

Missions



Becoming more of a Mission Minded Church

Keys for being a part of God's All
Peoples Missionary Purposes

- **Mk 16:15** “He said to them, “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation.”
- **Rom 5:8** “But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.”

- **1 Tim 2:3-4** “This is good, and pleases God our Savior, who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth.”
- **Is 45:22** “Turn to me and be saved, all you ends of the earth; for I am God, and there is no other.”

- **Rev 5:9** “And they sang a new song, saying:
"You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased for God persons from every tribe and language and people and nation.”
- **Mt 24:14** “And this gospel of the Kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.”

- **Rev 11:15** “The seventh angel sounded his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, which said: “The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Messiah, and he will reign for ever and ever.”

- **Phil 2:9-11** “Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.”

- **2 Cor 5:20** “We are therefore Christ’s ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ’s behalf: Be reconciled to God.”
- **Acts 1:8** “But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

- **Mt 28:18-20** “Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

Keys for being a more Mission Minded Church

- 1) Embrace God's heart for World Missions

- **Mt 9:35-36** “Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.”

- **Mt 23:37** “Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you who kill the prophets and stone those sent to you, how often I have longed to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, and you were not willing.”
- **Jn 3:16** “For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.”

- 2) See the fields are ripe for harvest!
- **Jn 4:35** “Don't you have a saying, 'It's still four months until harvest'? I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest.”

- **Ps 126:5-6** “Those who sow with tears will reap with songs of joy. Those who go out weeping, carrying seed to sow, will return with songs of joy, carrying sheaves with them.”

- 3) Mobilize people and resources for the unfinished task

MISSIONS *update*

- 100 AD- 360 unbelievers for every 1 believer
- 1000 AD- 220 1 believer
- 1500 AD- 69 1 believer
- 1900 AD- 27 1 believer
- 2000 AD- 7 1 believer

MISSIONS *update*

- 100 AD- 1 bible believing church for 12 UPGs
- 1000 AD- 1 1 UPG
- 1500 AD- 4 1 UPG
- 1900 AD- 10 1 UPG
- 1980 AD- 162 1 UPG
- 2000 AD- 580 1 UPG

- **Mt 9:37-38** “Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.”

- 4) Be committed to release missionaries-church workers and support them
- **Rom 10:14-15** “How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

- 5) Develop strategies to help the church grow in missions
- 6) Be committed to finishing the task

- **Jn 4:34** “My food,” said Jesus, “is to do the will of him who sent me and to finish his work.”
- **Jn 5:36** “I have testimony weightier than that of John. For the works that the Father has given me to finish--the very works that I am doing--testify that the Father has sent me.”

- **Acts 20:24** “However, I consider my life worth nothing to me; my only aim is to finish the race and complete the task the Lord Jesus has given me--the task of testifying to the good news of God's grace.”
- **2 Tim 4:7** “I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.”

- 7) Believe God for a new release of pioneer missionaries
- **Rom 15:20-21** “It has always been my ambition to preach the gospel where Christ was not known, so that I would not be building on someone else's foundation. Rather, as it is written: “Those who were not told about him will see, and those who have not heard will understand.”

7 Areas of Influence

- 1) Family
- 2) Government
- 3) Economics- Science & Technology and Business
- 4) Religion
- 5) Education
- 6) Media- Communication
- 7) Celebration- Arts, Entertainment & Sports

- **2 Cor 10:15-16** “Neither do we go beyond our limits by boasting of work done by others. Our hope is that, as your faith continues to grow, our sphere of activity among you will greatly expand, so that we can preach the gospel in the regions beyond you. For we do not want to boast about work already done in someone else's territory.”
- **Ps 2:8** “Ask me, and I will make the nations your inheritance, the ends of the earth your possession.”

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- **Phil 3:13-14** “Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.”