

# Western PA's Leah Swineford commissioned as UMC Global Missionary

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**Leah Swineford**, a member of **Bakerstown United Methodist Church** in Western Pennsylvania's Pittsburgh District, joined 22 other global missionaries and global mission fellows on January 26 in Jinga, Uganda, as they were commissioned in a blessing and sending forth into mission service.

"The Spirit was clearly at work within this community of newly commissioned missionaries," said Leah as she recalled her time in Uganda. "For me, though, the service held special significance. We as a group were asked to share a song at the beginning of the service. The song that was chosen was 'Here I am, Lord'. This hymn has always been one of my favorites and one that the Spirit has used more than once to convict me and call me."



Leah will be serving as teacher for Deaf and Hard of Hearing schoolchildren at **Nyadire Mission Center** in Zimbabwe (photo above), a ministry about which she is passionate.

For the full story, see the link below:

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