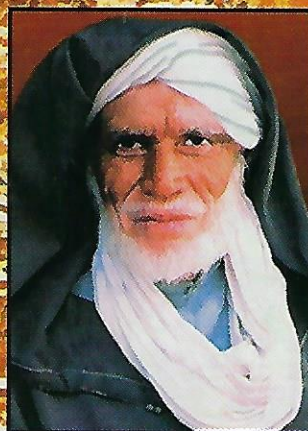
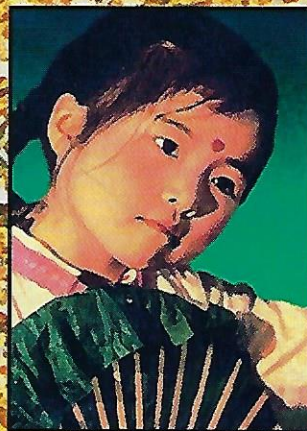
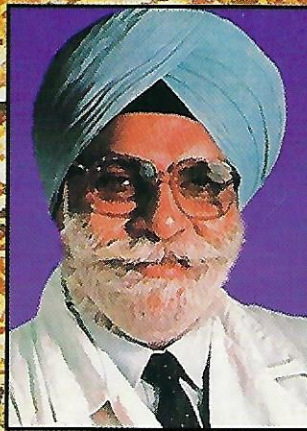
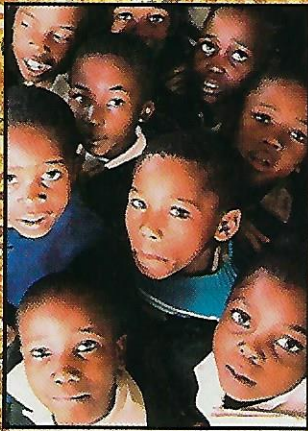


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Several words summarize the common commitment of many people involved in the national and global initiatives related to the AD 2000 & Beyond Movement. The first word is "mobilization", referring to the awakening of the church in every country of the world to find their place in the task of national and world evangelization. The second is "empowerment" which underscores the fact that the Lord has provided not only technological tools but mainly his own Spirit, to empower his people in the task of evangelization. The third is "penetration" which suggests the targeting of spiritual ministry primarily on the unfinished task of planting the church where there is none and proclaiming the gospel to every person. The fourth word is "compassion" which reflects the concern for the whole person and the need to minister as servants. The fifth is "collaboration" which expresses the need to network and to work together to share Christ's love. The sixth, "intensification," underscores the urgency of the hour as we move to the milestone date, AD 2000. The seventh is "fulfillment." It expresses the conviction that, yes, it is possible to bring the gospel to all people by the year 2000.

Dr. Bong Rin Ro, general secretary of the World Evangelical Fellowship Theological Commission and coordinator of the theological issues track, emphasized that AD 2000 is a "grass-roots networking structure." Dr. Bill Taylor, general secretary of the WEF Missions Commission, calls it a "grass-roots movement, a network of networks, a fusion of visions." Dr. Peter Wagner, professor at Fuller Seminary School of World Missions notes: "We are all controlled from the bottom up rather than from the top down." Phill Butler of Interdev observes that the AD 2000 & Beyond Movement has a "...focus on catalyzing, mobilizing, multiplying resources, thru networks." The intention of the movement, as stated in the general purpose statement, is to "encourage cooperation among existing churches, movements, and structures to work together toward this vision."

Why is the 10/40 Window a primary focus?

The strongest focus of the AD 2000 & Beyond Movement is on the 10/40 Window, the termed coined for the area of the world between 10 degrees and 40 degrees North latitude, which stretches from North Africa and southern Spain to Japan and northern Philippines. This is not to say that AD 2000 & Beyond Movement is unconcerned about the rest of the world. Its ultimate vision is that none should perish in any part of the world.

However, there are compelling reasons why committed Christians need to focus on the Window. The first is because of the historical and biblical significance of this part of the world. The entire account of the Old Testament deals with lands inside this area. Secondly, most of the least evangelized people and countries of the world are here. In fact, 97% of the people living in the fifty five least evangelical countries are in the 10/40 Window.

A third reason Christians need to focus on the Window is because this is where the three main religious blocks, Islam, Hinduism and Buddhism, are located. Adherents to the Islamic religion are growing. Yet it is reported that many Moslems who, having studied the Koran in great depth, have discovered that the highest prophet described in the Koran is Jesus Christ and not Mohammed. We must pray that the eyes and the hearts of the Moslems will be opened to recognize that the Christ of the Koran is the Son of God, who died for the sins of mankind and rose again for our salvation.

The Muslim block makes up 22% of the 3.14 billion people living in the Window, the Hindu block comprises 23% of this area's population, and the Buddhist block totals 5%. A fourth reason to focus our attention on the 10/40 Window is because the poor are there. There is a remarkable overlap between the fifty poorest countries of the world and the least evangelized countries of the world. In fact, 79% of the people who are poorest are also among the least evangelized. And when you relate them to the 10/40 Window, you discover that 99% of these least evangelized poor —2.3 billion people—live in the 10/40 Window. **Only 6% of the missionary force now works among this 44% of the world's population.** This certainly makes up the greatest challenge of this decade for the committed Christian!

The fifth reason to focus on the 10/40 Window relates to "quality of life". One way of measuring the quality of life is to combine three variables: life expectancy, infant mortality, and literacy. When the world's fifty countries with the lowest quality of life are identified and mapped, the overlap with the countries in the 10/40 Window is evident.

A sixth reason to focus on the 10/40 Window is because it is a stronghold of Satan. As the Christian presence has expanded around the world, it appears that those people living in the 10/40 Window have suffered not only hunger and a low quality of life compared to the rest of humanity, but have also been kept from the transforming, life giving, community changing power of the Gospel. Evidently Satan has established a territorial stronghold with his forces to restrain the advance of the Gospel in this area. If we are to advance into this territory in a significant way, we will need to put on the full armor of God, secure our borders, and fight with the weapons described by the Apostle Paul in 2 Cor. 10:3: "For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. The weapons we fight with are not weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds."

Work going on in other places of the world is certainly important, and should not be curtailed. Rather, we need to increase our efforts to reach those who live in the Window. If we are to be faithful to Scripture and obedient to the mandate of Christ to see a mission-minded church planting movement established within every unreached people, so that all peoples might have a valid opportunity to experience the love, truth, and

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What are the characteristics of the AD 2000 & Beyond Movement?

1. **Faith Expectation** in the Captain of the Host to lead the advance of the Gospel and enable His people to fulfill faith goals country by country, region by region, by affinity groups and networks, by denominations and Christian organizations by AD 2000.
2. **Freeing up** of God's people to be the kind of people that God has called them to be and to do the kind of things in God's will that they have dreamed of doing, whether this be the leadership in a country or affinity interest groups individual.
3. **Focus** on the least evangelized peoples, cities, and countries, with a particular emphasis on the 10/40 Window.
4. **Fierce** spiritual warfare through a growing prayer army linked in heart, mind and purpose around the world.
5. **Formation** of global networks to catalyze different areas of world evangelization.
6. **Fostering** of country-wide initiatives to evangelize the unevangelized and reach the unreached by AD 2000.
7. **Flexible** leadership style that allows for the work of the Holy Spirit.
8. **Fun** and joy in serving the Lord in fellowship with other servants of the Lord who share the same vision.
9. **Finish** the task that the Lord has committed to His followers.

What about the national AD 2000 initiatives?

In his commentary on the Lausanne Covenant John Stott notes, "Unless the whole church is mobilized, the whole world is not likely to be reached." Hong Kong, the Philippines, Taiwan, Canada, Costa Rica, Nigeria, Bangladesh, Ghana, Zaire and India are just some of the growing number of national plans with goals set on the year 2000 in which God's people are beginning to mobilize for a decade of harvest. Up to December 31, 1991 interdenominational Christian leaders in over 65 countries around the world have held AD 2000 vision meetings or AD 2000 consultations. The expectation is that the number of countries will grow in the years leading up to 1995.

What are the some of the basic assumptions of the national AD 2000 Initiatives?

First, prayer is central to any AD 2000 national movement since essentially this is a spiritual movement. In fact, the Holy Spirit is at work around the world today involving country after country and region after region in a major initiative moving leaders to develop goals and work together toward the year 2000.

Second, the initiative and perspective of a national AD 2000 movement comes from the national leaders. Typically, informed by the global process, national Christian leaders take the initiative to set their own goals focused on the year 2000. The form and focus that the movement takes depends on the perspective of the national leaders.

Third, vision sharing comes through consultation. The sharing of vision takes place as God's people gather to share what God is doing around the world in regional or national

consultations involving Christian leaders from the nations. They include the perspective of the various elements of the body of Christ such as that of the pastor, denominational leader, Christian organizational leader, training Institution leader, women, young people, lay people.

Fourth, the national AD 2000 plans are responsive to the calling of Scripture as well as to the political, economic, social and religious realities of that country. The national AD 2000 plans that emerge are responsive to the biblical mandate, the political, economic and social realities of the country and the unreached. For example, the Hong Kong 2000 plan calls for city, country and world evangelization by AD 2000 and emphasizes the importance of suffering in the context of the 1997 take over of Hong Kong by China. Global and national realities such as the continued indebtedness of the two-thirds world, growing poverty and the shifting balance of economic power from the west to the eastern perimeter countries are being factored into the plans.

Fifth, the centrality of the local church as the primary instrument of God for world evangelization is being emphasized in many countries.

Sixth, cross-cultural evangelism to the unreached is being underscored. The focus on the unreached is both national and global. In the global focus, the important question to answer is where can Christian missionaries from one country best become involved in world evangelization outside of the country.

Seventh, among the objectives of many national plans the goal frequently relates to church planting. seeking to establish a church planting movement in every village and every colony of every town and city so that Christ can be incarnated through his body within access of every person on earth.

How does the national AD 2000 plan and task force become established?

As Christian leaders see the year 2000 approaching and realize the powerful movement of the Holy Spirit in awakening the Church around the world to participate in a decade of evangelization in the nineties, they work through existing structures or, in some cases, form an AD 2000 Ad Hoc Steering Committee of representative Christian leaders.

The purpose of regional or national Ad Hoc Steering Committees is to bring Christian leaders together within a country to develop and implement mobilization strategies for evangelization at the national, regional and global level.

At the AD 2000 national consultation, the participants express their resolution as it relates to the role of the Church within the country in national and world evangelization movements, and typically to name an AD 2000 national task force to formulate and catalyze their national plan.

How do the Global Networks (Tracks) function within the AD 2000 & Beyond Movement?

Jesus Christ is not only the Master but also the Master Multiplier. When you stop to consider that almost 2000 years ago he began with but twelve followers and today there are estimated to be more than 1.8 billion who claim to be his followers, it is abundantly

clear that the process of discipleship he followed in his brief three year ministry worked. In his ministry of discipleship you can observe at least six basic steps of development of a committed disciple with a vision to reach the world. These same six are the steps that outline the process of involvement in the AD 2000 vision by network. They are identification, selection, recruitment, communication or association, mutual discipleship, and challenge. Through interest network and within the general purpose of the AD 2000 & Beyond Movement there is a global multiplier effect that can be observed in the following chart.

Each of the ten tracks by design stands as a semi-autonomous unit with the respective chairperson and coordinators responsible for the organization, personnel, style, funding, and activities of their track aimed at the overall objectives of the movement. The expected result is the presentation of the gospel to every person in every nation and people group and the establishment of a church planting movement in every country and people group by the year 2000.

During the meeting of the global track leaders held in December 1991, it became clear that the AD 2000 & Beyond Movement is not just one more worldwide structure. Rather, each track is charged with mobilizing the existing forces for evangelism and uniting them, not organizationally, but in prayer, in mutual respect, in interpersonal relationships, and in support of one another through sharing ideas and resources, to avoid overlap and competition.

Perhaps as much or more than in previous decades, the Christian community is understanding and desiring to use spiritual weapons in world evangelization, realizing collectively, as many individuals have in the past, that the real battle for world evangelization is a spiritual battle. The United Prayer Track led by Peter Wagner seeks to mobilize existing prayer networks worldwide to direct a significant part of their prayer ministry toward the unevangelized with special focus on the 2000 unreached people groups under 2% Christian, the 1000 least evangelized cities and the 10/40 Window.

Jim Montgomery, coordinator of the Saturation Church Planting Track and director of DAWN Ministries, declares "The most pragmatic way to reach every people is to see that group saturated with churches." The Cities Track has a burden for the least evangelized cities and especially for the urban poor, who will reach 850 million slum dwellers by the year 2000, according to Viv Grigg, track coordinator.

The Unreached Peoples Track is focusing on the 2000 least evangelized peoples, most of which are located in the 10/40 Window. Track coordinator, John Robb of MARC believes 2000 profiles on the least evangelized will be ready by June 1992. The profiles will be a tremendous tool as the Local Church Track, coordinated by John Richard and chaired by Roger Forster, mobilizes local churches worldwide for aggressive missionary outreach.

Other tracks are dealing with the how-tos. The Radio Track (Task Force) with World by 2000 has begun to coordinate the activities of the major international broadcasters. The Women's Track encourages the recognition of the roles women have had and will increasingly have in fulfilling the Great Commission. The Mobilizing New Missionaries Track is exploring ways of challenging the Christian World to double the number of

missionaries in the next ten years. This track is chaired by George Verwer of OM and coordinated by Pari Rickard of YWAM.

The Saturation Evangelism Track, coordinated by Paul Eshleman of the Jesus Project and chaired by Victor Koh of New Life 2000 seeks to identify, select and recruit coordinators for evangelism and small group leadership development for 5000 separate geographic areas of one million people.

Gathering and communicating information on what God has been doing and the challenge yet remaining is important. The Research Mobilization Track is catalyzing national level research efforts, and is pulling together large numbers of worldwide national and international research agencies.

What is the function of the two task forces that focus on the unfinished task?

A variety of historical perspectives on assessing the unfinished task are represented within the tracks of the AD 2000 & Beyond Movement. Pains have been taken to incorporate the different perspectives and allow for a clear, measurable set of criteria and facts to record and assess the progress of the cause of Christ around the world. One of the task forces, The Assessment Task Force, chaired by Clark Scanlon of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and coordinated by Pete Holzmann purposes, in a spirit of servanthood, under the Lordship of Christ to assess the advance of the gospel and the establishment of a mission-minded church planting movement within every unreached people and least evangelized city and country, and to communicate the results in a relevant manner to the body of Christ worldwide. For peoples and cities an attempt will be made to assess both response to the gospel through the establishment of viable churches and to exposure of the gospel factors.

In the Great Commission Manifesto the call to partnership was clear: "We see afresh that cooperation and partnership are absolute necessities ..." The second task force seeks to facilitate the formation of a working partnership for each of the 2000 major unreached people groups by the year 2000 through the education of church and mission leaders, through the training of a partnership coordinator for each of these initiatives and through providing on-going resourcing of these partnership coordinators.

A mid-decade assessment of the progress of reaching the unreached will be made at the Global Consultation on World Evangelization by the Year 2000 & Beyond (GCOWE '94).

Why another large global conference?

In a meeting of some 40 AD 2000 & Beyond Movement leaders in December 1991, GCOWE '94 came under heavy analysis. Many leaders questioned the wisdom and necessity of yet another expensive global congress, particularly in the light of current economic conditions in the world.

But after several hours of frank and open debate, consensus emerged that GCOWE was an essential event in the AD 2000 process particularly as the church worldwide is encouraged to participate. Churches around the world will be mobilized in "A Day of Prayer to Change the World," and a global "March for Jesus" culminating on the final day of the congress.

Food for the Hungry president, Ted Yamamori feels strongly that "this mid-flow event will give direction to what takes place after the congress." The church will have the benefit of seeing what God is doing in the whole world and be able to evaluate accomplishments and correct overlap. Phill Butler of Interdev summarized the spirit of the discussion: "Things happen in larger meetings that don't happen in smaller ones."

GCOWE is seen as a catalytic process and event for global mission leaders to assess the progress of reaching the unreached and to create a global, regional and national synergism which will impact upon the vision of world evangelization.

GCOWE is planned for Seoul, Korea from June 15-25, 1994. Plans are underway for a prayer rally involving at least one million Christians at the close of the meeting. And these Christians will join some 25 million Christians on the streets of the world on June 25, declaring the Lordship of Christ over their cities and nations in every capital city of the world, plus hundreds of other cities, each beginning at 2:00 p.m.

How does the AD 2000 & Beyond Movement relate to World Evangelical Fellowship and the Lausanne Committee and Movement (Lausanne)?

In the December 1991 meeting of the global track leaders, most of whom are already involved in their own programs related to the evangelization of the world, they came to the conclusion that AD 2000 has a unique focus using the target date as a driving force for mobilizing and energizing the church for evangelism.

What about Lausanne and AD 2000?

In May 1991 the international directors of both movements met for several hours to clarify the relationship between the movements they represented. In a document prepared from these meetings the following clarification was made:

"The Lausanne Movement (Lausanne) and the AD 2000 & Beyond Movement (AD 2000) share the common commitment to world evangelization. It is the conviction of the leaders that they are complementary to one another."

These movements could be compared to a fast flowing river, with Lausanne representing the broad flow and the AD 2000 Movement a hot current within it. Another comparison is to that of the Babushka dolls of Russia in which one Babushka doll is within the other. Lausanne is like the larger doll within which is the smaller doll of AD 2000.

Lausanne has contributed significantly to the birth of the AD 2000 Movement. The Manila Congress devoted major time to developing the AD 2000 vision. Thomas Wang, the founder and chairman of the AD 2000 Movement was the international director of Lausanne and the Manila congress director.

The vision of AD 2000 was first presented to the Lausanne executive committee during the planning prior to the Manila Congress. However, the committee felt strongly it should continue with its current plans which were broader than AD 2000 and were already well established. Consequently, AD 2000 developed into a separate movement. Those committed to the AD 2000 vision made the decision to unite and become a movement during the Manila Congress. Most of the AD 2000 tracks are a continuation of the Lausanne II tracks. The AD 2000 Movement builds on the thinking of Lausanne in

several important ways. The description of the remaining task of world evangelization by focusing on the unreached peoples was introduced to the world in Lausanne I in 1974 and has been fostered and developed within Lausanne ever since. It was articulated in the Manila Manifesto under the section entitled AD 2000 and Beyond... "The AD 2000 & Beyond Movement has adopted the Lausanne Covenant as its philosophical statement."

What about WEF and AD2000?

When women leaders for WEF, Lausanne and AD 2000 met they pictured the movement as trains. The WEF and Lausanne trains have a broader itinerary, stopping at many stations along the way, while AD 2000 resembles an express train—but all are heading for the same destination.

The AD 2000 & Beyond Movement works closely with WEF. AD 2000 is an associate member of WEF. It has adopted the WEF doctrinal statement as its statement of faith. The international director of WEF is also a member of the International Board of AD 2000. The international associate director for the Global Conference on World Evangelization by AD 2000 (GCOWE) to be held in 1994 is also the chairman of the Church Renewal Commission of WEF. The leaders of the Cross-cultural Training Track, the Mobilization of Youth Track and the Theological Issues Track of AD 2000 are also leading those commissions for WEF. The Chairperson of the AD 2000 Women's Track serves on the Women's Commission of WEF.

How should we conclude?

We believe that a growing focus on goal setting and cooperative implementation toward the year 2000 by national and regional task forces around the world has been called forth by God for a special purpose, to meet a special need, in a special period. Evidently in country after country there is a stirring of concern to become involved in a significant advance of the gospel by the year 2000.

The Movement is characterized by a high level of faith and optimism. While there is no mention of "closure," as if the task would be over in the year 2001, there is a strong affirmation that by then a spiritual harvest of enormous proportions would have been gathered. Patrick Johnstone said it well when he told a group in December 1991 that as he gathered data for his new edition of Operation World (due in 1993), at times he became overwhelmed even to the point of skepticism by the awesome new signs of the power of God and the worldwide spread of the gospel.

A questionnaire called Vision 2000 has been circulated among Christian mission leaders in one country posing the question regarding involvement in world missions as we approach the year 2000. "What can we do to cooperate with the Lord to see the Church mobilized in 200 countries or more to reach the world by the year 2000 and beyond?" Perhaps this is a question we should all be wrestling with.

What about the AD2000 & Beyond Handbook ?

This handbook represents perspectives by leaders of AD 2000 regional and national evangelization initiatives. It is the product of dialogue and interchange of principles and models from many national movements since 1984. It grew out of a meeting with

national and regional leaders to hear what is going on in the different countries at GCOWE, January 1989; Lausanne II in July 1989 in a meeting with the national chairpersons; written consultation with some 350 leaders around the world; and after careful review of the preliminary draft over a period of a year by many of those involved in the task of world evangelization.

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(Numbers 13:30, 1 Samuel 30:23-24, Habakkuk 1:5, 2:14, Psalms 67:1-7, Matthew 18:18, 24:14, 28:19-20; Philippians 2:2, Revelation 7:9-10).

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The AD 2000 & Beyond Movement shares the vision and communicates what the Holy Spirit is doing through the body of Christ throughout the world. The two key verbs are "motivate" and "network". The two main avenues of sharing the vision are through "national consultations" and "common interest groups." The scope of the vision is to see

an AD 2000 spiritual initiative in 200 countries around the world. The primary focus of the vision is the resistant belt between ten to forty degrees north of the equator from West Africa to East Asia, called the 10/40 Window, where the vast majority of unreached are located.

Several words summarize the common commitment of many people involved in the national and global initiatives related to the AD 2000 & Beyond Movement. The first word is "mobilization", referring to the awakening of the church in every country of the world to find their place in the task of national and world evangelization. The second is "empowerment" which underscores the fact that the Lord has provided not only technological tools but mainly his own Spirit, to empower his people in the task of evangelization. The third is "penetration" which suggests the targeting of spiritual ministry primarily on the unfinished task of planting the church where there is none and proclaiming the gospel to every person. The fourth word is "compassion" which reflects the concern for the whole person and the need to minister as servants. The fifth is "collaboration" which expresses the need to network and to work together to share Christ's love. The sixth, "intensification," underscores the urgency of the hour as we move to the milestone date, AD 2000. The seventh is "fulfillment." It expresses the conviction that, yes, it is possible to bring the gospel to all people by the year 2000.

Dr. Bong Rin Ro, general secretary of the World Evangelical Fellowship Theological Commission and coordinator of the theological issues track, emphasized that AD 2000 is a "grass-roots networking structure." Dr. Bill Taylor, general secretary of the WEF Missions Commission, calls it a "grass-roots movement, a network of networks, a fusion of visions." Dr. Peter Wagner, professor at Fuller Seminary School of World Missions notes: "We are all controlled from the bottom up rather than from the top down." Phill Butler of Interdev observes that the AD 2000 & Beyond Movement has a "...focus on catalyzing, mobilizing, multiplying resources, thru networks." The intention of the movement, as stated in the general purpose statement, is to "encourage cooperation among existing churches, movements, and structures to work together toward this vision."

Why is the 10/40 Window a primary focus?

The strongest focus of the AD 2000 & Beyond Movement is on the 10/40 Window, the term coined for the area of the world between 10 degrees and 40 degrees North latitude, which stretches from North Africa and southern Spain to Japan and northern Philippines. This is not to say that AD 2000 & Beyond Movement is unconcerned about the rest of the world. Its ultimate vision is that none should perish in any part of the world.

However, there are compelling reasons why committed Christians need to focus on the Window. The first is because of the historical and biblical significance of this part of the world. The entire account of the Old Testament deals with lands inside this area. Secondly, most of the least evangelized people and countries of the world are here. In fact, 97% of the people living in the fifty five least evangelical countries are in the 10/40 Window.

A third reason Christians need to focus on the Window is because this is where the three main religious blocks, Islam, Hinduism and Buddhism, are located. Adherents to the Islamic religion are growing. Yet it is reported that many Moslems who, having studied the Koran in great depth, have discovered that the highest prophet described in the Koran is Jesus Christ and not Mohammed. We must pray that the eyes and the hearts of the Moslems will be opened to recognize that the Christ of the Koran is the Son of God, who died for the sins of mankind and rose again for our salvation.

The Muslim block makes up 22% of the 3.14 million people living in the Window, the Hindu block comprises 23% of this area's population, and the Buddhist block totals 5%. A fourth reason to focus our attention on the 10/40 Window is because the poor are there. There is a remarkable overlap between the fifty poorest countries of the world and the least evangelized countries of the world. In fact, 79% of the people who are poorest are also among the least evangelized. And when you relate them to the 10/40 Window, you discover that 99% of these least evangelized poor —2.3 billion people—live in the 10/40 Window. **Only 6% of the missionary force now works among this 44% of the world's population.** This certainly makes up the greatest challenge of this decade for the committed Christian!

The fifth reason to focus on the 10/40 Window relates to "quality of life". One way of measuring the quality of life is to combine three variables: life expectancy, infant mortality, and literacy. When the world's fifty countries with the lowest quality of life are identified and mapped, the overlap with the countries in the 10/40 Window is evident.

A sixth reason to focus on the 10/40 Window is because it is a stronghold of Satan. As the Christian presence has expanded around the world, it appears that those people living in the 10/40 Window have suffered not only hunger and a low quality of life compared to the rest of humanity, but have also been kept from the transforming, life giving, community changing power of the Gospel. Evidently Satan has established a territorial stronghold with his forces to restrain the advance of the Gospel in this area. If we are to advance into this territory in a significant way, we will need to put on the full armor of God, secure our borders, and fight with the weapons described by the Apostle Paul in 2 Cor. 10:3: "For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. The weapons we fight with are not weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds."

Work going on in other places of the world is certainly important, and should not be curtailed. Rather, we need to increase our efforts to reach those who live in the Window. If we are to be faithful to Scripture and obedient to the mandate of Christ to see a mission-minded church planting movement established within every unreached people, so that all peoples might have a valid opportunity to experience the love, truth, and saving power of Jesus Christ, we must get to the core of the unreached: The 10/40 Window.

The Poor, The Least Evangelized & The 10/40 Window

99% of the least evangelized poorest of the poor are here.

What are the characteristics of the AD 2000 & Beyond Movement?

1. **Faith Expectation** in the Captain of the Host to lead the advance of the Gospel and enable His people to fulfill faith goals country by country, region by region, by affinity groups and networks, by denominations and Christian organizations by AD 2000.
2. **Freeing up** of God's people to be the kind of people that God has called them to be and to do the kind of things in God's will that they have dreamed of doing, whether this be the leadership in a country or affinity interest groups individual.
3. **Focus** on the least evangelized peoples, cities, and countries, with a particular emphasis on the 10/40 Window.
4. **Fierce** spiritual warfare through a growing prayer army linked in heart, mind and purpose around the world.
5. **Formation** of global networks to catalyze different areas of world evangelization.
6. **Fostering** of country-wide initiatives to evangelize the unevangelized and reach the unreached by AD 2000.
7. **Flexible** leadership style that allows for the work of the Holy Spirit.
8. **Fun** and joy in serving the Lord in fellowship with other servants of the Lord who share the same vision.
9. **Finish** the task that the Lord has committed to His followers.

What about the national AD 2000 initiatives?

In his commentary on the Lausanne Covenant John Stott notes, "Unless the whole church is mobilized, the whole world is not likely to be reached." Hong Kong, the Philippines, Taiwan, Canada, Costa Rica, Nigeria, Bangladesh, Ghana, Zaire and India are just some of the growing number of national plans with goals set on the year 2000 in which God's people are beginning to mobilize for a decade of harvest. Up to December 31, 1991 interdenominational Christian leaders in over 65 countries around the world have held AD 2000 vision meetings or AD 2000 consultations. The expectation is that the number of countries will grow in the years leading up to 1995.

What are the some of the basic assumptions of the national AD 2000 Initiatives?

First, prayer is central to any AD 2000 national movement since essentially this is a spiritual movement. In fact, the Holy Spirit is at work around the world today involving country after country and region after region in a major initiative moving leaders to develop goals and work together toward the year 2000.

Second, the initiative and perspective of a national AD 2000 movement comes from the national leaders. Typically, informed by the global process, national Christian leaders take the initiative to set their own goals focused on the year 2000. The form and focus that the movement takes depends on the perspective of the national leaders.

Third, vision sharing comes through consultation. The sharing of vision takes place as God's people gather to share what God is doing around the world in regional or national consultations involving Christian leaders from the nations. They include the perspective of the various elements of the body of Christ such as that of the pastor, denominational leader, Christian organizational leader, training Institution leader, women, young people, lay people.

Fourth, the national AD 2000 plans are responsive to the calling of Scripture as well as to the political, economic, social and religious realities of that country. The national AD

2000 plans that emerge are responsive to the biblical mandate, the political, economic and social realities of the country and the unreached. For example, the Hong Kong 2000 plan calls for city, country and world evangelization by AD 2000 and emphasizes the importance of suffering in the context of the 1997 take over of Hong Kong by China. Global and national realities such as the continued indebtedness of the two-thirds world, growing poverty and the shifting balance of economic power from the west to the eastern perimeter countries are being factored into the plans.

Fifth, the centrality of the local church as the primary instrument of God for world evangelization is being emphasized in many countries.

Sixth, cross-cultural evangelism to the unreached is being underscored. The focus on the unreached is both national and global. In the global focus, the important question to answer is where can Christian missionaries from one country best become involved in world evangelization outside of the country.

Seventh, among the objectives of many national plans the goal frequently relates to church planting. seeking to establish a church planting movement in every village and every colony of every town and city so that Christ can be incarnated through his body within access of every person on earth.

How does the national AD 2000 plan and task force become established?

As Christian leaders see the year 2000 approaching and realize the powerful movement of the Holy Spirit in awakening the Church around the world to participate in a decade of evangelization in the nineties, they work through existing structures or, in some cases, form an AD 2000 Ad Hoc Steering Committee of representative Christian leaders.

The purpose of regional or national Ad Hoc Steering Committees is to bring Christian leaders together within a country to develop and implement mobilization strategies for evangelization at the national, regional and global level.

At the AD 2000 national consultation, the participants express their resolution as it relates to the role of the Church within the country in national and world evangelization movements, and typically to name an AD 2000 national task force to formulate and catalyze their national plan.

How do the Global Networks (Tracks) function within the AD 2000 & Beyond Movement?

Jesus Christ is not only the Master but also the Master Multiplier. When you stop to consider that almost 2000 years ago he began with but twelve followers and today there are estimated to be more than 1.8 billion who claim to be his followers, it is abundantly clear that the process of discipleship he followed in his brief three year ministry worked. In his ministry of discipleship you can observe at least six basic steps of development of a committed disciple with a vision to reach the world. These same six are the steps that outline the process of involvement in the AD 2000 vision by network. They are identification, selection, recruitment, communication or association, mutual discipleship, and challenge. Through interest network and within the general purpose of the AD 2000

& Beyond Movement there is a global multiplier effect that can be observed in the following chart.

Each of the ten tracks by design stands as a semi-autonomous unit with the respective chairperson and coordinators responsible for the organization, personnel, style, funding, and activities of their track aimed at the overall objectives of the movement. The expected result is the presentation of the gospel to every person in every nation and people group and the establishment of a church planting movement in every country and people group by the year 2000.

During the meeting of the global track leaders held in December 1991, it became clear that the AD 2000 & Beyond Movement is not just one more worldwide structure. Rather, each track is charged with mobilizing the existing forces for evangelism and uniting them, not organizationally, but in prayer, in mutual respect, in interpersonal relationships, and in support of one another through sharing ideas and resources, to avoid overlap and competition.

Perhaps as much or more than in previous decades, the Christian community is understanding and desiring to use spiritual weapons in world evangelization, realizing collectively, as many individuals have in the past, that the real battle for world evangelization is a spiritual battle. The United Prayer Track led by Peter Wagner seeks to mobilize existing prayer networks worldwide to direct a significant part of their prayer ministry toward the unevangelized with special focus on the 2000 unreached people groups under 2% Christian, the 1000 least evangelized cities and the 10/40 Window.

Jim Montgomery, coordinator of the Saturation Church Planting Track and director of DAWN Ministries, declares "The most pragmatic way to reach every people is to see that group saturated with churches." The Cities Track has a burden for the least evangelized cities and especially for the urban poor, who will reach 850 million slum dwellers by the year 2000, according to Viv Grigg, track coordinator.

The Unreached Peoples Track is focusing on the 2000 least evangelized peoples, most of which are located in the 10/40 Window. Track coordinator, John Robb of MARC believes 2000 profiles on the least evangelized will be ready by June 1992. The profiles will be a tremendous tool as the Local Church Track, coordinated by John Richard and chaired by Roger Forster, mobilizes local churches worldwide for aggressive missionary outreach.

Other tracks are dealing with the how-tos. The Radio Track (Task Force) with World by 2000 has begun to coordinate the activities of the major international broadcasters. The Women's Track encourages the recognition of the roles women have had and will increasingly have in fulfilling the Great Commission. The Mobilizing New Missionaries Track is exploring ways of challenging the Christian World to double the number of missionaries in the next ten years. This track is chaired by George Verwer of OM and coordinated by Pari Rickard of YWAM.

The Saturation Evangelism Track, coordinated by Paul Eshleman of the Jesus Project and chaired by Victor Koh of New Life 2000 seeks to identify, select and recruit coordinators for evangelism and small group leadership development for 5000 separate geographic areas of one million people.

Gathering and communicating information on what God has been doing and the challenge yet remaining is important. The Research Mobilization Track is catalyzing national level research efforts, and is pulling together large numbers of worldwide national and international research agencies.

What is the function of the two task forces that focus on the unfinished task?

A variety of historical perspectives on assessing the unfinished task are represented within the tracks of the AD 2000 & Beyond Movement. Pains have been taken to incorporate the different perspectives and allow for a clear, measurable set of criteria and facts to record and assess the progress of the cause of Christ around the world. One of the task forces, The Assessment Task Force, chaired by Clark Scanlon of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and coordinated by Pete Holzmann purposes, in a spirit of servanthood, under the Lordship of Christ to assess the advance of the gospel and the establishment of a mission-minded church planting movement within every unreached people and least evangelized city and country, and to communicate the results in a relevant manner to the body of Christ worldwide. For peoples and cities an attempt will be made to assess both response to the gospel through the establishment of viable churches and to exposure of the gospel factors.

In the Great Commission Manifesto the call to partnership was clear: "We see afresh that cooperation and partnership are absolute necessities ..." The second task force seeks to facilitate the formation of a working partnership for each of the 2000 major unreached people groups by the year 2000 through the education of church and mission leaders, through the training of a partnership coordinator for each of these initiatives and through providing on-going resourcing of these partnership coordinators.

A mid-decade assessment of the progress of reaching the unreached will be made at the Global Consultation on World Evangelization by the Year 2000 & Beyond (GCOWE '94).

Why another large global conference?

In a meeting of some 40 AD 2000 & Beyond Movement leaders in December 1991, GCOWE '94 came under heavy analysis. Many leaders questioned the wisdom and necessity of yet another expensive global congress, particularly in the light of current economic conditions in the world.

But after several hours of frank and open debate, consensus emerged that GCOWE was an essential event in the AD 2000 process particularly as the church worldwide is encouraged to participate. Churches around the world will be mobilized in "A Day of Prayer to Change the World," and a global "March for Jesus" culminating on the final day of the congress.

Food for the Hungry president, Ted Yamamori feels strongly that "this mid-flow event will give direction to what takes place after the congress." The church will have the benefit of seeing what God is doing in the whole world and be able to evaluate accomplishments and correct overlap. Phill Butler of Interdev summarized the spirit of the discussion: "Things happen in larger meetings that don't happen in smaller ones."

GCOWE is seen as a catalytic process and event for global mission leaders to assess the progress of reaching the unreached and to create a global, regional and national synergism which will impact upon the vision of world evangelization.

GCOWE is planned for Seoul, Korea from June 15-25, 1994. Plans are underway for a prayer rally involving at least one million Christians at the close of the meeting. And these Christians will join some 25 million Christians on the streets of the world on June 25, declaring the Lordship of Christ over their cities and nations in every capital city of the world, plus hundreds of other cities, each beginning at 2:00 p.m.

How does the AD 2000 & Beyond Movement relate to World Evangelical Fellowship and the Lausanne Committee and Movement (Lausanne)?

In the December 1991 meeting of the global track leaders, most of whom are already involved in their own programs related to the evangelization of the world, they came to the conclusion that AD 2000 has a unique focus using the target date as a driving force for mobilizing and energizing the church for evangelism.

What about Lausanne and AD 2000?

In May 1991 the international directors of both movements met for several hours to clarify the relationship between the movements they represented. In a document prepared from these meetings the following clarification was made:

"The Lausanne Movement (Lausanne) and the AD 2000 & Beyond Movement (AD 2000) share the common commitment to world evangelization. It is the conviction of the leaders that they are complementary to one another."

These movements could be compared to a fast flowing river, with Lausanne representing the broad flow and the AD 2000 Movement a hot current within it. Another comparison is to that of the Babushka dolls of Russia in which one Babushka doll is within the other. Lausanne is like the larger doll within which is the smaller doll of AD 2000.

Lausanne has contributed significantly to the birth of the AD 2000 Movement. The Manila Congress devoted major time to developing the AD 2000 vision. Thomas Wang, the founder and chairman of the AD 2000 Movement was the international director of Lausanne and the Manila congress director.

The vision of AD 2000 was first presented to the Lausanne executive committee during the planning prior to the Manila Congress. However, the committee felt strongly it should continue with its current plans which were broader than AD 2000 and were already well established. Consequently, AD 2000 developed into a separate movement. Those committed to the AD 2000 vision made the decision to unite and become a movement during the Manila Congress. Most of the AD 2000 tracks are a continuation of the Lausanne II tracks. The AD 2000 Movement builds on the thinking of Lausanne in several important ways. The description of the remaining task of world evangelization by focusing on the unreached peoples was introduced to the world in Lausanne I in 1974 and has been fostered and developed within Lausanne ever since. It was articulated in the Manila Manifesto under the section entitled AD 2000 and Beyond... "The AD 2000 & Beyond Movement has adopted the Lausanne Covenant as its philosophical statement."

What about WEF and AD2000?

When women leaders for WEF, Lausanne and AD 2000 met they pictured the movement as trains. The WEF and Lausanne trains have a broader itinerary, stopping at many stations along the way, while AD 2000 resembles an express train—but all are heading for the same destination.

The AD 2000 & Beyond Movement works closely with WEF. AD 2000 is an associate member of WEF. It has adopted the WEF doctrinal statement as its statement of faith. The international director of WEF is also a member of the International Board of AD 2000. The international associate director for the Global Conference on World Evangelization by AD 2000 (GCOWE) to be held in 1994 is also the chairman of the Church Renewal Commission of WEF. The leaders of the Cross-cultural Training Track, the Mobilization of Youth Track and the Theological Issues Track of AD 2000 are also leading those commissions for WEF. The Chairperson of the AD 2000 Women's Track serves on the Women's Commission of WEF.

How should we conclude?

We believe that a growing focus on goal setting and cooperative implementation toward the year 2000 by national and regional task forces around the world has been called forth by God for a special purpose, to meet a special need, in a special period. Evidently in country after country there is a stirring of concern to become involved in a significant advance of the gospel by the year 2000.

The Movement is characterized by a high level of faith and optimism. While there is no mention of "closure," as if the task would be over in the year 2001, there is a strong affirmation that by then a spiritual harvest of enormous proportions would have been gathered. Patrick Johnstone said it well when he told a group in December 1991 that as he gathered data for his new edition of *Operation World* (due in 1993), at times he became overwhelmed even to the point of skepticism by the awesome new signs of the power of God and the worldwide spread of the gospel.

A questionnaire called *Vision 2000* has been circulated among Christian mission leaders in one country posing the question regarding involvement in world missions as we approach the year 2000. "What can we do to cooperate with the Lord to see the Church mobilized in 200 countries or more to reach the world by the year 2000 and beyond?" Perhaps this is a question we should all be wrestling with.

What about the AD2000 & Beyond Handbook ?

This handbook represents perspectives by leaders of AD 2000 regional and national evangelization initiatives. It is the product of dialogue and interchange of principles and models from many national movements since 1984. It grew out of a meeting with national and regional leaders to hear what is going on in the different countries at GCOWE, January 1989; Lausanne II in July 1989 in a meeting with the national chairpersons; written consultation with some 350 leaders around the world; and after

careful review of the preliminary draft over a period of a year by many of those involved in the task of world evangelization.

The purpose of this document is to stimulate discussion, the exercise of faith, and action among God's people who share the vision of establishing a church for every people and the proclamation the gospel to every person by the year 2000. All indications point to the fact that an AD 2000 vision, which until recently was as small as a mustard seed, now promises to grow into a large tree. The challenge is whether we can water this tree so it will bear much fruit. In reading through the initiative of the last century to evangelize the world by the year 1900, I have been greatly challenged in my spirit by the words of D.L. Moody when he wrote "An Appeal to Disciples Everywhere."

"The command of our ascended Lord, the voice of an enlightened conscience, the impulse of the new nature, the leading of the providential pillar, the working of transforming grace, the grandeur of the opportunity and the peril of delay—all these converge like rays in one burning focus, urging us onward and forward to the outposts of civilization and the limits of human habitation with the Word of life." **"It can be done, it ought to be done, it must be done."**

(Numbers 13:30, 1 Samuel 30:23-24, Habakkuk 1:5, 2:14, Psalms 67:1-7, Matthew 18:18, 24:14, 28:19-20; Philippians 2:2, Revelation 7:9-10).

-AD 2000 & Beyond Movement Basic Assumptions

- *A commitment to the spirit and content of the Great Commission Manifesto produced at the Global Consultation for World Evangelization by the year 2000 & Beyond in Singapore in January 1989 (see Appendix D).
- *A commitment to the Lausanne Covenant and the WEF Statement of Faith.
- *The realization that when the whole church is mobilized, there is a much greater probability that the whole world will be reached.
- *Because of its explosive growth throughout the Two-Thirds World in this century, the church is positioned for a major evangelistic thrust in the 90's. Those best equipped to reach a people/nation are the Christians from that group.
- *A commitment to proclaim the Gospel to all people by the year 2000.
- *A commitment to establish a mission-minded church planting movement within every unreached people and city by the year 2000.
- *A need to network Christian leaders with the same vision for world evangelization by AD 2000.
- *A commitment to enhance and strengthen existing movements and organizational structures.

Vision

A church for every people and the Gospel for every person by AD 2000.

Purpose

In a spirit of servanthood, the AD 2000 & Beyond Movement seeks to encourage, motivate and network men and women church leaders by inspiring them with the vision of reaching the unreached by the year 2000 through consultations, prayer efforts and written materials.

The intention is to encourage cooperation among existing churches, movements and structures to work together towards this same vision.

The expected result is the establishment of a mission-minded church planting movement within every unreached and unevangelized people and city by AD 2000 so that all peoples might have a valid opportunity to experience the love, truth and saving power of Jesus Christ in fellowship with other believers.

Vision & Purpose Explanatory Notes

The vision statement expresses the vision to make the Gospel available to every person in the world in a language they can understand and to see a saturation church planting movement established in every country of the world by AD 2000 that has the goal of seeing Christ become incarnate in the life of a vital congregation within access of every person in every community of every city, town, and village for every group of people and every class, kind and condition of mankind.

The understanding of terms in the purpose statement is based upon the definitions and facts presented in the Manila Manifesto, under the heading 11 at the Lausanne II Conference in Manila in July 1989. Unreached refers to those approximately two billion people who are not within reach of Christians among their own people and do not yet have a vital, indigenous church movement. People refers to the larger ethno-linguistic groups, estimated to be 2000 among which there are an estimated 12,000 smaller peoples.

Further research coordinated through the Adopt-a-People Clearing House indicates that there are some 6000 groups. These groups, as well as the 1000 least evangelized cities and the 55 least evangelized countries, are the primary population segments this Movement is seeking to reach. Most of these people are living in the 10/40 Window.

We would echo the spirit and words of the final paragraph under the eleventh affirmation of the Manila Manifesto.

"The year 2000 has become a challenging milestone. We commit ourselves to evangelize the world during the last decade of this millennium."

Prayerful Outcomes

Many groups within the body of Christ, individually and in cooperation with other ethnic or national entities, are setting their own year 2000 goals for world evangelization. Potentially, millions of Christians would work and pray with a common focus towards the turn of the century.

As Christians work through separate but cooperative programs, it is hoped that the body of Christ would realize these outcomes:

- *Mobilization of united prayer efforts in every country of the world. Engagement in cooperative ministry efforts to reach the 6000 unreached and adoptable peoples.
- *Revitalization of the church leaders for lay mobilization and church renewal.
- *Establishment of an evangelical congregation within easy access of every person in the world.
- *Penetration and evangelization of the unevangelized world by creative missionary methods, such as non-residential missionaries, tent-makers, international returnees and sports evangelism.
- *Equipping of key leadership in every country to develop and implement an effective cross-cultural missionary training program.
- *Establishment of permanent national missiological research functions in every country of the world.
- *Assessment of the progress of evangelization among the 2000 unreached peoples of under 2% Christian and the 10/40 Window world.
- *Engagement in cooperative ministry efforts to reach the 2000 unreached peoples (less than 2% Christian).
- *Provision of a valid opportunity for every person to hear the Gospel in a language they can understand.
- *Establishment of a church planting movement within every unreached people group and city in the country/region.
- *Development of the innate and spiritual gifts of God's people everywhere, and, in particular, women and young people for world evangelization.

(Isaiah 54:1-3, Luke 10:1, John 17:20-23, Acts 19:9-10, Romans 1:5 & 15:15-24, 1 Thessalonians 1:7-8)

Conclusion

We believe God is speaking to the body of Christ in this last decade. He is doing so to unite us in purpose and intent, in order to complete the task of reaching all the peoples of the world by the year 2000. With Christ at the head of the body, the AD

2000 and Beyond Movement prayerfully seeks to be guided by the Spirit to serve the church worldwide through encouraging, motivating and networking the many members so that we may better function as a body to reach the unreached by the year 2000.

Purpose of the AD 2000 & Beyond Handbook

The purpose of this handbook is to stimulate vision, faith and discussion among God's people everywhere and, especially, members of the regional and national planning committee meetings as plans are made toward the year 2000. As we enter the decade of the 90's, all indications point to the fact that an AD 2000 vision, which until recently was as small as a mustard seed, now promises to grow into a large tree. The challenge is whether we can water this tree so it will bear much fruit.

Regional or National Ad Hoc Steering Committee

The purpose of regional or national ad hoc steering committees is to bring Christian leaders together within a country to develop and implement mobilization strategies for evangelization at national, regional and global levels. Where there is an existing national committee or structure which shares these concerns, there is no need to create a new national committee.

National Consultations

Assumptions Related to National Consultations

- *The presence of Christian leaders in every country of the world who are committed to the fulfillment of the Great Commission, who desire fellowship and need to network with those outside of their country who share that same vision.
- *A commitment to strengthen existing national movements that are based on faith goals for AD 2000, and recognition of a need to design viable strategies for all interest groups to work together.
- *The necessity to foster and nurture a viable AD 2000 movement where there is none, in whatever way possible—but particularly, through the process of national consultation.

Key Components of Consultations

- *A declaration of the biblical mandate.
- *An analysis of the context of the church in that country—from a political, historical, economic, social, and religious standpoint, as well as the status of the church.
- *A study of the unreached within and outside of the country, considering particularly those places that the national church can most effectively and feasibly reach.
- *A presentation of proven strategies and models considered as effective strategies.
- *The establishment of faith goals with the year 2000 as a target date.

Key Questions for the Consultations

- *What is the Great Commission saying to us?
- *What does the Great Commandment say to us?
- *How did the Gospel get to the country and how did it spread?
- *What is the country profile in the following areas: political, economic, social and religious?
- *What are the key issues facing the church?
- *Who and where are the unreached people and cities?
- *Who and where are the unreached people, outside the country, to which the church in this country could send missionaries?
- *Who and where are the harvesters?
- *How do we train those harvesters?

Sample Sessions of Consultations

Formation of a National or Regional Task Force - Purpose

To mobilize the body of Christ in the nation or region to complete the unfinished task of evangelization in their own country/region, and make a contribution to world evangelization by AD 2000 and Beyond.

To mobilize...

The sense in which this term is used here is "to make movable," as in "the doctor mobilized the patient's stiff elbow joint." The act of mobilization refers to any event or process by which God keeps His people renewed, moving and growing as they discover and fulfill their role in world evangelization. Scripture is filled with biblical images of leaders "mobilizing" the church to fulfill the Great Commission (II Corinthians 10:15-16, Ephesians 4:11-16).

The unfinished task...

Special emphasis is placed on the unfinished task of world evangelization, whether that ministry be seen in terms of restricted access countries, large cities, or unreached peoples groups (Matthew 28:18-20, Romans 15:15-24).

To world evangelization...

Evangelization is used here in the sense of the Greek word "evangelizo." The Gospel writers used this term, "to evangelize," in a much more inclusive and wide-ranging way than is usually done today. In using this term, they clearly meant that Jesus "proclaimed the good news." Scripture affirms that individuals who have not received Christ are dead in their trespasses and sins, and need to be invited to trust Christ as their Savior and Lord. While evangelism involves the proclamation of Christ with a view to persuading people to come to Him personally and be reconciled to God, the results of evangelism include obedience to Christ, responsible membership in the church, and fruitful service in the world (II Corinthians 5:11,20; Mark 10:43-45).

The scope of the regional/national vision is world evangelization, not simply parish or urban evangelization, or even evangelization of the country or region, or merely personal witness. Each country, each church and each mission carry out evangelization both locally and globally (Acts 11:19-21, 13:1-5).

By AD 2000 and beyond...

In light of the significance of the year 2000, this movement emphasizes the importance of calling Christians to world evangelization, both as we approach and as we enter the 21st century. Although no eschatological importance is attached to the year 2000, this milestone is intended to serve as a focal point for evangelization plans, and as a time of transition into a new century of world evangelization.

National and Regional AD 2000 Evangelization Movements

Principles related to AD 2000 National Movements

Consultation—National Christian leaders assume the posture of listening to other national leaders within their countries, and not arbitrarily set goals for world evangelization on their behalf. This usually involves bringing a variety of leaders together for working consultations or short retreats.

Goal Setting—Countries forming AD 2000 task forces consider what part they can play in the global unfinished task of world evangelization. They set their own goals for world evangelization, globally and locally in light of AD 2000. Goals are biblical, strategic and measurable and reflect the methods and models that have emerged from the context of the national church.

Cooperation—Each national task force on AD 2000 does its work in such a way that breaks down the barriers between organizations and denominations in that country. The task of world evangelization by the year 2000 is too great for any single denomination or organization to adopt on its own.

Research—Each national AD 2000 task force typically studies its own context and determines how to best mobilize its resources for world evangelization. Task forces on the national level link up with regional and global research groups which can provide strategic information about the unfinished task of evangelization.

Program—The national strategies often reflect the corporate gifting of the church. Programs typically call for renewal, evangelism, church planting and world missions.

Participation—World evangelization by the year 2000 will require the commitment of denominational leaders, parachurch executives, mission agency leaders and theological educators. In addition, the training and participation of church leaders, pastors, young people, women, and lay people are a necessity.

Sample Goals

An AD 2000 regional/national task force is not normally the executor of every plan and program, but rather the promoter of a common goal and vision among Christian leaders. Each confession, denomination, and mission, as well as national, regional or continental leaders, respond to the goal of world evangelization by AD 2000 on the basis of their own charismas, call and character (Philippians 1:27-28). Some typical goals of an AD 2000 regional/national task force are the following:

*Undergird the participants' AD 2000 vision through a concerted, extraordinary emphasis on personal and corporate prayer.

*Research to shed light on the harvest field and the harvest force.

*Develop and implement AD 2000 evangelization strategies which are well thought out and interconnected at the local, denominational, national, regional, continental, confessional, and global level.

*Encourage leaders of churches, denominations and agencies to set biblical, measurable and strategic AD 2000 goals for evangelization, in the light of the unfinished task of world evangelization.

*Form partnerships with other AD 2000 programs, for the purpose of reflecting the corporate giftedness of the worldwide body of Christ.

*Compile a document reflecting the regional/national perspective on suggestions and advice to existing mission efforts in that region, and future potential efforts, so as to improve the cooperative effort of expatriates and national Christians in working out their common vision.

*Prepare a list of expatriate resources needed (personnel, expertise, financial) to accomplish the goals of the regional/national plans.

*Find practical ways to exalt the Lord Jesus Christ through drama, mass media, processions, etc. In a real sense, Jesus Christ is the true goal of an AD 2000 movement. He must be preeminent. All prayers or plans and task forces should point toward Him. The year 2000 is a sign on the highway of life for all humanity to see, marking His advent, death, resurrection and ascension, as Lord over all.

Listing of Regions

Some introductory notes

Countries—The table lists distinct countries as of mid-1990. It covers both sovereign states and nonsovereign dependencies, which include colonies and territories that are not an integral part of the parent country. In mid-1990 there were 137 countries with over one million people; 188 countries with over 100,000, and 230 countries with over 1,000 people.

Sources—The information on the countries was obtained from the *World Christian Encyclopedia* by David Barrett, and *Our Globe and How to Reach It*, by David B. Barrett and Todd M. Johnson, who in turn consulted with the United Nation's "Terminological Bulletin and Vital Statistics" report. Patrick Johnstone, author of *Operation World*, was also consulted.

Total Count—For the sake of planning for the mobilization of national AD 2000 Movements and GCOWE '95, only those countries with a resident population in excess of 5,000 people were included. These 221 countries are divided into the following 12 regions:

Part III: Global Resource Networks (Tracks)

Assumptions Related to Global Resource Networks

AD 2000 Global Resource Network chairpersons and coordinators will keep the overall purpose statement in the forefront of all verbal and written communications in the interest group global resource network.

AD 2000 Global Resource Network chairpersons and coordinators will seek ways that their own interest groups can contribute to the accomplishment of the overall AD 2000 purpose.

The AD 2000 Global Resource Network is typically an enhancement of existing networks.

AD 2000 depends on God through prayer for the supply of needed finances to provide travel subsidies for Two-Thirds World participants to key resource network and planning meetings.

Global Resource Network coordinators trust God for funding for all other resource network related activities.

Purposes of Resource Networks

Network church leaders for an intensified effort of world evangelization by AD 2000.

Intensify, galvanize and accelerate vision for world evangelization within that interest group.

Stimulate the vision of a particular Global Resource Network as it interfaces with the purpose of the AD 2000 & Beyond Movement.

Encourage cooperative relationships with existing movements, networks and structures that result in coordinated efforts to evangelize unreached peoples and urban centers.

Foster concentrated, prevailing prayer against the obstacles for world evangelization.

***Criteria for Selection of
Global Resource Network
Representatives***

Credibility—Recognized by the national leaders and respected by the different segments of the church and in good standing in his or her immediate Christian community.

Experience—A responsible Christian leader who is recognized in the interest area of the resource network.

Bridge builder—Prepared to build bridges between independent and established evangelical churches in the nation.

Spiritual maturity—Above reproach in his or her testimony; approved by church leadership in the country.

Team player—Works well with others. Can comfortably interact with others who might disagree with him or her while maintaining mutual respect.

Organizational support—Has the support and organizational structure to develop resource networks within the country.

A person of faith—Prepared to trust God for finances to travel nationally and internationally.

Ability to communicate in one of the international languages. English will be the primary language used, although there will be translation into the official United Nations languages at GCOWE '95 (i.e. English, French, Russian, Spanish, Cantonese and Korean).

Resource Network Chairpersons and Coordinators

Mobilization of United Prayer Resource Network

Chairman: Kim Joon-Gon (Campus Crusade for Christ)

Coordinator: Peter Wagner (Global Harvest International)

Co-Coordinator: George Otis, Jr. (Sentinel Group)

Executive Director: Doris Wagner (Global Harvest International)

Introduction

"It is becoming clear that the real battle for world evangelization is a spiritual battle. The weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for the tearing down of strongholds. As we learn together how to enter into strategic level intercession, the completion of the Great Commission will be ever so much nearer."— C. Peter Wagner.

"The next ten years is a time of spiritual emergency. It is a time of opportunity. The Lord Jesus has the keys to open what no one can shut. I believe in the next ten years, history's greatest revival will take place in our area."—Kim Joon Gon.

[Insert G. Otis Jr quote here...]

Fullness and fulfillment are the undergirding themes for this kind of prayer movement.

Purpose

The purpose of the United Prayer Resource Network is to mobilize existing prayer networks worldwide to direct a significant part of their prayer ministry toward the evangelization of their neighborhoods, cities, nations and the world. Special efforts will be made, such as, focused prayer on the unreached people groups 1,000 least evangelized cities and the 10/40 Window.

[Spiritual mapping material inserts here]

Goals

*Incorporate enough prayer methods to mobilize 30 percent of the world's committed Christians to participate in events of prayer and praise for world evangelization on "A Day to Change the World," June 25, 1994.

*Praying Through the Window: research strategic prayer targets, provide target intelligence to intercessors, establish partisan prayer bands, and coordinate prayer journey teams.

*Spiritual Mapping Research Committee: select committee; develop spiritual mapping research standards.

*Establish an International Research Center for Spiritual Mapping in Seattle.

*Service other AD 2000 Resource Networks investigating potential program integration to discover if there are ways in which the research might benefit them.

*The prayer momentum that builds toward "A Day to Change the World," June 25, 1994, will be sustained throughout the decade.

Measurable Objectives

*Recruit five million intercessors worldwide who will pray for the global harvest and the 10/40 Window.

*Organize groups of women in at least 200 cities of the world who will commit to 40-day fasts with prayer for the world and the 10/40 Window.

*Organize at least 100,000 children and youth, trained and anointed to pray for the nations.

*Organize groups in 50 nations, led by generals of intercession and interceding for the unreached peoples in their own nations.

*Organize groups of intercessors in 120 nations committed to pray for the evangelization of their nations.

*Recruit 5,000 local churches to hold all night prayer meetings on behalf of world evangelization.

*Recruit 2,500 churches (outside of Korea) to conduct pre-dawn prayer meetings for 30 consecutive days leading up to June 25, 1994.

*Organize and train 10,000 teams to conduct neighborhood prayer walks.

*Establish Concerts of Prayer in 1000 cities which will each be assigned one of the 1000 least evangelized cities of the world.

*Conduct Marches for Jesus in as many capital cities of the world as possible on "A Day to Change the World," June 25, 1994.

*Deploy teams of intercessors to each of the 24 "Cardinal Points" of the world to pray for their nations and continents.

*Organize a global prayer chain which can be alerted to cover specific requests related to the AD 2000 & Beyond Movement.

*Enlist an elite team of 120 world class intercessors which will conduct a 24-hour prayer ministry preceding and during GCOWE '95.

****[Spiritual mapping measurable objectives go here]***

Participating Prayer Networks (As of December 1, 1992)

Concerts of Prayer, Women's Aglow Fellowship, Generals of Intercession, Lausanne Global Prayer Strategy, March for Jesus, DAWN Movement, End-Time Handmaidens, Intercessors International (Germany), Intercessors International (Texas), Campus Crusade, Spiritual Warfare Network, Every Home for Christ "Jericho Chapters," Esther Network, AD 2000 Women's Resource Network, Christian Information Network Lydia Fellowship, Christ for the City, World Methodist Council,

Prayer Support Networks, YWAM Cardinal Points, King's Kids, and Southern Baptist
Bold Mission Prayer Thrust.

Regional Resource Network Representatives

William F. Kumuyi, Africa; Wingrove Taylor, Caribbean; Johannes Facius,
Europe & C.I.S.; Harold Caballeros & Marco Fidel Ramirez, Latin America; Iqbal
Massey, Middle East & N. Africa; Gary Bergel & Alvin Vandergriend, North America;
Kim Sundo, Northeast Asia; Abraham Pothen, South Asia; Brian Andrew, South
Pacific; David Wang, Southeast Asia.

Resources:

1. Prayer resource network brochures etc.

Saturation Church Planting Resource Network
Chairman: Chris Marantika (Evangelical Theological Seminary of Indonesia)
Coordinator: Jim Montgomery (DAWN Ministries, Int'l)

Introduction

To complete the Great Commission, it is necessary not only to enter each nation (the primary missionary task) but to make a disciple of each nation (country, people group, city, etc.). A growing number of leaders around the world agree that this happens best when we are engaged in seeing Christ become incarnate in the life of a vital, witnessing congregation among every group of 500 to 1,000 people of every class, kind, and condition of mankind.

Purpose

The purpose of the Saturation Church Planting (SCP) resource network is to mobilize and equip top leaders in every country of the world, as the Lord wills, for developing and implementing an effective national saturation church-planting project that will lead to the establishment of an evangelical congregation within easy access of every person in the world.

Goals

*In 1994, 400 key leaders with a strong commitment to saturation church planting coming from 200 countries attend GCOWE '95 for education and coordination.

*By end of 1997 an actual SCP project underway in every country in the world.

*By December 31, AD 2000 an actual SCP project underway in every people group.

*By the end of one generation from the beginning of each country SCP project an evangelical congregation in every village and city neighborhood.

Measurable Objectives

*Key leaders from every nation, that the Lord wills, attend a training consultation on SCP strategy—by the end of 1993.

*Researchers from every nation, that the Lord wills, attend a seminar on how to do SCP research—by the end of 1993.

*Key persons from each nation, that the Lord wills, attend a seminar on SCP intercession and spiritual warfare—by the end of 1993.

Action Plan Milestones

*SCP staff or associates residing in six major regions of the world, covering all 12 AD 2000 regions by the end of 1992.

*Training manuals for SCP strategy, research, and intercession/spiritual warfare complete by the end of 1991.

Summary Statement

SCP resource network participants can play a significant role in world evangelization. They are equipped to mobilizing the evangelical force in each nation in the world with the goal of filling each country and its peoples and societal segments with cells of believers incarnating the Lord Jesus Christ.

Unreached Peoples Resource Network

Chairman: Patrick Johnstone

Coordinator: John Robb

Purpose

To work with Christian leaders of all denominations and organizations to encourage existing or form new cooperative ministry task forces and prayer networks for unreached peoples, concentrating on the 2000 least evangelized peoples (or clusters of peoples) to the end that holistic mission-minded church planting movements may emerge in them by the year 2000.

Goals

*Work with Prayer Resource Network to ensure that all 2000 unreached peoples are covered with ongoing intercession by focused networks.

*Work with AAPC (Adopt-a-People Clearing House), GEM (Global Evangelization Movement) and other agencies in a collaborative effort to produce prayer/information profiles and circulate them to prayer movements and networks. This is to be ensured by designating one or more agencies as a coordinating center.

*Work together with national Christian leaders to identify and enlist national resource network representatives who will:

*provide and receive information on unreached peoples as part of an AAPC network.

*patalyze new interdenominational efforts to reach the unreached.

*Work closely with related AD 2000 resource networks to minimize duplication.

Measurable Objectives

*Prayer networks with coordinators for 2000 unreached peoples or clusters thereof in place—by the end of 1994.

*Two thousand unreached peoples selected for cooperative ministry efforts—by the end of 1993.

*National resource network representatives selected in 40 countries by the end of 1991; 100 countries—by the end of 1992. Such appointments will only be made in close consultation with national leaders and AD 2000 resource network coordinators.

*Annual status reports on evangelization of unreached peoples—by December 1991, 1992 and 1993.

*Quarterly unreached peoples prayer and information focuses in AD 2000 Movement magazine—beginning January 1991.

RESOURCES AVAILABLE:

1. Inspiration/Education/Mobilization Materials

A. Seminars on Unreached Peoples: Internationally-experienced speakers on the principles,

practice, and power of working together to reach the unreached peoples of the world -- for

churches, mission conferences, or regional church/mission leaders' meetings.

B. Case histories of current working among unreached people groups -- focusing on the specific challenges, progress, problems and place of prayer encountered in reaching the unreached people groups.

C. Articles/monograph/books on the subject of people groups.

"Prayer as a strategic weapon for reaching the unreached peoples."

"Networking to reach the unreached peoples."

"Registry of Peoples and Languages," ROPAL - SIL

"List of unreached and adoptable peoples - a church for every people by the year 2000." Adopt-A-People Clearing House

"That Everyone may Hear - Planning Strategies for World Evangelization." Ed Dayton and Fraser.

"Focus: The Power of People Group Thinking." John Robb

"Operation World" Patrick Johnson

"Operation Wrold for Children." Jill Johnsotne

Least Evangelized Cities Resource Network

Chairman: Sam Kamaleson (World Vision)

Coordinator: Viv Grigg (Urban Leadership Foundation)

Introduction

By the year 2000 one-half of the human race will be living in cities. One half of these will be responsive migrant urban poor.

Purpose

To fulfill the Great Commission, we must see Christ become incarnate in vital, witnessing (in word and deed) congregations, culturally and geographically accessible to every community in every city.

Methodology: We will renew, network, and partner urban church leaders by inspiring them with a vision of the Kingdom penetrating, established in and transforming the city, through consultations, prayer movements and media.

Expected Results:

*The emergence of joint church planting strategies and movements accessible to each major sector of these cities by AD 2000.

*Many movements bringing significant transforming of societal condition.

Strategic Focus: In mobilizing all sectors, we recognize the critical nature of:

*the least evangelized cities

*the responsive urban poor (Luke 4:18)

*the educated elite who can transform city structures.

Goals

Structure for Mobilization: Through missionsnational churches, DAWN, ad 2000 prayer and other networks, encourage coordinators/city leadership teams in:

*300 mega-cities (over 1 million) with major unreached sectors and

*1700 least evangelized cities (over 100,000 and less than 3% Christian).

***Research Consortium:** Network an international urban research consortium that identifies city needs and generates simple city profiles for mobilization.

***Workers:** Catalyze movements of workers in every city living among the poor, including movements between two-thirds cities of different continents.

***Theological Reflection:** Encourage the emergence of theologies:

*reflecting the Kingdom impact on city culture and structure

*poor peoples' theologies.

***Re-orientation of Urban Mission:** Churches, development agencies and missions to make holistic church planting among the urban poor a priority by 1994.

Measurable Objectives

***Structure & Integration**

*14 regional coordinators, 5 specialist advocates (Jan. '93). Through them, regional teams and coordinators for 100 cities (Jan. '93), 400 (Dec. '93), and 1000 ('95).

*Emerge/network citywide strategies through strategic planning consultations in 400 cities by GCOWE '95 and 1000 cities by AD 2000,

*All regional city coordinators, advocates and assistants meet (Nov. 93, 94) and key city leaders (GCOWE, May '95).

*Mission agencies, in partnership with national churches, to adopt least evangelized cities with at least one team in each (adopt by '94, full placement by '97).

➤ ***Research & Publications** (all translated into major languages)

*Research profiles to 100 cities and major missions (Jan. 93), 300 cities (Nov. '93), 1000 cities ('94). Output city profiles, 300 yearly.

*Three monthly newsletters, including "slum dweller's theology" issues, networking issues, poor man's churchplanting issues, city strategy issues.

*City strategy handbook (1992), poor man's theology handbook (Dec. '93), and poor man's churchplanting handbook (Apr. '93).

*Publication of 4 books on the urban poor and urban ministry (by GCOWE '95).

***Prayer.** Work with other AD 2000 resource networks to:

*Enable discernment of the spiritual warfare issues for each city.

*Twinning of each unevangelized city with one "evangelized" city.

***Training**

*Modules to city leaders on (a) developing city-wide strategic processes and leadership, (b) theology/practice of church planting among the urban poor, (c) developing structures for workers among the poor within existing missions.

*An urban training center (person of wisdom?) in each mega-city by AD 2000.

***Partnering** between Cities and Continents

*A story-telling conference of Latin urban poor churchplanters and Asian leaders in the presence of Western missions/funding leaders (1993).

*Multinational leaders team from Latin America/Asia to the Muslim world (1993).

***Poor People's Theology:** Encourage evangelical theology that enables evangelization of the urban poor (1993).

***Transformation** of Urban Structures and Poverty: All consultations to include two measures of the kingdom nature of the gospel: (a) partnering of movements of churches of upper and lower levels of society, and (b) extent of transforming the socio-political conditions that perpetuate poverty.

Summary Statement

"If we reach the cities we reach the nation. But if we fail in the cities, they become a cesspool that will infect the entire country," D.L. Moody. We should ask ourselves as God asked Jonah: "Should I not care about the city?"

Mobilization of Pastors Resource Network
Chairman: Roger Forster (Icthus)
Coordinator: John Richard (AD 2000 & Beyond Movement)

[PLH Note: This needs some heavy editing!!!]

Introduction

The local church is foundational to the AD 2000 & Beyond Movement, for it is both the instrument and the purpose of the evangelism. Therefore, it must be awakened for the fulfillment of its biblical calling. This conviction about primacy of the local church arises from its theological rank and strategic role that it has in God's program for the world as revealed in the Scriptures. The task of the local church is evangelism; the goal of evangelism is the local church.

Purpose

The five-fold purpose of this Resource Network is:

- *To **mobilize** Pastors so that their local churches/assemblies will engage in the work of evangelization, missions and church planting.
- *To **train** our laity in the local church for the work of evangelization.
- *To **encourage** Pastors and leaders to prevail on the members of their local churches to testify publicly to the Head of the Church through varied forms of witness including Praise Marches.
- *To **enable** the Pastor to have a greater import of the grandeur and dignity of the ministry entrusted to him.
- *To **equip** the Pastor with skills and tools that will enhance the effectiveness of his ministry.

Goals

*This Resource Network will be exclusively focusing on pastors and will be hopefully networking 650 selected pastors from around the world. It is expected that the participants in GCOWE will number 5000 and that about 11-12% of these will be the selected pastors with whom we will be in contact.

*Pastors of the fifteen largest churches in Korea, the largest church in Africa, the second largest in Latin America and third largest in the world have already indicated their commitment to our Movement. We praise God for the stirring of the Spirit in their hearts and we are trusting that these church leaders will be related to our Resource Network. We have also identified pastors in the countries of Nepal, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Myanmar (Burma), India, Indonesia, Haiti, U.S. Virgin Islands, Bahamas, Barbados, Dominica, Grenada, Guadeloupe, Jamaica, Montserrat, Trinidad & Tobago, Curacao (Netherlands Antilles), St. Kitts & Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent, Guyana, Suriname and the U.S. Indian community. We have yet to get the consent of some of them but we do not anticipate any rejection to our invitation.

*We intend to approach some mission organizations like SIM International, OC Ministries, ACTS and other agencies to help us out, especially with our *equipping* goals. Hopefully, our Resource Network will be able to co-sponsor with these organizations some important projects. While the Resource Network as such cannot have financial participation in these projects, the Resource Network will do its part in preparing the groundwork for setting up the seminars and conferences. The Resource Network will also raise prayer support for the projects through AD 2000 outlets such as the magazine and other Resource Network bulletins. The organizations, hopefully, will be able to provide resource leaders, care for their travel and all other expenses and perhaps even make a contribution to the overall expenses of the meetings. The Resource Network will encourage the local churches to bear the cost of travel, food and lodging for their pastors who will attend the seminars.

For instance, conversations are under way with RREACH International, which is headed by Ramesh Richard, the former International Coordinator of the Mobilization of the Local Church Resource Network. RREACH's Mission Statement is: *equipping pastors and leaders in economically deprived countries with skills, tools and resources to reach their nations for Christ*. ACTS (recently formed) is yet another such organization. We request to be informed of other bodies with a similar special concern for pastors.

***March for Jesus** around the world, under the leadership of our Chairman Roger Forster, is gaining momentum. It calls Christians out of their church buildings to unite for mass praise and prayer, proclaiming Jesus before heaven and earth in joyful procession. Marching for Jesus is a prophetic act that symbolizes the whole body of Christ moving forward to bring the Gospel to all peoples. It prepares cities for effective evangelism, brings boldness to God's people and helps build relationships among Christians and churches.

[PLH Note: LB—these goals and objectives appear quite (a) GCOWE-centric and (b) large-church oriented. Wasn't there discussion in 12/92 mtg re: making these somewhat more far reaching and inclusive?]

Measurable Objectives

*To inform the Christian public at regular intervals through the AD 2000 magazine, Resource Network bulletins and other publications as to how Pastors are being used in order to further the Vision of our Movement.

*To identify pastors from the remaining countries of the world and to get them related to our Global Resource Network by December 1993.

*To co-sponsor with other mission organizations such as RREACH International at least 12 Pastors' Conferences or seminars/workshops by GCOWE, May 1995.

*To sponsor an AD 2000 Vision Meeting either in London or Cyprus for 40 Church Leaders from the West Asian and North African Muslim countries during the last quarter of 1993 for a period of four days. The attendees could well become potential GCOWE participants. Purpose: Inspiration, Encouragement, Fellowship and Learning.

*To sponsor a Conference for 80 to 100 pastors from the countries for former USSR and Eastern Europe, involved in the AD 2000 national movements in Moscow or elsewhere in July 1994.

*GCOWE, May 17-26, 1995 [650 Pastors from 200 countries in attendance]

*Pastors' Resource Projects for the pastors of the least evangelized countries of the world between 1995-1999.

*GCOWE in the Year 2000.

Action Plan Milestones

*Revision of Resource Network Objectives—12/92.

*Name change of Resource Network—12/92 (from Local Church to Pastors).

*Selection of Network participants from 30 countries—12/92.

*March for Jesus—June 12, 1993.

*Fix speakers and '95 Program—6/93.

*WA/NA Church Leaders' Conference—9/93.

*Resource Network Leaders' Meeting/Progress Report—12/93.

*Selection of Network participants and GCOWE Reps from 200 countries—12/93.

*March for Jesus—June 25, 1994.

*GCOWE '94 International March for Jesus—6/94.

*Resource Network Leaders' Meeting/Progress Report—12/94.

*GCOWE, Seoul, Korea—May 17-26, 1995.

*World Pastors' Conference participants, speakers and program confirmed—12/98.

*GCOWE '99—12/99.

*World Pastors' Conference—6/00.

*National Pastors' Conferences in 10/40 Window—2001-2010.

National Research Mobilization Resource Network
Chairman: Niyi Gbade (Calvary Ministries)
Coordinator: Bob Waymire (Light International)

Introduction

A non-negotiable element required in reaching our potential in "making disciples of all nations" is for the Body of Christ to have accurate, up-to-date information regarding its variety of contexts. Without access to the facts (reality, **light**) at the right time and in the right form, all our decision-making can be faulty. The national Church must obtain, maintain and communicate needed "harvest field" and "harvest force" information about its own and target countries.

Purpose

The purpose of the National Research Mobilization Resource Network is to help facilitate ongoing research and information management and networking at the regional and national levels through assisting the national Church in establishing *permanent national research functions, information resource centers, and an information sharing network*. It is also to help assure adequate information management tools and services (required for effective functioning of the functions/centers/network) are developed and are made available with appropriate training.

Goals

- *That the body of Christ have accurate, up-to-date information for the *harvest force* and *harvest fields* of every people, country and city.
- *A permanent national research and information function, under the responsibility of qualified national staff, established in each country, as the Lord wills.
- *A periodic survey of the harvest force and harvest field in every country.
- *Cooperative effort with all other AD 2000 resource networks for sharing information needs, survey results and analysis.
- *Widespread participation in a *global information sharing network*.
- *Cooperation, coordination and sharing among missions researchers, mission and national Church organizations.

Measurable Objectives

*Permanent research functions established in 65 countries, and 5 continent level functions by June 1995. Initiated in 150+ countries plus 8 continental functions by the year 2000.

*National Research Mobilization Handbook published by March of 1993.

*National level Information Resource Centers established in 50 countries by June 1995.

*Identify key research and information representatives in/for 150 countries by end of 1993.

*Hold resource network consultations for developing national research plans, Information Resource Centers, and training—in each continent—by end of 1994.

*Global SHARE Network: operational plan by mid-1993.

Action Plan Milestones

*Resource Network Newsletter—Publish 3 issues annually

*Consultation/training—E/W Europe in 1993.

*Consultation/training—S/SE/N Asia in 1993, 1994.

*Consultation/training—Latin America in 1993.

*Consultation/training—Africa in 1993, 1994.

*Conference with regional resource network coordinators in 1993, 1994 (bi-annually).

*Consultation/training—CIS in 1993, 1994.

*Consultation/training—West Asia & North Africa in 1994 and 1995.

Cross-Cultural Training Resource Network
Chairman: Reuben Ezemadu (Christian Missionary Foundation)
Coordinator: Bill Taylor (WEF Missions Commission)

Introduction

Effective ministry depends on effective training. Jesus and the apostles clearly taught us this truth. And today's cross-cultural servant force must be sent properly trained. This equipping comes with comprehensive, specific, and contextualized training (formal and non-formal) prior to field service. The global missionary enterprise cannot afford any more ill-equipped missionaries, for already too many missionaries have returned in defeat. There are many reasons for their discouragement, but the majority have said: "I was not trained adequately."

Purpose

The purpose of the Cross-Cultural Training (CCT) Resource Network is to mobilize and equip key leadership in every country to develop and implement an effective cross-cultural missionary training program that will network its resources globally; in this way it will provide quality servant missionaries for the task of evangelism, discipleship, church planting and leadership training, particularly amongst the strategically chosen unreached peoples of the world.

Goals

- *Network with the other AD 2000 resource networks to assure understanding and cooperation.
- *Network with the Missions Commission of the World Evangelical Fellowship and its long-term International Missionary Training Project and key personnel. Do the same with other organizations which share this special vision.
- *Identify and recruit national and regional missionary training representatives who will take an active role in the CCT resource network.
- *Provide a global sharing of effective and contextualized models of missionary training.
- *Serve as a catalyst and to provide personnel and financial resources for the establishment of new training programs as well as for appropriate literature and textbooks.
- *Serve as a channel for international and inter-dependent financial partnership to benefit cross-cultural training.
- *Provide consultants to strengthen existing missionary training programs and centers, as well as aid Bible Schools and Seminaries who seek to introduce missions courses and training into their curriculum.

Measurable Objectives

*Update the new World Directory of Missionary Training Centres that give reliable information on missionary training centres and programs by January 1993.

*Continue publishing the new bulletin.

*Training in cooperation with the WEF Missions Commission from August 1990 to present.

*Ongoing research and publish effective models of missionary training, by February 1993.

*Adapt and translate the new book *Internationalizing Missionary Training: A Global Perspective* in Spanish and Portuguese, as well as producing editions for Africa and Asia by July 1993.

*Continue holding regional consultations on missionary training, 1992-1994.

*Develop traveling teams of resource personnel to provide on-site training consultation and workshops.

*Produce contextualized texts for missionary training on a long-term schedule-August 1993.

*Continue to develop a financial base for the above measurable objectives from the West and the Two-Thirds World.

Summary Statement

The task of effectively equipping the cross-cultural missionary force is enormous and complex. The challenge is not for a few persons to attempt alone. It is imperative that the CCT Resource Network discover, challenge and involve key regional and national leaders.

Mobilization of Women Resource Network

Chair-person: Judy Mbugua (PACWA)

Coordinator: Lorry Lutz (Partners International)

Introduction

Women around the world need to be mobilized and enabled to use their spiritual gifts for world evangelism. Many women feel inferior or ungifted. In some cultures they are discouraged from leadership or teaching roles of any kind. Representing more than 50% of the church's adherents, women are the greatest untapped source for evangelism. Thus the goals of the AD 2000 & Beyond Movement are more likely to be met through the synergism of men and women, young people, professionals and lay people working together for world evangelization.

Purpose

As part of the overall purpose of the AD 2000 & Beyond Movement, the Women Resource Network will aid in the mobilization and enablement of women around the world, across denominational and parachurch agency lines, to reach the unreached for Jesus Christ.

Goals

We will have aided the accomplishment of our purpose if women in every country of the world...

- *are mobilized into active prayer groups for world evangelization.
- *are actively involved in reaching the unreached both within their communities and beyond.
- *are enabled to increase their vision for the world through greater exposure to information, challenge, training and opportunities for involvement.
- *understand their responsibilities to be involved in world evangelization because of their innate giftedness and calling as "joint heirs" with Christ.

(Personal Notes: It is understood that much of this is already happening in some countries. But the vast number of Christian women in the world do not have the information or opportunities to become mobilized in a united effort of prayer or evangelism. It is hoped that the AD 2000 Women's Resource Network will: a) enhance existing programs by bringing key women leaders together across denominational barriers to encourage cooperation and avoid duplication, and, b) discover the areas where women do not have these opportunities and target our resources there as much as possible.)

Strategies

We will accomplish our goals by developing the following strategies:

- *Assess needs of women in each region of the world in relation to opportunities, obstacles and involvement in evangelism.
- *Develop a network of key women leaders worldwide.
- *Encourage and assist consultations at regional and national levels to assess needs, share information and teaching and develop plans for prayer networks and evangelism.
- *Provide written resources and qualified personnel where possible to enable women to pray and evangelize effectively.
- *Encourage male church leaders wherever possible to give women opportunities to attend conferences and training programs and to enable them to become more involved in prayer and evangelism.
- *Issue periodic updated information and status reports to aid the above.

Action Plans

- *Hold regional representatives' consultation, May 1991 (Completed).
- *Begin quarterly international newsletter, "Women of Vision," to be sent to key women leaders in 200 countries—December 1993.
- *Raise funds as seed money for consultations and for costs of newsletter, etc.
- *Hold regional consultations: North America, May/Dec 1993; South Asia, June 1992; Southeast Asia, June 1993; Caribbean, July 1993; Africa (English), August 1993; South Pacific, March 1993; Europe, April 1993; Middle East/North Africa, October 1993; North Asia, Fall 1993..
- *Develop list of 6-10 key women leaders from 200 countries of the world—June 1992.
- *Interact/cooperate with other world movements of women; i.e., WEF and Lausanne.
- *Make available a Womens Resource Network prayer manual to be used by 100,000 women's prayer groups who will also each adopt an unreached people as their special target.
- *Publish "A Study Guide for Evangelism Praying" by Evelyn Christenson in English, and assist translation and publication in other major languages—June 1993.
- *Encourage training programs on local levels through regional representatives to use the "Study Guide For Evangelism Praying", to form 100,000 triplet prayer groups to pray for unsaved relatives and friends and for an unreached people"—December 1993.
- *Select delegates for GCOWE '95 by June 30, 1993.
- *Plan and implement program for Women's Resource Network at GCOWE '95—1995.

*Work closely with twelve regional representatives to help them meet their goals—Ongoing.

* Appoint resource network leaders for period 1995-2000—January 1994.

Summary Statement

Since in the past women have limited opportunities to network and to be trained to use their gifts, they will need the encouragement of the rest of the leadership of the church to bring them to their full potential in their role in world evangelization.

Mobilizing Younger Mobilizers Resource Network

Chairman: Paul Borthwick (Grace Chapel)

Coordinator: Pari Rickard (YWAM—Target 2000)

Introduction

Over 50 percent of the people of the world are under 25 years old. As such, these individuals represent both a great challenge and phenomenal resource for the completion of the Great Commission and evangelisation in the 10/40 window. Younger Christian leaders must be recognized, recruited, and commissioned to facilitate radical multiplication in global missions movements that mobilize Christians under the age of 26 in their part of reaching the unreached..

Purpose

The mobilizing younger mobilizers resource network serves to identify, network, train, and commission younger Christian leaders from around the world to create, expand or network local, national and regional mission movements from among Christians under the age of 26 to reach the unreached.

Goals

****Identification***—To identify, contact and enlist key missions mobilizers under the age of 26 from around the world who will commit to participate in the AD 2000 Movement, its goals, and ancillary activities up to and beyond GCOWE '95.

****Involvement***—To foster, network and help expand regional and/or national structures that significantly increase participation of Christian missionaries under the age of 26 in reaching the unreached.

****Inform***—To catalogue, publicize, and disseminate literature, resources and training material that facilitate mobilization efforts and missions movements of Christians under the age of 26 for the unreached.

***Enablement**—To train and enable resource network participants for the mobilization, recruitment, and discipleship of missionaries under the age of 26 that work among unreached peoples.

***Evangelization**—To impart to resource network participants balanced missiological and ministry concepts that foster increasingly strategic and helpful missions activities among unreached peoples by younger missionaries.

***Cooperation**—To facilitate solid co-operation between resource network participants (and other younger mobilizers), local church leaders, and Christian organizations that will expand mission efforts by younger Christian missionaries towards closure.

Measurable Objectives

***Contact**—By July 1993, assess and initially contact some recognized and/or potential "Frontier Missions Advocates for AD 2000" from among younger Christian leaders that have been identified by other AD 2000 resource network leadership, Christian leadership, mission leadership, student mission leadership, or other knowledgeable Christian sources.

***Coommission**—By September 1993, contact and commission potential national and/or regional "Frontier Missions Advocates for AD 2000" from among younger (under 26) Christian leaders who will facilitate networking, service, and (where possible) expansion of younger Christians in world evangelism for the unreached.

***Communication**—By December 1993, produce and disseminate a self-funding networking publication to be distributed 6 times prior to GCOWE '95 to resource network participants, other key younger mobilizers, and other interested parties.

***Commitment**—By January 1994, commission and facilitate a minimum of 750 key "younger mission mobilizers" from each of the world's nations that will commit to participate in the AD 2000 Movement, its goals, and ancillary activities up to and beyond GCOWE '95.

***Conference**—By March 1994, facilitate implementation plans for national and/or regional "Mobilizing Younger Mobilizers Conferences" that multiply regional and national initiatives for increased numbers of younger Christians in Frontier Missions.

***Continuation**—By July 1994, implement and systematise GCOWE participation and future involvement in the AD 2000 Movement to reach all unreached peoples.

Conceptual Rationale

Because reaching the unreached peoples of the world is the very core of the AD 2000 Movement, any resource network of GCOWE must reflect strongly on moving toward the same goal—"A Church for Every People and the Gospel for Every Person by the Year 2000". In that light, the "Mobilizing Younger Mobilizers Resource Network" must also do its part toward the same end. Thus our specific focus.

Literally millions of short-term missions participants have, over the last 30 years, touched the beginning of what has sometimes become long term missions

involvement. Many know that with that tremendous force for world evangelization must come directed and specific doorways for service among unreached peoples.

For at least the last 15 years, student missions leaders have noted the mazing potential of student missions. And Urbana has been a key flagship of a fleet of international student mission movements that, while sometimes hard to follow and resource network, nonetheless exist. *This international group must be mobilized and sent to the frontiers.*

One recent young peoples' gathering brought together 3800 young people from 150+ nations between the ages of 8 - 21 for very specific frontier missions challenges, encouragement, and practical outreaches in some frontier missions situations following. Now, missions movements among youth have clarified their commitment to the task while helping spawn new off-shoots. This international group must find a place in the frontiers as a viable part of the frontier missions force.

Such considerations compel the conclusion that *those who can mobilize the force of younger Christians into frontier missions ought to be recognized, gathered, trained, and empowered to expand the work of their colleagues for the unreached.*

God's Word and Literature Resource Network

Chairman: Lars Dunberg (Interantional Bible Society)

Coordinator: Dick Eastman (Every Home for Christ)

Background

"Recognizing the essential role of the Scriptures in evangelism and in the discipling and nurturing of believers, and being aware that the Scriptures need to be available in a language that people can readily and adequately understand and that for most people that means their first language, as organizations involved in the translation of the Scriptures, we share a common concern that all people everywhere should have access to God's Word in an appropriate form and in a language they readily understand. We resolve to work together to achieve this goal." *Priorities of Translation Commitment*, Meeting of Bible translation agencies in Dallas, Texas, October 3-4, 1991.

Purpose

Mobilize and encourage networking among Bible societies, Bible translation agencies, media and literature evangelism ministries, and related organizations committed to evangelizing the unreached and discipling new converts through print and other media for an integrated, cooperative effort in every nation; for the purpose of systematically providing all people of a nation access to God's Word in their own language through printed Scriptures, evangelistic and follow-up literature and appropriate audio-visual materials in order that people may be brought to salvation, churches planted and God's kingdom strengthened.

Goals

- *To foster an awareness throughout the Church globally of the supreme importance of the Scriptures and the printed page (including the communicating of God's Word through all repeatable media forms) in all evangelism and church planting activity.
- *To enlist a broad coalition of networking churches, Bible societies, literature distribution and media agencies to provide every person in a nation reasonable access to the Good News of God's Word via printed or repeatable Scriptures, and biblically-based evangelistic materials.
- *To facilitate all cooperating entities in a unifying effort to employ a four-stage process that includes: 1) the **translating** of God's Word for all peoples; 2) the **producing** of God's Word and the Gospel message in printed or repeatable form for all peoples; 3) the **distributing** of these materials in a systematic, measurable manner to all peoples in every nation; and 4) the initial **nurturing** of new believers by means of the printed or repeatable (i.e., cassettes) Scriptures, Scripture portions, and other Word-centered discipleship materials.
- *To develop systematic strategies for reaching an entire nation with God's Word and evangelistic literature by assisting national believers and volunteer distribution teams in taking the Gospel in printed or repeatable form (i.e. cassettes or gospel recordings) to every home and people in a country so each person has within their reach reasonable access to the Gospel message.

*To assist national churches and missions agencies in the strategic planting of New Testament churches by providing new believers in regions where no established churches exist with the Scriptures as well as simplified Bible lessons in printed or repeatable form (i.e. audio cassettes) for their spiritual growth and continuing evangelistic outreach.

*To encourage networking among the Bible translation agencies to assess and determine in what languages Scriptures still need to be translated to ensure that all the peoples of the earth have access to the Bible either in written, audio, or video form in a language that they understand.

Measurable Objectives

*Compile by January 1993 a substantive list of potential networking groups compatible with the GWL resource network, including Bible Societies, literature and Scripture media ministries and any other groups that might identify with and wish to participate in the goals and objectives of the GWL resource network.

*To work with cooperating resource network agencies and church organizations to seek to establish a functioning base for the systematic distribution of God's Word and evangelistic literature in targeted nations by the year 2000.

*In consultation with AD 2000 regional leadership, identify and appoint by December 1993, appropriate national leadership in nations where the GWL resource network seeks to be active.

*Target at least two nations between June 1, 1993, and June 1, 1994, for launching a modeling strategy in line with all resource network goals that might be duplicated in other nations between 1994 and the year 2000.

*To have completed by June 1, 1996, the measurable goal of providing all persons in at least 2 nations access to God's Word in some form as a model to be followed throughout the various regions. Priority in the selection of these target countries will be given to those located within the 10/40 window, or other least evangelized lands.

*To help provide for the nurturing of all new believers in the target countries with appropriate discipling materials and Scriptures in printed or repeatable form as these responses or conversion occur.

*Plan and conduct God's Word and Literature strategic consultations as necessary beginning in the spring of 1993 for representatives of GWL resource network-related ministries willing to participate in the accomplishing of the goals of the resource network.

*To see the whole Bible published in all languages of the world with more than 5 million speakers—by December, 1999. There are 33 languages with more than 5 million speakers where there is as yet no published Bible; (15 of these do not have a New Testament either).

*To see at least the New Testament published in all languages of the world with more than 500,000 speakers—by December, 1998. There are 77 languages with more than 500,000 speakers where there is as yet no published New Testament.

*To see some Scriptures available in all languages of the world with more than 250,000 speakers either in printed or audio form—by December, 1997. There

are an additional 41 languages with more than 250,000 speakers currently without any Scripture.

*To see Scripture translation begun in all languages of the world with more than 100,000 speakers—by December, 1997. There are an additional 131 languages with more than 100,000 speakers without Scriptures.

*To develop a phased plan for Scripture translation in all the remaining languages of the world necessary to ensure the attainment of the goal stated above—by December, 1999. In addition to the languages included in the above four categories there are still more than 2000 languages where it is not yet clear whether Scripture translation is needed.

*For Scripture translation specialists and related ministry representatives to meet annually with the principal agencies involved in Bible translation that have been meeting regularly once each year.

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Radio Task Force

Chairman: Ron Cline (HCJB)

Vice-Chairman: [??????] (Transworld Radio—Brazil)**

Coordinator: Arnie Remtema (World by 2000)

Purpose

The purpose of the radio task force is to help facilitate ongoing research, information management and networking within the different language groups of the world. These activities will help provide the information necessary to help develop Gospel programs in every language group.

Measurable Objectives

Phase 1: Major Language Groups (one million plus)

- *Identify and track the major language groups (one million or more speakers).
- *Set up networking with the national church or other mission agencies in each of these areas.
- *Set up prayer support, financial support, training programs and reporting systems.
- *Produce broadcasts in each language

Phase 2: Smaller language groups (500,000 to 1,000,000)

- *Identify the minor language groups (one-half to one million speakers).
- *Set up prayer support, financial support, training programs and reporting systems.
- *Encourage and assist other missionary organizations to use radio locally for evangelism.

*Develop additional broadcast sites for better coverage into the 10/40 Window.

Action Plan Milestones

*Develop a network of communication between all radio producers interested in this commitment—1992.

*Create a steering committee to coordinate the total effort.

*Regional consultations—1992-1993.

*Develop and deploy training teams—1992.

*Gather major broadcasters, language sponsors and interested parties together annually by—1993.

AD 2000 Assessment

Task Force

Chairman: Luis Bush (AD 2000 & Beyond)

Coordinator: Pete Holzmann (DataServe, AD 2000 & Beyond)

Introduction

A variety of different historical perspectives on assessing the unfinished task are represented within the tracks of the AD 2000 & Beyond Movement, and within the Assessment Task Force. We have taken pains to incorporate these different perspectives and allow for a clear, measurable set of criteria and facts to record and assess the progress of the Gospel among the least reached peoples and least evangelized cities of the world. Such assessment is necessary if we are to know whether the desired results of the AD 2000 Movement's purposes have been accomplished, specifically: "...to inspire the vision of reaching the unreached by AD 2000...with the expected result that there be the establishment of a mission-minded church planting movement within every unreached and unevangelized people and city by AD 2000 so that all peoples have a valid opportunity to experience the love, truth and saving power of Jesus Christ in fellowship with other believers."

Purpose

In a spirit of servanthood, under the Lordship of Jesus Christ, we purpose to *assess the advance of the Gospel and the establishment of a mission-minded church planting movement* within every unreached people and least evangelized city and country, and to communicate the results in a relevant manner to the body of Christ worldwide. We recognize our total dependence on God's enablement which must be a direct result of prayer.

Goals

*In cooperation with all interested resource networks, to see that clear and concise definitions and Gospel advance assessment measurements are agreed to for the countries, peoples and major cities of the world.

*To see that complete and current lists of the countries, peoples and major cities of the world are developed and maintained.

*To ensure that accurate, timely facts pertinent to assessing progress of the Gospel are collected and verified by resource networks and other groups interested in the countries, peoples and major cities of the world.

*To periodically review progress in each of these areas, and provide appropriate summary reports to leaders of the movement, resource network leaders, and the Church.

Measurable Objectives

- *Facilitate the creation of ad-hoc working groups interested in countries, peoples and cities—December 1992.
- *Ensure that definitions for countries, unreached and adoptable peoples, and major cities are created—December 1992.
- *Ensure that a valid list of countries in the world is created and maintained, along with key country-level assessment information—December 1992.
- *Report on progress in definitions, lists, and assessment information annually to global resource network leaders—beginning December, 1992.
- *Participate in 10/40 Window Ground Force Deployment Strategy Meeting—(Seoul Korea, October 1993.)
- *Produce appropriate assessment reports for GCOWE '95 and '99.

Assessment: Countries

Ad-Hoc Working Group

An informal group of participants from AD 2000, the Unreached Peoples, Spiritual Mapping and Research Mobilization Resource Networks, with additional help from Global Mapping International and Strategic Mapping, Inc. has communicated on an irregular basis. No formal arrangement exists as of this writing.

Definitions

For AD 2000 assessment and tracking purposes, **countries** include all places:

- *recognized by at least one international body (UN, ISO, FIPS, etc.);
- *either sovereign nations, independently governed territories, or areas or entities disputed by more than one country;
- *with population over 5,000.

At present, we use two primary measurements to assess the progress of the gospel at the country level:

- **Percent (self-declared) Christian*. This is especially useful for comparison with other equivalent measurements, such as percent Muslim, Hindu or Buddhist.
- **Percent Evangelical Christian (as defined in Operation World)*. This is too-simple but relatively easily available information that relates well to the population of committed Christians likely to participate in a "viable" church (able to multiply within a culture without outside assistance).

Assessment Status

- *A registry of countries has been created, containing names, cross-reference codes, and a minimal amount of basic demographic information.

*A demographic database of secular country information, linked to the registry, is up to date as of early 1993.

*A database of religious country information, linked to the registry, is up to date as of 1986, containing data from the 1986 edition of *Operation World*.

*A new edition of *Operation World* will be released in late 1993, in both paper and electronic form.

Measurable Objectives

*Expand the registry to include major provinces of all countries—December 1993.

*Incorporate 1993 *Operation World* information—December 1993.

Assessment: Peoples

Ad-Hoc Working Group

Following several years of evaluation, the development of several independent information bases, and months of preparation, an Ad Hoc Group was formed, committed to providing information and information tools on peoples and people groups around the world, to serve the Body of Christ in the task of world evangelization. The Ad Hoc Group is made up of Ron Rowland, Coordinator (*SIL & WBT International*), Luis Bush, Chairman (*AD 2000 & Beyond Movement*), Frank Kaleb Jansen (*Adopt-A-People Clearinghouse*), Pete Holzmann (*DataServe* and *The AD 2000 & Beyond Movement Assessment Task Force*), and Clark Scanlon (*Southern Baptist Convention – Foreign Mission Board*). This group is seeking to enlist the aid of a wider group of interested consultants in the Missions community to assist in the guidance of the network, known as the **Peoples Information Network (PIN)**.

Definitions

A People

*A significantly large ethno-linguistic group of individuals who perceive themselves to have a common affinity for one another.

*From the viewpoint of evangelization, this is the largest group within which the Gospel can spread as a church-planting movement, without encountering barriers of understanding or acceptance.

An Unreached People

*A people within which there is no indigenous community of believing Christians with adequate numbers and resources to evangelize this people, without requiring outside (cross-cultural) assistance.

An Adoptable People

*A people that is identifiable by

*a **Proper Name**—either ethnic or linguistic, whose identity is either self-perceived or assigned

*a **Location**—a significantly large concentration of this people can be identified in a geographical location (a nomadic location range is acceptable)

*Adoptable for one or more of the following five **reasons**:

*The people **has not Heard**. The Gospel has not been proclaimed to them in an understandable way or form.

*The people **has not Responded**. They do not believe that Jesus Christ is the only way to salvation and that the Bible is God's Word—the Truth—and live accordingly.

*The people **does not have a Church**. Believers are not gathering together regularly for worship, teaching, and outreach. A church movement has not yet started.

*The people **does not have the Word of God Translated** into their mother tongue. Written, audio or visual translations of God's Word, that are culturally acceptable, have not been completed.

*The people **does not have the Word of God readily Available**. There are practical and/or legal restrictions to distribution, and/or a large percentage of the people are illiterate.

Stages of Reachedness

*As used since 1982 (leaving out Stage 1 *Reported* (the people is unknown if not reported) and Stage 7 *Reached* (a subjective conclusion)):

***Verified**: The people has been verified by a reliable source both as a people and being unreached.

***Evaluated**: Adequate research has been completed to permit interested Christians outside this people to make a decision to reach it.

***Selected**: A church or mission agency sufficient for the task has made a commitment to reach this people.

***Adopted**: A fellowship of believers has accepted and agreed upon a long term commitment to a) pray regularly for them; b) gather information; c) share that information with others adopting or working among this people.

***Engaged**: Initial field work (cross-cultural workers on site) has begun with the intent of establishing ("planting") an evangelizing, culturally indigenous church.

Assessment Status

*A *Registry of Peoples and Languages* (ROPAL) has been created (by SIL/WBT), containing names, cross-reference codes, and a minimal amount of other information for approximately 12,000 people groups in the world, distinguished first by ethno-linguistic distinctives, but also by geo-politics, geography and ideology where relevant. This registry is being cross-indexed to other sources of

peoples information, possibly including the Ethnologue (SIL), Recorded Languages (Gospel Recordings), Oral Scriptures (Hosanna), Scripture Translation Status (UBS), International Radio Database (FEBC), etc.

*The Ad-Hoc Peoples Working Group has met several times, producing two drafts of an Unreached & Adoptable Peoples Listing for validation by knowledgeable leaders around the world, with responses tabulated so far from 182 countries. The first official publication of this book, *"A Church for Every People by the Year 2000"*, is set for April 25, 1993. At the same time, the ROPAL will also be published. Both of these publications will be updated on a regular basis.

*The Peoples Information Network is not of itself involved in file maintenance and research programs. Rather, it seeks to identify and work with those who are most motivated and equipped to deal with categories of information. The ROPAL will point to information sources that contain information on particular peoples.

*The Peoples Information Network is not an organization; its only official identity is as a special interest group of SHARE. As such, individuals and organizations participating in PIN are expected to follow the guidelines of the SHARE Fellowship for data definitions, information sharing principles, etc.

Measurable Objectives

*Continually identify individuals and organizations committed to acquiring, managing and sharing information on peoples—ongoing.

*Publish an initial edition of the Unreached & Adoptable Peoples Listing, *"A Church for Every People by the Year 2000"*—April 25, 1993.

*Publish an initial edition of the *Registry of Peoples and Languages (ROPAL)*—April 25, 1993.

*Develop a long-term strategy to create a database holding a tremendous variety of information about each people, sufficient for creating people profiles, for strategizing, etc.—December, 1993.

*Publish more detailed goals and objectives on an ongoing basis.

Assessment: Cities

Ad-Hoc Working Group

Viv Grigg, Global Coordinator of the AD 2000 Cities Resource Network, has spearheaded the formation of an informal **AD 2000 Cities Resource Network Research Consortium**. There is a significant need for more resources of all kinds to assist in assessing the cities.

Definitions

City

*All cities with an urban area over 100,000 population are included.

Twinnable City

*The Cities analogue to the Adopt-A-People concept is *Twinning Cities*. Strategic cities where the Gospel is not known should be linked with sister/twin/adopting cities where the church is strong, and can provide the prayer support and other resources to see that each unreached city is penetrated with the Gospel.

*There is little useful information available for evaluating twinnability/adoptability of cities. At present, all cities less than 3% Evangelical Christian are considered adoptable. In most cases, the only available information is for the entire country.

Assessment Status

*An initial list has been created of over 2000 cities, including all cities over 1 million and excluding most cities in countries over 3% Evangelical. This basic list is being expanded quickly to cover all cities over 100,000.

*A *City Profile* form has been developed; there is tremendous need for cooperation in gathering strategic information on the least evangelized cities of the world.

Measurable Objectives

*Complete the list of cities over 100,000—1994.

*Develop prioritization strategy for cities—1993.

*Recruit more resources for city-level assessment—ongoing.

Assessment: The Overall Movement

Measurable objectives of the Overall AD 2000 & Beyond Movement

*To identify 2000 adoptable and unreached peoples, and eliminate them from the list of adoptable peoples.

*To penetrate all peoples over 100,000 population in 1000 Least Evangelized Cities.

*To reach 55 Least Evangelized Countries.

*To proclaim the Gospel to the world in such a way that every person may hear the Gospel in a language they readily understand.

Criteria to Measure Advance of the Gospel

For peoples and cities both response factors and exposure factors will be assessed. For countries and the world, initially the exposure factors will be assessed.

General criteria for assessment will be the product of a composite of indicators agreed to by the Assessment Task Force and ad-hoc working groups as follows:

Response Factor

- *Significant number of Christians (over 20%)
- *Many Christians (over 3% to 20%)
- *Few Christians (over .05% to 3%)
- *Almost no Christians (0% to .05%)

Exposure Factor

- *Almost all have heard (over 95%).
- *Many have heard (over 40% to 95%).
- *Few have heard (over 5% to 40%).
- *Almost none have heard (0% to 5%).

Specialized criteria based on more detailed indicators such as the following examples:

Response Factors

- *Percent Evangelical/Percent Christian.
- *Percent church members.
- *Active baptized members of evangelical churches.
- *Number of congregations.
- *Ratio of population per congregation .
- *Average annual growth rate of congregations.
- *Average annual growth rate of active church members.

Exposure Factors

- *Have the Word of God translated in mother language.
- *Have the Word of God readily available.
- *Have seen the Jesus film.
- *Have radio broadcast.
- *Have received Christian literature.
- *Have work among (resident or non-resident).

Partnership Development to Reach the Unreached Task Force

Chairman: Phill Butler (Interdev)

Introduction

The AD 2000 Movement is committed to partnership as a principle of ministry.

"We see afresh that cooperation and partnership are absolute necessities if the Great Commission is going to be fulfilled by the year 2000. For the sake of those who are lost and eternally separated from God, we have dared to pray and dream of what might happen if appropriate autonomy of churches and ministries could be balanced with significant partnership." Great Commission Manifesto, Singapore, January 8, 1989.

Many forms of partnership have been developed by church and missions agencies over the years. However, experience increasingly shows the value of field-based partnerships where, on a voluntary basis, all of the ministries necessary to see planning and coordinated action can take place. It is the encouragement, development, and implementation of such partnerships that this Task Force seeks to facilitate.

Purpose

To facilitate the formation of partnerships for each of the 2000 least evangelized people groups (less than 2% Christian) by the year 2000 through:

- *education of church and mission leaders.
- *training of a partnership coordinator for each of the initiatives.
- *providing ongoing resourcing of these partnership coordinators.

Goals

**Raise Church/Mission Leadership Awareness/Commitment.* Leaders' awareness and commitment is required if there is to be wholehearted support for a collaborative, partnership approach to the unfinished task. In cooperation with national and regional AD 2000 representatives, implement an on-going series of short term (1-2 day) information/education conferences on the subject of partnership.

**Partnership Facilitator Recruitment.* Every grass roots level strategic evangelism partnership requires a committed facilitator. Through AD 2000 and other networks, implement a specific program of recruitment of potential partnership facilitators. Challenge existing church/mission leaders to see this category of service as a high priority for allocation of seasoned personnel.

**Train Partnership Facilitators (PFs).* One of the most challenging assignments in the world, the facilitator's role is a specialized one requiring specific training. Continue to develop the current PF training program, including regionalization

to locations nearer the high concentrations of unreached peoples. Develop short-term "mini training programs" and "training the trainers programs" for localized initiatives.

**Develop the Partnership Network.* Once trained, facilitators need on-going support. Strengthen the current Partnership Network, enhancing the frequency of communication with all PFs and their partner agencies providing encouragement, specialized resources, in-service training, and the ability to share experience.

**Partnership as Practiced in AD 2000.* With the leadership of the movement, encourage greater functional cooperation between the various AD 2000 resources for ground-level impact on specific people groups strategies.

Measureable Objectives

In cooperation with the AD 2000 Resource Networks and National/Regional representatives—

*Hold at least three regional leaders' information/education seminars per year on strategic partnerships for evangelism from 1994 onward.

*Develop and implement during 1993 a partnership facilitator recruitment program in cooperation with existing Non-Western and Western mission agency leadership. Identify a minimum of fifty individuals to enter the facilitator training. From 1994 onward, develop programs that will allow for up to 100 facilitators per year to be trained.

*From 1994, implement a minimum of two regional partnership facilitator intensive training programs with at least 25 participants each. Develop shorter-term, localized training programs that can be implemented from 1994 onwards.

*By the end of 1993, identify and qualify a minimum of 15 individuals to serve as "certified" partnership trainers for the regional/local facilitator training programs.

*During 1993, expand and strengthen the Partnership Network providing encouragement as well as personal/professional support for partnership facilitators through contacts on at least a monthly basis. Increase the number of regional partnership facilitators' meetings to at least two events of 3-4 days each year.

*Work with AD 2000 Movement leadership on the partnership elements for the October '93 (Ground Force Mobilization for Deployment in the 10/40 Window) and GCOWE '95.

*By 1993, develop new assessment/education tools to encourage more functional cooperation between the Resource Networks and between the RNs and the regional representatives—seeking highly specific linkages in support of people-specific evangelism partnerships.

An Explanation of the Purpose Statement of the AD 2000 & Beyond Movement

—by John Richard

Its Purpose

In a spirit of servanthood, the AD 2000 & Beyond Movement seeks to encourage, motivate and network men and women church leaders by inspiring them with the vision of reaching the unreached by the year 2000 through consultations, prayer efforts and written materials.

The intention is to encourage cooperation among existing churches, movements and structures to work together towards this same vision.

The expected result is the establishment of a mission-minded church planting movement within every unreached and unevangelized people and city by AD 2000 so that all peoples might have a valid opportunity to experience the love, truth and saving power of Jesus Christ in fellowship with other believers.

This statement has three long sentences; or, one might say that it has three parts that are described in increasing detail as follows:

PART I: The first, is the purpose of the Movement. It spells out the reason for its existence.

PART II: The second, refers to the intention, namely, the manner as to how the purpose is to be accomplished.

PART III: The third part states the expected result or outcome. In other words, what we envisage when the purpose is accomplished.

PART I: The purpose of the movement or the reason for its existence.

**What is it?*

To motivate and network.

**Whom does the movement target?*

Men and women church leaders.

**How is the motivation and networking to be done?*

By inspiring them with the vision of reaching the unreached

**How are we to inspire them with this vision?*

Through consultation, prayer efforts and written materials.

PART II: The intention, or the manner as to how the purpose is to be accomplished.

**How?*

By encouraging cooperation.

**Among whom?*

Among existing churches, movements and structures.

**Why encourage cooperation?*

To work together towards the vision of reaching the unreached.

***PART III: The expected result or outcome,
what we envisage will emerge when
the purpose is accomplished.***

**What is it?*

A mission-minded church planting movement.

**Where?*

Within every unreached and unevangelized people and city.

**By When?*

AD 2000

**Why a mission-minded church planting movement?*

So that all peoples might have a valid opportunity.

**For what?*

To experience the love, truth and saving power of Jesus Christ in fellowship with other believers.

***PART I: The purpose of the Movement,
or the reason for its existence.***

We need to be quite sure as to why we exist. Will the fulfillment of the Great Commission be hastened because of our Movement's existence? Or, will it be seriously affected or impeded if we do not exist? The answers to these two questions should be a resounding "YES." If we entertain any secret doubt, then to that extent our Movement will suffer.

***What is the purpose
of the Movement?***

The purpose of the Movement is to motivate and network. To motivate is to provide others with an inner urge. Unless we ourselves are seized of it, we cannot motivate others. We need to be like Caleb, who in the midst of dissent could exclaim: "We should go up and take possession of the land, for we can certainly do it" (Numbers 13:30). Like David who told his disgruntled followers (the ones who did not want to share with those who had stayed behind the plunder they recovered): "No, my brothers, you must not do that with what the Lord has given us. He has protected us and handed over to us the forces that came against us.... The share of the man who stayed with the supplies is to be the same as that of him who went down to the battle. All will share alike" (I Samuel 30:23-24). Like Paul, who in his farewell address to the Ephesian elders gave them the charge: "Keep watch over yourselves and all the folk of which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers. Be shepherds of the church of God which He bought with His own blood" (Acts 20:28).

Our purpose, however, is not merely to motivate. It is also to network people of like-mindedness, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose with prepared minds for action (Philippians 2:2; 1 Peter 1:13).

Furthermore, Christ's people of like interests around the world have to be identified and brought together in distinct networks. This will help them to learn from each other as they share their experiences: victories won; defeats suffered;

strategies implemented; warnings encountered; and mistakes committed. Such an ongoing exercise will instruct them as to how they can more effectively contribute towards the advance of God's Kingdom through their particular avenues of interest.

Not only should Christ's people of like interests be linked with each other, they should also get to know the significance and composition of other interest groups. To seek out Christians of specific interests, especially in remote and unevangelized lands, is no easy task. But we do believe that Christ has His witnesses everywhere and that, through the help of the Spirit, we will be able to discover them.

Whom does the Movement seek to involve?

The Movement seeks to involve men and women church leaders who are persons with a high degree of commitment to Christ. We are not after men and women who have expertise and skills in specialized areas, but who sadly are spiritually backslidden. We are deeply conscious that the work of the Gospel can easily be discredited by those whose lives defeat the claims that they make for their Master. We recognize that part of the reason for the nominalism, and even inconsistency, may be because of the fact that they hail from churches which are cold and formal.

This underscores the need for spiritual renewal and revitalization in our churches. Though this is not expressly stated in the Purpose Statement, it undoubtedly is the primary basic assumption.

The AD 2000 & Beyond Movement recognizes that only a spiritually awakened church can supply Christians set on fire for God and for His program of world evangelization (Psalms 67:1-2). We believe women and men play an equal part in executing this program. Women in several mission fields outnumber men. The AD 2000 & Beyond Movement is committed to encouraging the potential of Christian women worldwide and harnessing it to the unfinished task before us.

How is the Motivation and Networking of Church Leaders to be done?

Motivating begins by inspiring church leaders with the vision to reach the unreached. Indeed, this is our high calling. While the whole world is their parish, they bear a special responsibility to see that additions to the church are made in their own areas and regions. They have to be taught that "making disciples" involves going to all peoples, sharing the Gospel with them, baptizing them into the name of the Triune God and teaching them to observe all things pertaining to the Kingdom, such as values, outreach, essence, community and stewardship (Matthew 28:19-20; 7:28; 11:1; 13:53; 19:1; and 26:1).

Before they are inspired with the vision of the fulfillment of the Great Commission, there is, however, a prior vision by which they need to be gripped. And that's the vision of the incarnate, crucified, resurrected, ascended, exalted,

interceding and returning Christ (John 1:14; Acts 2:23-24; Luke 24:51; Ephesians 1:20-22; Hebrews 7:25; John 14:3).

How are We to Inspire Them with the Vision of Reaching Unreached?

Consultations, prayer efforts and written materials are typically the ways used to inspire the vision of reaching the unreached by AD 2000.

The Book of Acts speaks of consultations among the apostles and disciples, to choose a replacement for Judas Iscariot (1:21-22); to solve a food distribution problem in the church (6:1-7); and to consider the question as to whether the Gentile converts should be bound by the requirements of the Mosaic law (15:1- 12).

Hence, **consultations** within the Body of Christ are a necessary exercise from time to time. These afford an opportunity to study various issues such as the context of the church seen from different perspectives; the status of the unreached people groups; models of evangelism that have proved fruitful elsewhere; strategies to be used in areas both responsive and resistant; and the setting up of faith goals for the year 2000.

If these consultations are to bear lasting fruit, they will need to be preceded, covered and followed by the **work of prayer**. We believe that prayer is the primary source for the enlistment of God's power as the propelling energy of the AD 2000 & Beyond Movement and its every limb of activity. We are also committed to promoting united prayer around the world, especially in our cities where we long to see the establishment of God's Kingdom. We go to God confidently because our Movement is in harmony with the will of God. Since the Movement's ultimate goal is God's own goal, we know God's smile of approval will rest on our undertaking. And God's goal is that all peoples should be saved and come to a knowledge of the truth (1 Timothy 2:3); that none should perish, and that everyone should come to repentance (2 Peter 3:9).

We desire that vision-inspiration should be imparted not only through consultations and prayer efforts, but also through **written materials**. "Write the vision," the Lord said, "Write the revelation, my answer on a billboard, large and clear, so that anyone can read it at a glance to tell the others" (Habakkuk 2:2). This was in response to the questions regarding the presence of evil and the seeming prosperity of the wicked. The Word of God records answers to these perplexing questions of Habakkuk, as it also does to the question of all questions: "Good Master, what must I do to have eternal life?" (Matthew 19:16); "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" (Acts 16:30). We have the message of life, the message of forgiveness of sins for all who turn to Christ (Luke 24:47). This is the message concerning which we want our women and men church leaders to get excited and enthused. This we will do by producing materials that will challenge them to lift up their eyes and look on the fields, the vast fields of human souls that are ripening all around them and are now ready for harvest (John 4:35).

PART II: The intention, or the manner as to how the purpose is to be accomplished.

How do we go about it?

The task is accomplished when there is cooperation, not competition. If there is to be a competition, let it be a competition for the second place. Cooperation produces a variety of fruits, one of them being a sharing of burdens. The Gospel tells us how four men carried a paralytic to Jesus. Think of the efforts taken by these four men. They carried the paralytic over an unspecified distance; they made an opening in the roof above Jesus; they dug through the roof; they lowered the mat on which the paralyzed man was lying. This took labor, time and perhaps even money.

This was a task for which four men were needed. Three could not have managed it. Three could have made a valiant struggle, but they could not have completed the task of bringing the paralytic to Christ. And we are told that when Jesus saw the faith of these four men, He pronounced forgiveness of sins to the paralytic (Luke 5:17-20).

Encouraging Cooperation Among Whom?

Among existing churches, movements and structures. The task is much too big for any single unit to go at it by itself. The burden has to be shared; labor has to be divided; unreached people groups adopted; colonies of cities targeted, etc.

The AD 2000 & Beyond Movement is committed to working among existing bodies. It is not for starting anything new; it sees itself as a facilitator or enabler or, more importantly, as an encourager. Like Judas and Silas who said much to encourage and strengthen the Gentile believers (Acts 15:32).

Why Encourage Cooperation?

In order that the various units of the total body of Christ in a given area work together towards the vision of fulfilling the Great Commission. When the fishermen-disciples let down the nets at the bidding of Jesus, the nets were so full that they began to tear. "So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them, and they came and filled both boats so full that they began to sink" (Luke 5:7). All of us are indispensable to each other; all of us are dependent on each other (1 Corinthians 12:14-22).

***PART III: The expected result or outcome;
what we envisage will emerge when the
purpose is accomplished.***

What do we envisage will emerge when the purpose is accomplished? Certain actions should produce certain results. The Lord charged Moses to have a sanctuary made for Himself by the Israelites. The Lord said that He would dwell among them and that the tabernacle and all its furnishings were to be made exactly like the pattern that He would show them. The Lord asked Moses to receive offerings in gold, silver, bronze and materials from the people (Exodus 25:1-9), and then the Lord filled Bezalel with the Spirit of God and gave him and other craftsmen all the required skills to make the Tent of Meeting and its accessories. This they did and out came the Tabernacle (Exodus 31:1-11).

Likewise, Solomon, in order to build a temple for the Name of the Lord, had to make preparations, including fetching cedar and pine logs from Hiram, King of Tyre. Hiram's men hauled the timber from Lebanon to the sea and then floated rafts to the place where Solomon wanted. It took seven years to complete building the temple. Plans had to be made and projects done, before the temple emerged (2 Kings 6:1-38).

***What is the
Expected
Result?***

The expected result is a mission-minded church planting movement. What we are longing to see is that our churches would become reproducing churches. Churches giving birth to daughter churches around the world. That will not happen unless our churches are consumed with a zeal for missions. In essence, it would mean that every Christian conceives of himself or herself as a missionary, and of every non-Christian as a mission field. This brings us to the next question:

***Where are we hoping
to see church planting
to take place?***

We are hoping to see church planting occur in everywhere there is no church and in particular, within every one of the 2000 least evangelized people groups (under 2% Christian) and every one of the 1000 least evangelized cities. Undoubtedly a more workable strategy than "every Christian a missionary; every non-Christian a mission field" is the establishment of a mission-minded church planting movement within every unreached and unevangelized people and city. The expression "mission-minded" denotes a wider ministry than just "mission-minded." We have in mind a truly holistic ministry which combines evangelism and social service into an integrated strategy.

By "unreached," we mean the two billion or more who have probably not even heard the name of our Blessed Savior. They do not live within reach of Christians of their own people. Hence, they are isolated from experiencing the saving grace and love of Christ. But these two unreached billion live in distinct groups of peoples. Each of these is a large ethnolinguistic grouping of people who share a similar

overall culture and a common language. We believe that some from every one of these groupings will stand before the throne and in front of the Lamb someday (Revelation 7:9).

By "unevangelized" we mean the people who have a minimal knowledge of the Gospel. They have heard of Jesus Christ, but they do not know who He is. They may know about Him as a great teacher or prophet, but are strangers to the fact that He is God manifest in the flesh (1 Timothy 3:16), fully God and fully man. The majority among them may even have heard of Christmas, which as one great man had said was an invention of brewers to sell their liquor and the poulterers to sell their turkeys. They may even be living among those who call themselves as Christians, but these Christians have never troubled themselves to share the Gospel with those who live around them. The most unevangelized countries number 55 according to one count.

The AD 2000 & Beyond Movement under God wants to be the catalytic agent to bring about a mission-minded church planting movement within every unreached and unevangelized people, not excluding cities, the new frontier of missions. The cities today, in an increasing measure, are drawing peoples of all communities belonging to a country. We recognize that the key to evangelization of nations that dot the world map may well be in reaching out to the peoples of our cities.

By when?

By AD 2000, we are desirous that a mission-minded church planting movement be established among all peoples. There's a two-fold reason behind setting this time frame. First, so that it may give us an impetus to get the job done by the year 2000. Second, so that the Movement as it is at the present time may not perpetuate itself beyond AD 2000. It is implied that we are guarding ourselves against the tendency to create programs and projects in order to keep the movement going beyond AD 2000, and that we intend ceasing to exist beyond AD 2000. Solomon, the Teacher, says: "There is a time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to uproot" (Ecclesiastes 3:2).

Why a Mission-Minded Church Planting Movement?

This is to be a mission-minded church planting movement so that all peoples might have a valid opportunity; so that we may declare to them that the time of God's favor had come to them, and that now was their day of salvation (2 Corinthians 6:2). We want the opportunity we present to them to be not just a fleeting, but a valid opportunity; that is, one that has force, weight and cogency (the power of producing belief). These imply repetition of gospel facts. Indeed, truth bears repetition.

A Valid Opportunity for What?

We desire that all peoples might have a valid opportunity to experience the love, truth and power of Jesus Christ in fellowship with believers. Only a personal encounter with the crucified and resurrected Christ can cause one to experience of His love, truth and saving power. We have in mind the love that Christ bore towards

His disciples (John 13:34; 17:10); friends (John 11:3, 35-36); hungry multitudes (Matthew 14:13-21; Mark 8:1-9); sinners (Luke 23:53; John 8:1-11); enemies (Luke 23:34); future believers (John 17:22-24); and the city of Jerusalem (Luke 13:31-35; Matthew 23:37-39).

When we refer to Christ's truth, we speak of His unique claim that He Himself is the Truth (John 14:6) and the forthright declaration He made to those Jews who had come to believe on Him: "Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." (John 8:32) Christ as Truth could teach with great authority (Luke 4:31-37); could teach about the way to heaven (Matthew 7:13-14); could teach about the Kingdom of God (Luke 13:18-21) and its coming (Luke 17:20-37); could refer to Himself as the true bread from heaven (John 6:33-35); could warn against wrong teaching (Matthew 16:5-12); could warn of coming judgment (John 8:23); and could boldly claim that He is eternal (John 8:48-59).

When we refer to Christ's power, we speak of His power over diseases (Luke 4:46-54; Matthew 8:14-17; Luke 5:12-16; John 5:1-15; Luke 6:6-11; Matthew 9:2,6; Matthew 9:27-34; Mark 6:53-56; Mark 8:22-26; Luke 17:11-19; Luke 18:35-43; Luke 22:51).

When we refer to Christ's power, we speak too of His power over death (Luke 7:11-17; Matthew 9:25; John 11:43-44; Mark 8:31; Mark 9:31; Mark 10:34; 1 Corinthians 15:4).

When we refer to Christ's power, we speak also of His power over natural elements (John 2:1-12; Mark 4:35-41; Matthew 14:22-33).

When we refer to Christ's power, we speak too of His power over demons (Luke 8:26-39; Matthew 15:28; Matthew 17:14-21).

But then, above all, when we refer to Christ's power, we speak of His ability to deliver us from the penalty of our past sins, from the power of our present sin, and from the very presence of sin in the future (Romans 4:24; Hebrews 7:25; Ephesians 5:27).

Furthermore, we want all peoples to have a valid opportunity to experience the love, truth and saving power of Jesus Christ in fellowship with believers. If a single person, transformed by Christ's saving power, can make a telling impact on those around him, how much more shall a community of those who live day by day under the reign of Christ, the King, affect the society around us! The effect of a corporate testimony is reminiscent of the blessings that accrue to the obedient, "...five of you shall chase an hundred and an hundred of you shall put ten thousand to flight; and your enemies shall fall before you by the sword." (Leviticus 26:8). If five should chase an hundred, then an hundred should chase just two thousand. Instead, God's people were promised a victory over ten thousand. Not an arithmetical, but a geometrical return. Similar indeed is the power of corporate testimony. That we believe is the longing of Christ who wishes to reincarnate Himself in the life of His people. He prayed twice, "I in them, I in them" (John 17:23,26). The Father will answer His Son's prayer. Can it be otherwise?

North East Asia

- 1.China, People's Republic
- 2.China, Taiwan
- 3.Hong Kong
- 4.Japan
- 5.South Korea
- 6.North Korea
- 7.Macau
- 8.Mongolia

South East Asia

- 1.Brunei
- 2.Cambodia
- 3.Indonesia
- 4.Laos
- 5.Malaysia
- 6.Myanmar(Burma)
- 7.Philippines
- 8.Singapore
- 9.Thailand
- 10.Vietnam

South Asia

- 1.Afghanistan
- 2.Bangladesh
- 3.Bhutan
- 4.India
- 5.Maldives
- 6.Nepal
- 7.Pakistan
- 8.Sri Lanka

Middle East

- 1.Algeria
- 2.Bahrain
- 3.Cyprus
- 4.Egypt
- 5.Iran
- 6.Iraq
- 7.Jordan
- 8.Kuwait
- 9.Lebanon
- 10.Libya
- 11.Mauritania
- 12.Morocco
- 13.Oman

14. Qatar
15. Saudi Arabia
16. Sudan
17. Syria
18. Tunisia
19. Turkey
20. United Arab Emirates
21. Western Sahara
22. Yemen

North America

1. Canada
2. Greenland
3. Saint Pierre & Miquelon
4. United States

Former USSR

1. Armenia
2. Azerbaijan
3. Byelarus
4. Estonia
5. Georgia
6. Kazakhstan
7. Kyrgyzstan
8. Latvia
9. Lithuania
10. Moldavia
11. Russia
12. Tadjikistan
13. Turkmenistan
14. Ukraina
15. Uzbekistan

Eastern Europe

1. Albania
2. Bosnia & Herzegovina
3. Bulgaria
4. Croatia
5. Czech Republic
6. Hungary
7. Macedonia *
8. Poland
9. Romania
10. Slovakia
11. Slovenia
12. Yugoslavia

Western Europe

1. Andorra

- 2.Austria
- 3.Belgium
- 4.Channel Islands
- 5.Denmark
- 6.Faeroe Islands
- 7.Finland
- 8.France
- 9.Gaza Strip *
- 10.Germany
- 11.Gibraltar
- 12.Greece
- 13.Iceland
- 14.Ireland
- 15.Isle of Man
- 16.Israel
- 17.Italy
- 18.Liechtenstein
- 19.Luxembourg
- 20.Malta
- 21.Monaco
- 22.Netherlands
- 23.Norway
- 24.Portugal
- 25.San Marino
- 26.Spain
- 27.Sweden
- 28.Switzerland
- 29.United Kingdom
- 30.West Bank *

Latin America

- 1.Argentina
- 2.Belize
- 3.Bolivia
- 4.Brazil
- 5.Chile
- 6.Colombia
- 7.Costa Rica
- 8.Ecuador
- 9.El Salvador
- 10.Guatemala
- 11.Honduras
- 12.Mexico
- 13.Nicaragua
- 14.Panama
- 15.Paraguay
- 16.Peru
- 17.Uruguay
- 18.Venezuela

Caribbean

- 1.Anguilla
- 2.Antigua & Barbuda
- 3.Aruba
- 4.Bahamas
- 5.Barbados
- 6.Bermuda
- 7.British Virgin Islands
- 8.Cayman Islands
- 9.Cuba
- 10.Dominica
- 11.Dominican Republic
- 12.French Guiana
- 13.Grenada
- 14.Guadeloupe
- 15.Guyana
- 16.Haiti
- 17.Jamaica
- 18.Martinique
- 19.Montserrat
- 20.Netherlands Antilles
- 21.Puerto Rico
- 22.Saint Christopher & Nevis
- 23.Saint Lucia
- 24.Saint Martins
- 25.Saint Vincent & the
Grenadines
- 26.Suriname
- 27.Trinidad & Tobago
- 28.Turks & Caicos Islands
- 29.Virgin Islands of the United States

Africa (South of the Sahara)

- 1.Angola
- 2.Benin
- 3.Botswana
- 4.Burkina Faso
- 5.Burundi
- 6.Cameroon
- 7.Cape Verde
- 8.Central African Republic
- 9.Chad
- 10.Comoros
- 11.Congo
- 12.Cote d'Ivoire
- 13.Djibouti
- 14.Equatorial Guinea
- 15.Ethiopia
- 16.Gabon
- 17.Gambia
- 18.Ghana
- 19.Guinea

20. Guinea-Bissau
21. Kenya
22. Lesotho
23. Liberia
24. Madagascar
25. Malawi
26. Mali
27. Mauritius
28. Mayotte
29. Mozambique
30. Namibia
31. Niger
32. Nigeria
33. Reunion
34. Rwanda
35. Saint Helena
36. Sao Tome & Principe
37. Senegal
38. Seychelles
39. Sierra Leone
40. Somalia
41. South Africa
42. Swaziland
43. Tanzania
44. Togo
45. Uganda
46. Zaire
47. Zambia
48. Zimbabwe

South Pacific

1. American Samoa
2. Australia
3. Cook Islands
4. Fiji
5. French Polynesia
6. Guam
7. Kiribati (Gilbert)
8. Marshall Islands (Ellice)
9. Micronesia
10. Nauru
11. New Caledonia
12. New Zealand
13. Northern Mariana Islands
14. Palau
15. Papua New Guinea
16. Solomon Islands
17. Tonga
18. Tuvalu
19. Vanuatu
20. Wallis & Futuna
21. Western Samoa

* Disputed Areas

Great Commission manifest

GCOWE 89 in Singapore

We, the 314 participants from 50 nations gathered for the Global Consultation for World Evangelization by AD 2000 and Beyond, come from many different churches, denominations and ministries under the direction of the Holy Spirit for what we consider to be a singular moment in the history of the Church.

We identify ourselves as a gathering of Christians who by faith alone has accepted Jesus Christ, true God and true man, revealed in the infallible and holy Scriptures as our Lord and Savior. We are committed to biblical righteousness in our behavior and to growth in holiness.

We gratefully acknowledge the worldwide witness and ministry of faithful men and women throughout the previous 20 centuries.

We humbly confess our pride, prejudice, competition and disobedience that have hindered our generation from effectively working at the task of world evangelization. These sins have impeded God's desire to spread abroad His gracious provision of eternal salvation through the precious blood of His Son, Jesus Christ.

We turn from these sins and failures to express our belief that God has graciously opened to us a window of opportunity to completing the magnificent task He has given us. We boldly seize this crucial moment, more impressed with God's great power than any force arrayed against us.

Cooperation & Partnership

We have listened to each other and rejoice at what God is doing through many plans for world evangelization. We learned that there are over 2,000 separate plans relating to world evangelization.

We see afresh that cooperation and partnership are absolute necessities if the Great Commission is going to be fulfilled by the Year 2000. For the sake of those who are lost and eternally separated from God, we have dared to pray and dream of what might happen if appropriate autonomy of churches and ministries could be balanced with significant partnership.

Empowerment

We acknowledge that the evangelization of the world can be carried out only in the power of the Holy Spirit. Listening and ready, we declare our dependence upon the Holy Spirit and commit to undergird all efforts for world evangelization with personal and corporate prayer. We recognize that human energy cannot replace divine activity nor can spiritual success be measured in terms of human achievement. The effectiveness of our endeavors does not lie in human expertise but in the sovereign activity of the Holy Spirit.

Compassion

The Good News of Jesus Christ brings special meaning to suffering humanity. God's love brings hope to those who live under the bondage of sin, and who are victims of poverty and injustice. We believe that Christians involved in world evangelization should live among people as servants and minister to the needs of the whole person.

Towards Fulfillment

The revelation of God in Christ is plain. The commission to His Church is clear. The unfinished task is apparent. The opportunity to work together is ours.

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To accomplish this objective, it will be necessary to:

- *Focus particularly on those who have not yet heard the Gospel.
- *Provide every people and population on earth with a valid opportunity to hear the Gospel in a language they can understand. It is our fervent prayer that at least half of humanity will profess allegiance to the Lord Jesus.
- *Establish a mission-minded church planting movement within every unreached people group so that the Gospel is accessible to all people.
- *Establish a Christian community of worship, instruction in the word, healing, fellowship, prayer, disciple making, evangelism, and missionary concern in every human community.

In July 1974 the International Congress on World Evangelization was held in Lausanne, Switzerland, and issued the Lausanne Covenant. Now in July 1989 over 3,000 of us from about 170 countries have met in Manila for the same purpose, and have issued the Manila Manifesto. We are grateful for the welcome we have received for our Filipino brothers and sisters.

During the 15 years which have elapsed between the two congresses some smaller consultations have been held on topics like the Gospel and Culture, Evangelism and Conversion. These meetings and their reports have helped to develop the thinking of the Lausanne movement.

A "manifesto" is defined as a public declaration of convictions, intentions and motives. The Manila Manifesto takes up the two congress themes, "Proclaim Christ until he comes," and "Calling the Whole Church to take the Whole Gospel to the Whole World." Its first part is a series of 21 succinct affirmations. Its second part elaborates these in 12 sections, which are commended to churches, alongside the Lausanne Covenant, for study and action.

The following is an excerpt from Point C, *The Whole World*, taken from *The Manila Manifesto* of the Lausanne II conference.

The Challenge of AD 2000 and Beyond

The world population today is approaching 6 billion. One third of them nominally confess Christ. For the remaining four billion, half have heard of Him and the other half have not. In the light of these figures, we evaluate our evangelistic task by considering four categories of people.

First, there is the potential missionary work force, ***the committed***. In this century this category of Christian believers has grown from about 40 million in 1900 to about 500 million today, and at this moment is growing over twice as fast as any other major religious group.

Secondly, there are ***the uncommitted***. They make a Christian profession (they have been baptized, attend church occasionally and even call themselves Christians), but the notion of a personal commitment to Christ is foreign to them. They are found in all churches throughout the world. They urgently need to be re-evangelized.

Thirdly, there are ***the unevangelized***. These are people who have a minimal knowledge of the Gospel, but have had no valid opportunity to respond to it. They are probably within reach of Christian people if only these will go to the next street, road, village or town to find them.

Fourthly, there are ***the unreached***. These are the two billion who may never have heard of Jesus as Savior, and are not within reach of Christians of their own people or nationalities in which there is not yet a vital, indigenous church movement. We find it helpful to think of them as belonging to smaller "people groups" which perceive themselves as having an affinity with each other (e.g., a common culture, language, home or occupation). The most effective messengers to reach them will be those believers who already belong to their culture and sacrificially identifying with the people they long to reach for Christ.

There are now about 12,000 such unreached people groups within the 2,000 larger peoples, so that the task is not impossible. Yet at present only 7% of all missionaries are engaged in this kind of outreach, while the remaining 93% are working in the already evangelized half of the world. If this imbalance is to be redressed, a strategic redeployment of personnel will be necessary.

A distressing factor that affects each of the above categories is that of inaccessibility. Many countries do not grant visas to self-styled missionaries, who have no other qualification or contribution to offer. Such areas are not absolutely inaccessible, however. For our prayers can pass through every curtain, door and barrier. And Christian radio and television, audio and video cassettes, films and literature can also reach the otherwise unreachable. So can so-called "tent-makers" who like Paul earn their own living. They travel in the course of their profession (e.g., business people, university lecturers, technical specialists and language teachers) and use every opportunity to speak of Jesus Christ. They do not enter a country under false pretenses, for their work generally takes them there; it is simply that witness is an essential component of their Christian lifestyle, wherever they may happen to be. We are deeply ashamed that nearly two millennia have passed since the death and resurrection of Jesus, and still two-thirds of the world's population have not acknowledged him. On the other hand, we are amazed that the mounting evidence of God's power even in the most unlikely places of the globe.

Now the year 2000 has become for many a challenging milestone. ***Can we commit ourselves to evangelize the world during the last decade of this millennium?*** There is nothing magical about the date, yet should we not do our best to reach this goal? Christ commands us to take the gospel to all people. The task is urgent. We are determined to obey Him with joy and hope.

Prayerful Outcomes

As Christians work through separate but cooperative programs, it is hoped that the body of Christ would realize these outcomes:

- *Mobilization of united prayer efforts in every country of the world. Engagement in cooperative ministry efforts to reach the 2000 unreached peoples (less than 2% Christian).
- *Revitalization of the church leaders for lay mobilization and church renewal.
- *Establishment of an evangelical congregation within easy access of every person in the world.
- *Penetration and evangelization of the unevangelized world by creative missionary methods, such as non-residential missionaries, tent-makers, international returnees and sports evangelism.
- *Equipping of key leadership in every country to develop and implement an effective cross-cultural missionary training program.
- *Establishment of permanent national missiological research functions in every country of the world.
- *Assessment of the progress of evangelization among 2000 unreached peoples under 2% Christian and the 10/40 Window world.
- *Engagement in cooperative ministry efforts to reach 2000 unreached peoples (less than 2% Christian).
- *Provision for a valid opportunity for every person to hear the gospel in a language they can understand.
- *Establishment of a church planting movement within every unreached people group and city in the country/region.
- *Development of the innate and spiritual gifts of God's people everywhere, and in particular, women and young people for world evangelization.

Vision

A church for every people
and the Gospel for every person
by AD 2000.

Purpose

In a spirit of servanthood, the AD 2000 & Beyond Movement seeks to encourage, motivate and network men and women church leaders by inspiring them with the vision of reaching the unreached by the year 2000 thru consultations, prayer efforts and written materials.

The intention is to encourage cooperation among existing churches, movements and structures to work together towards this same vision.

The expected result is the establishment of a mission-minded church planting movement within every unreached and unevangelized people and city by AD 2000 so that all peoples might have a valid opportunity to experience the love, truth and saving power of Jesus Christ in a fellowship with other believers.



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