from 4 children's enrichment sites to 5; expanding its Love Mercy, Do Justice Ministry to more hospitality centers; beginning a music and art ministry for children and families of the children's enrichment ministry.

How will FDCs staffing change?

PCUSA will no longer be sending Miriam and Mark as Mission Co-workers to serve with Frontera de Cristo as of March 24. Mark currently serves as one of FDC's coordinators and Miriam serves as permaculture instructor and liaison with DouglaPrieta Trabaja and is a vital member of FDC's mission delegation facilitator team.

The rest of Frontera de Cristo's staff will continue serving with FDC.

What will FDC do to address the loss of two staff positions in a time of expansion of its ministry?

The board of Frontera de Cristo has expressed their desire to find a way for Miriam and Mark to continue serving with them. Both Miriam and Mark have a strong sense of call to continue in the ministry with FDC.

FDC was already 5 weeks into its yearly budget when notified of the loss of the Mission Co-workers serving with us. They had not contemplated including funding for these two positions in this year's budget. The PCUSA is providing Miriam and Mark with a severance package during the transition period, and Miriam and Mark are volunteering with FDC while the board seeks to determine whether they can sustainably add two positions to its budget.

The board is working on developing a capital campaign. [Email us](#) if you would like to receive more information once it comes available.

How Can You Help?

1) Pray

- In gratitude for the 40 years of partnership between PCUSA and Frontera de Cristo.
- For wisdom and peace for FDC, our partners, Mark and Miriam, and the IUA in this time of transition.
- For the future of the relationship of FDC and the IUA of the PCUSA.

2) Ministry of Hospitality

Join us in continuing to choose the gospel value of welcome here on the border and in your local communities. Even as we grapple with the impacts of decisions from above on us as an organization, we need to continue accompanying vulnerable populations and reminding the world of God's love for all and especially for the stranger, the hungry, the thirsty, the children and those excluded by society.

3) Donate