Missions

4th AIM of UESI

"To present God's missionary command and so to help students discover and obey his will for them at home and abroad in world evangelization."

What is mission (s)

Mission means 'sending' proceeds from the plan and purpose of God.

Jesus said, "As the Father has sent me, so I am sending you" (Jn.20:21)

Father has sent Jesus Christ. So He becomes the Primary, divine missionary.

Jesus inturn sent disciples which made them as missionaries of the Gospel.

- Mission is a divine enterprise, and it embraces the plan of God for everyone of His children.
- All the believers have special roles to play in Missions.
- God has appointed a time and place for everyone.
- Our highest duty in life is to find the will of God for us within His plan and carry it.

Biblical basis:

- We are Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making His appeal through us (2Cor.5:20).
- Whoever accepts anyone I send, accepts me, and whoever accepts me, accepts the one who sent me" (Jn.13:20)
- Jesus said: Go and make disciples... 'Go' in original Greek expresses great "urgency".
- For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the God. Hab.2:14.

- I have other sheep which are not of this pen.... Jn,10:14.
- I have made thee a watchman....Eze.3:17
- The supreme task of the Church is the evangelization of the world. – Oswald J Smith.
- I saw a great crowd of people from every nation.... Rev.7:9

World wide challenges:

a) Population growth:

From 300 million in1st century to 6-billions.

- b) **Population movements**:
 - i. Migration to the cities
 - ii. Migration from one country to another
 - iii. Refugees, victims of war, political struggle, victims of natural disaster, drought.
 - iv.International students.

c) Doors that suddenly open.

There is no door too difficult for God to open. God works according to His schedule and in His own way.

d) Cultural barriers:

Go and make disciples of all nations, nations is from "panta ta ethne" ancient Greek which means 'all people, races, tribes.

e) **The strength of non-christians** viz, Islam, buddhism, Hinduism etc.

f) Poverty is increasing:

g) Children and young people make up half the population of the world.

Please think:

Most of the world's population has heard of Pepsi or Coke or Colgate, which came into existence in less than 50 years ago, but

I have failed to tell the Love of Jesus to this entire world even after 2000 years.

Purpose

To understand the Mission, God has given to the local church and all believers in Christ.

- Mission: Isa. 43:17, 1 Chr16:24,
 Mt.5:16.
- Mandate: Mt.28:18-20.

The five Great Commission references:

a) Mt. 28:18-20

- b) Mark 16:9-20
- c) Luke 24:46 ff d) John 20:19-23
- e) Acts 1:2,3,8.

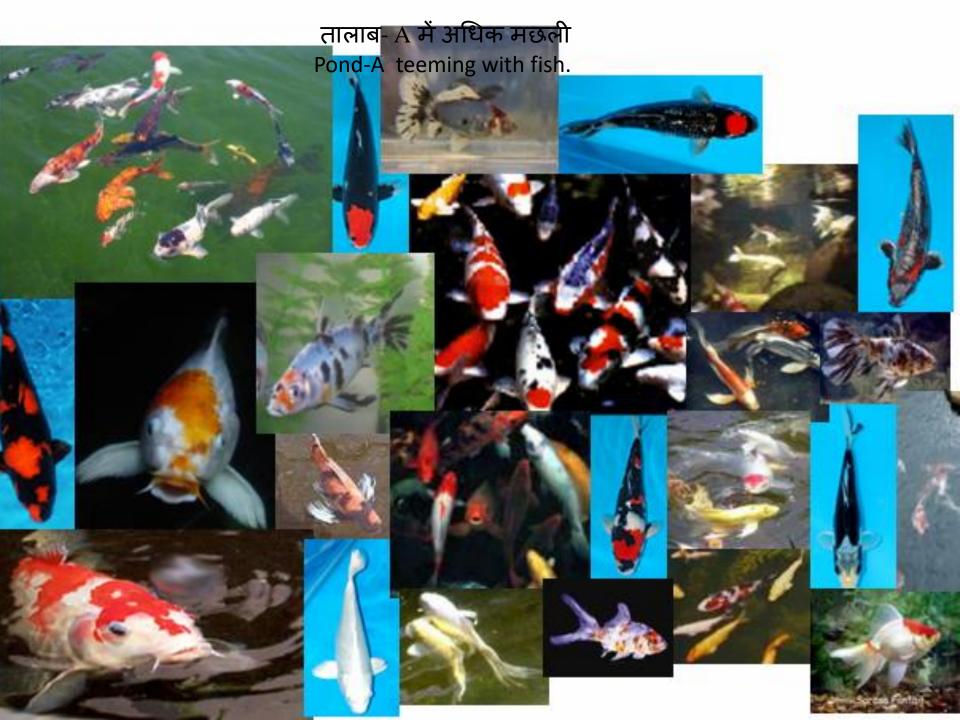
How do you achieve

(Matt. 28:18-20, Eph. 4:11-12)

- □ Equipping members.
- Orienting new members.
- Training Leaders.
- Make disciples.
- Disciples training & multiply.

Who are we? 1 Pet 2:9

- □ Chosen People:
- Royal Priesthood what do we do as the royal priesthood?
- Holy Nation
 When are we in the Holy Kingdom?
- A people belonging to God
- □ That we may declare His praises.







Please think & act

- Use your gifts for the Great Commission purposes.
- Writers can inspire & communicate God's work to the Church at large.
- Musicians can compose Gospel songs, Mission songs for adults and children.
- Artists can create posters for awareness, special effects, for thinkers and seekers.
- Desk top publishers can create brochures & tracts of Gospels.
- Administrators can help co-ordinate special mission functions.
- The gift of hospitality can be used to bless missionaries, needy people in your area.
 - The list goes on......

Are you ready for God's work

- God can make, create a mighty army with dead and dry bones. Eze 37:9-10.
- God is addressing you and me as Ambassadors of Christ. 2-Cor.5:20.
- I will build my church upon this rock. The gates of hell shall not prevail against it.
- Let the Hell be emptied and heaven to make full.
- Give me Scotland or I will die.
- He is no fool who looses what he cannot keep....
- Christianity without Christians.

How to Reach India

In our generation, it is possible to reach India with the Gospel.

- Accept the responsibility of our Nation.
- 2) Become desperate for our people.
- 3) Pick up the Cross.
- 4) Target the un-reached areas.
- 5) Do the ministry as Jesus taught us and demonstrated.
- 6) Work in Unity.

Cross Cultural Evangelism

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- 5. Challenge Local Churches to send, support with prayer and finances.
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- 7. Work for the co-operation of different PCAs (Para Church Agencies) with resources.
- 8. Commit ourselves for serious research for Missions and Evangelisation.
- 9. Share the information with other Churches and PCAs.

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How to stimulate / bring revival in our city, state or country? (5 - R)

- Rediscover the Bible (as a Missionary book.)
- Reawaken the Church. (For Evangelism – outreach and Missionary work)
- Reaffirm the priority. (Evangelism & Mission)
- Rebuild the Home base.
- Redirect Spiritual resources to the unfinished task.

Five Questions

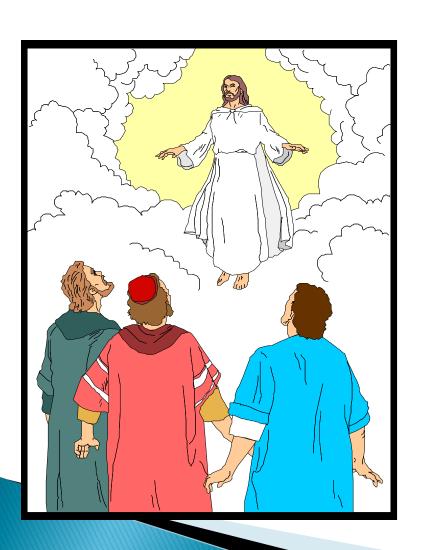
- How many countries are there in the world?
- Which is the fastest growing religions in the world?
- What percentage of the world is still unevangelised?
- Which country is sending the most number of missionaries in Asia?
- Which countries we should focus to reach the world?

So! How to go

God cannot lead you on the basis of facts you don't know

Information
Intercession
Involvement

Go and make disciples



All AUTHORITY in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

Go therefore and make disciples of ALL NATIONS, baptizing them

in the NAME of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.

And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

Mathew 28: 18-20

Where is the unreached living?



Country	# Peoples Total	# Unreached Peoples
India	2348	2128
Pakistan	488	484
China	500	413
Nepal	398	389
Bangladesh	378	354

See What God is Doing

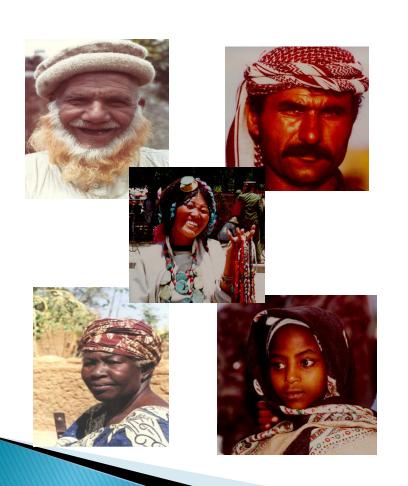


- Open your eyes
- Open your ears
- Open your heart

29 Countries With Less Than 1% Christians

Difficult or dangerous for foreigners	Tent making Possibility	Open Christian Witness
Algeria Bhutan Iran Maldives North Korea Sahara Somalia	Afghanistan Bangladesh Comoros Mauritania Morocco Tunisia Yemen Libya	Cambodia Mongolia Nepal Niger Thailand Turkey

Did we finish our job?



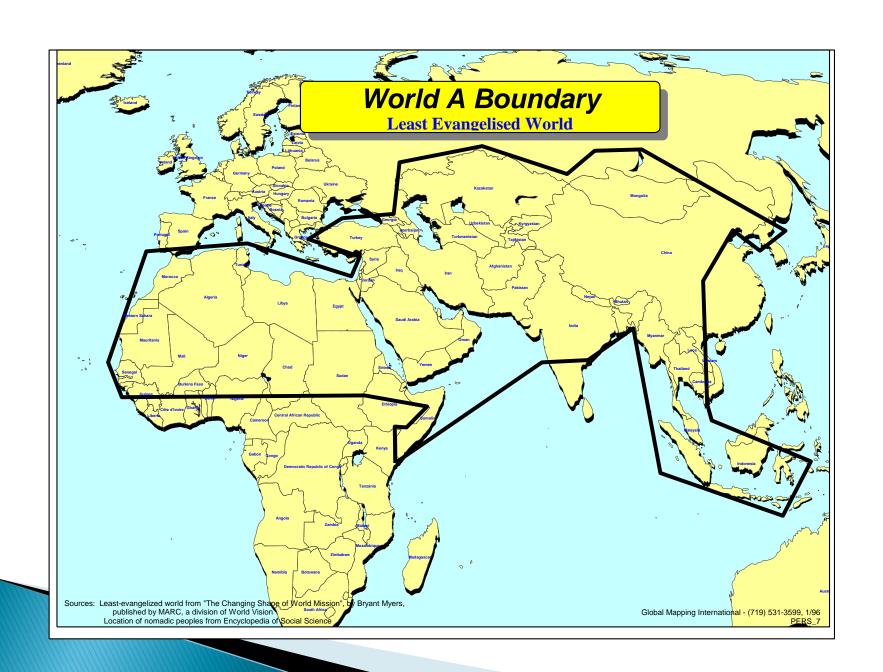
You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slain, and with your blood YOU purchased men for God from every tribe and language and people and nation.

Rev 5: 9

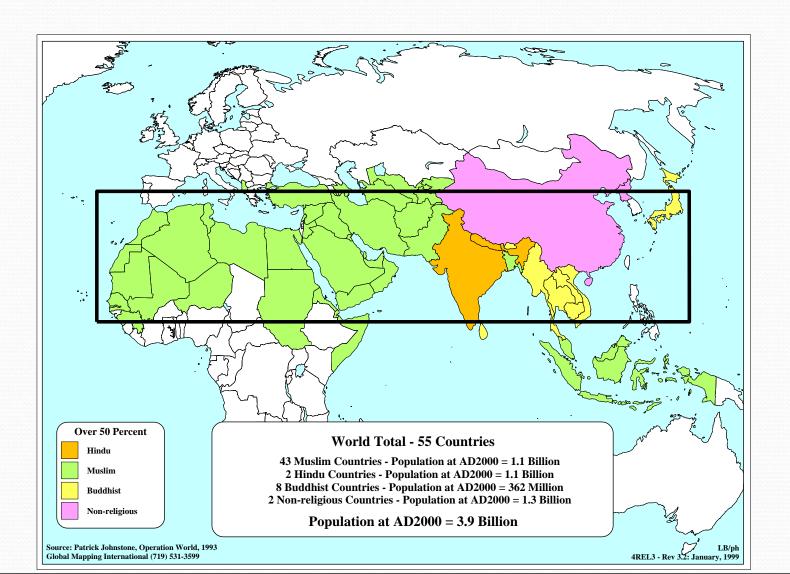
Meaning of all nations



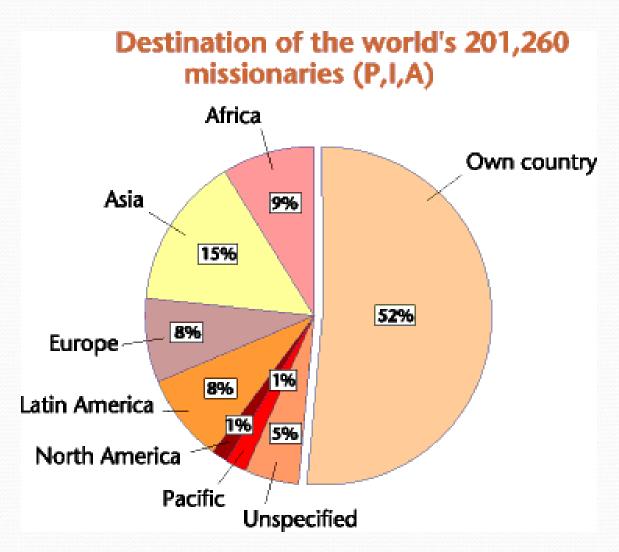
- Make disciples of all nations
- Panta ta ethne
- Panta = all ta = the ethne = nations
- Ethnic comes from Greek word ethnos (singular of ethne)
- NT singular ethnos never refers to Gentile individuals but a people group



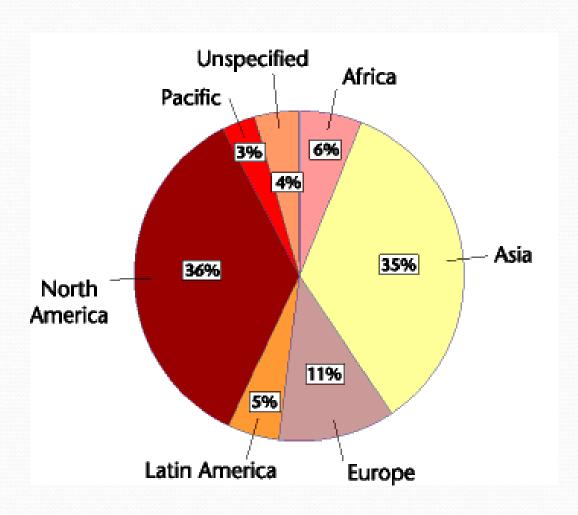
Four Religions



Where are the Missionaries?



Where are the Missionaries coming from



Geographical Challenge



- 87% of the Gentile population live in Asia
- 9%, Gentiles live in North Africa
- More than 50% population in 38 countries do not know the Lord Jesus Christ.

Language Challenge



The New Testament has been translated into the mother tongue of over 80% of the world's population.

But the remaining 20% will require more than 5,500 New translations.

Language Challenge (in India)

- There are more than 40 languages under Hindi.
- Bible needs to be translated into more than 200 languages.
- Language survey required in many pockets.

Spiritual Challenge

- Spiritual Warfare.
- Rise of Persecution

Increasing Terrorism.



Persecution



Religious and Cultural Challenge



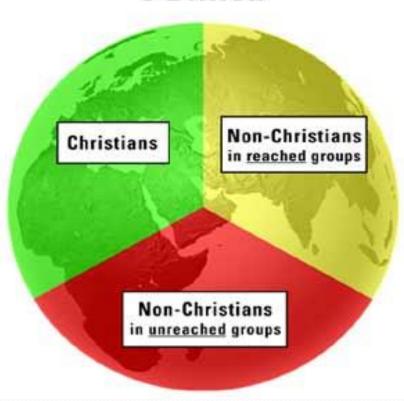
- Sindhis
- Parsis
- Muslims
- Hindus
- Sikhs

Religious Challenge

- Islam: For every million unreached Muslims there are less than 3 missionaries
- Hinduism
- Non religious
- New age movements

World Population

World Population
6 Billion



- Christians
- Non-Christians with access to Gospel
- Non-Christians without access to Gospel

WHAT IS THE VISION OF YOUR CHURCH:

A healthy local church or body of believers walking in obedience to the Word of God will be active in at least 3-major areas:

- a) Local Evangelism and ministry.
- b) Strengthening the global body of Christ.
- c) Reproducing the Church in every Culture.

The result of the Mission is <u>Fellowships</u> and <u>Churches</u> that sing, speak, share and learn about God in their own languages, culture and family structures

- There are so many good things we can do, but we need to be strategic with our time and resources.
- We can not base our decisions on need or on our desire.
- But we must strategically base them on God's priorities.

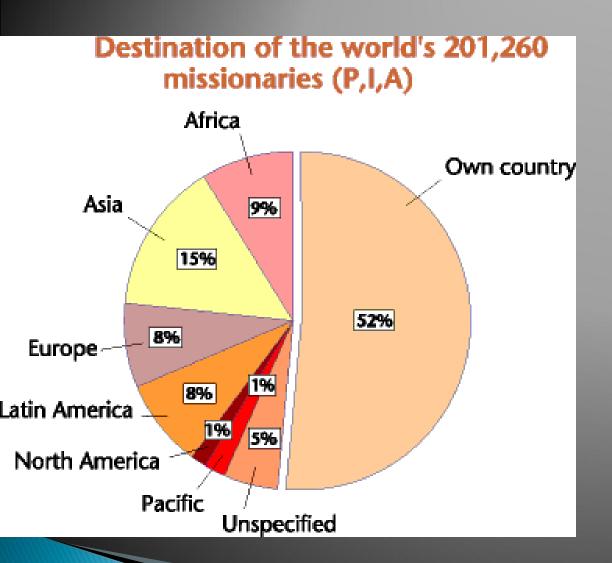
"Only one life, it'll soon be passed; but what's done for Christ will last".

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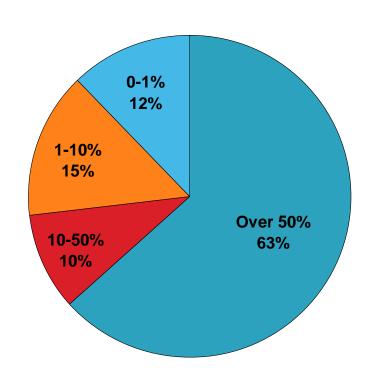
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Where are the Missionaries?





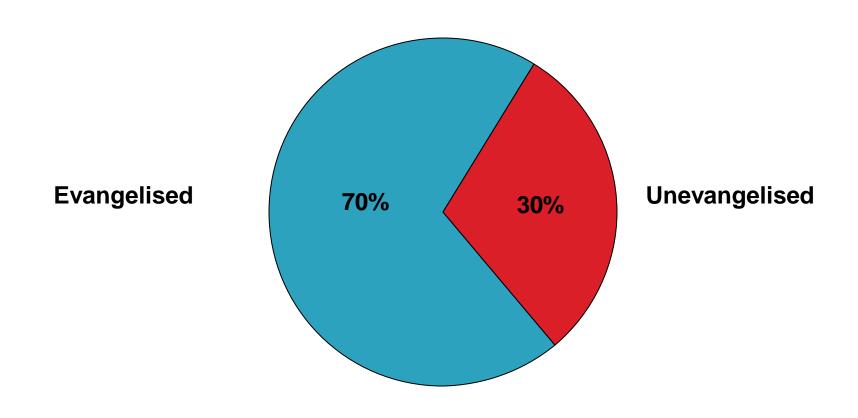
Countries and Christian Percentage



Out of 248 countries in the World

- 150 Countries: Christians over 50%
- 23 Countries: Christians 10-50%
- 35 Countries: Christians 1-10%
- 29 Countries: Christians 0-1%

Evangelisation Status



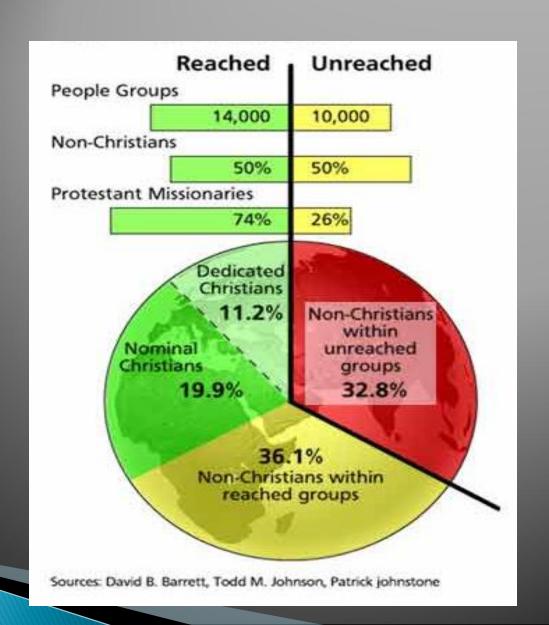
Fishing in the Aquarium?



91% of all Christian outreach / evangelism does not target non-Christians but targets other Christians in the World (countries, cities, peoples, populations, or situations.)

David Barret, World Christian Encyclopaedia
Oxford University Press

The Great Imbalance



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Note that the second second

40% of the church's entire global foreign mission resources are being deployed to just 10 over-saturated countries already possessing strong citizen-run home ministries.

India



<u>Religion in India</u>

Religious Data Composotion 2001		
Religious Composition	Population	(%)
Hindus	827,578,868	80.5%
Muslims	138,188,240	13.4%
Christians	24,080,016	2.3%
Sikhs	19,215,730	1.9%
Buddhists	7,955,207	0.8%
Jains	4,225,053	0.4%
Other religions & persuasions	6,639,626	0.6%
Religion not stated	727,588	0.1%
Total	1,028,610,328	100.0%

The demographics of India

- India is the second most populous country in the world, with over 1.18 billion people (estimate for April, 2010),
- more than a sixth of the world's population
 i.e. 17 .31% of the world's population,
- India is projected to be the world's most populous country by 2025, surpassing China,
 1.6 billion people by 2050.
- However, India has an astonishing demographic dividend where more than 50% of its population is below the age of 25 and more than 65% hovers below the age of 35.

- It is expected that, in 2020, the average age of an Indian will be 29 years, compared to 37 for China and 48 for Japan; and, by 2030,
- India has more than two thousand ethnic groups, and every major religion is represented, as are four major families of languages (Indo-European, Dravidian, Austro-Asiatic and Tibeto-Burman languages) as well as a language isolate (the Nihali language^[4] spoken in parts of

That's the INDIA

- ➤ Jesus calls us to reach with the gospel. More than one billion people live in India. India is the world's largest Hindu nation, the second largest Muslim nation, and the home of Buddhism and Sikhism.
- ➤ India is still a land of buffalo carts even as it develops computers, nuclear power and a space program.
- India makes more movies than Hollywood.
- ➤ About 40% of India's people cannot read.
- Over 600 million live in deep poverty and 300 million below the bread-line.

10 million people in India have AIDS, and the numbers are still rising rapidly. Officially, only 4 percent are Christian.

- Most people in India don't know God's GOOD NEWS for them!
- But God is at work in India today.
 Jesus Christ loves India.
- Millions of people in India are open to Jesus Christ as never before.

God loves India

India, has 16.7% of the estimated 6,055 million global population though it accounts for just 2.4% of the world surface area.

Population: 1,027,015,247

Male: 531,277,078

Female: 495,738,169

Population Growth

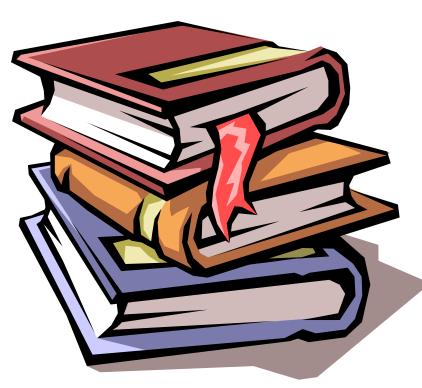


Christian Contribution

- 32,101 Institutions, Educating 95,87838 students
- 6500 Christian Health care Institutions
- 163 leprosy homes
- Christian organisations fund 20% of all primary education, 10% of all literacy programmes and community health care, 25% of all existing care for widows and orphans, and 30% of all the handicapped and lepers.

Quoted from Born to Grow, Light of Life Books, P Abraham

Reading the Word

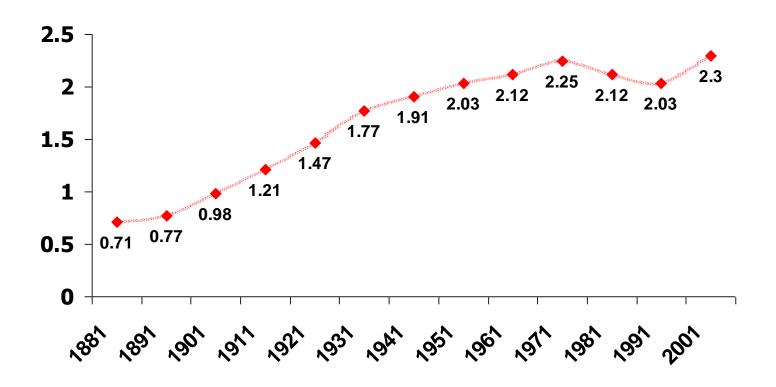


In a society where access to the written word was always strictly controlled by the clammy structures of the Brahminic castes,

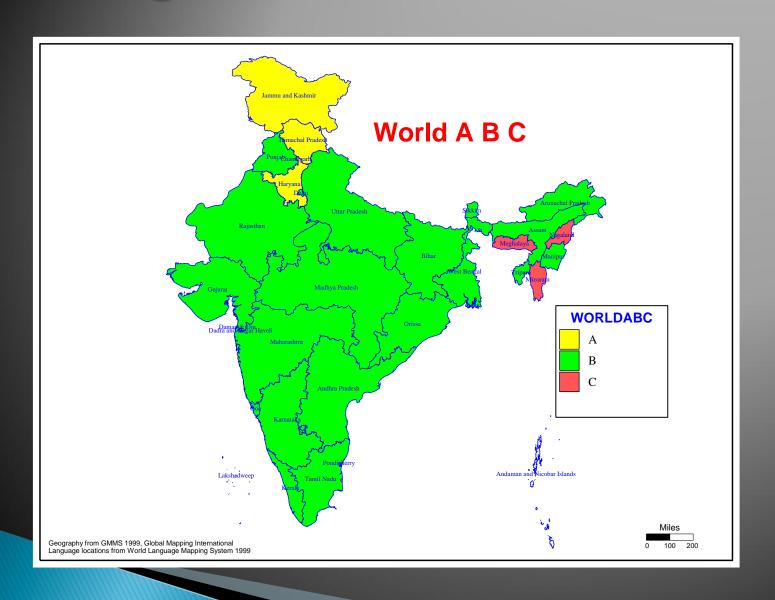
the idea that anyone (regardless of their birth) might actually be able to read for themselves, the word of God was indeed a revolutionary one.

The Ideas that shaped India Sunil Khilnani

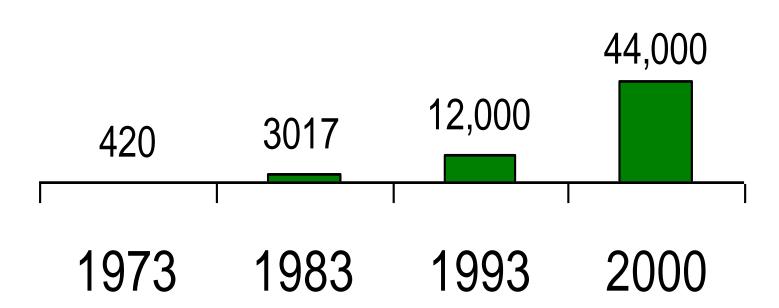
Christian Growth in India



Evangelization Status



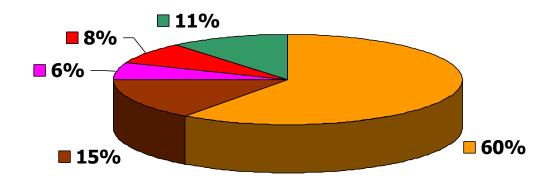
Missionaries in India



Status of Mission work in India

62% of missionaries target 8% Indian population: TRIBALS

2% of Missionaries target 11% of Indian population: MUSLIMS

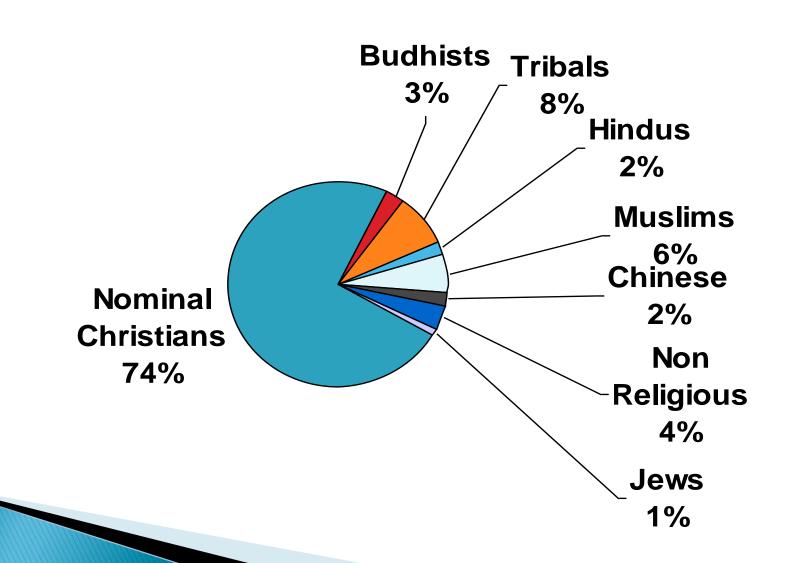


28% of missionaries target 15% of Indian Population: LOW CASTE HINDUS

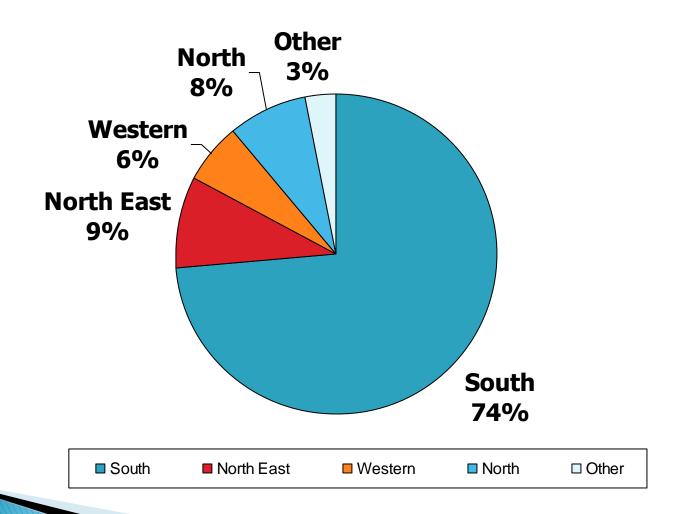
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8% of missionaries target 60% of Indian population: HINDUS

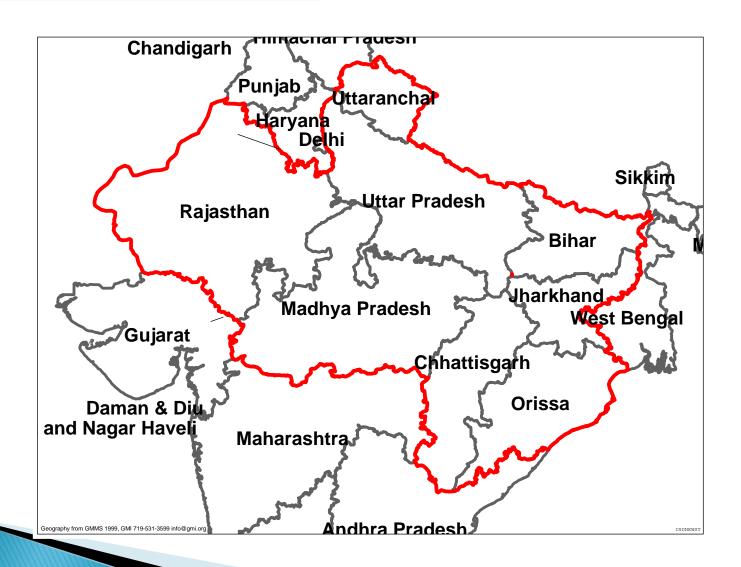
<u>Distribution of Protestant</u> <u>Missionaries Among Cultural Blocks</u>



Protestant Churches in India



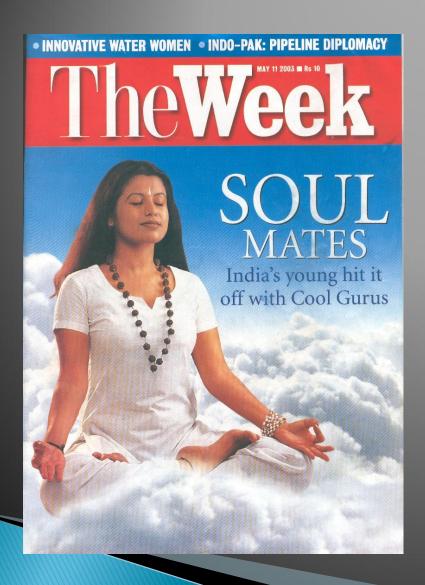
BIMAROU States



UP/BIHAR

- ▶ 60 million poor in the state
- eight per cent of the world's poor live in the state of Uttar Pradesh.
- The literacy level is 47.5 per cent against the national average of 65.2, there is one hospital bed per 3,000 people (national average is 1:1,498), a woman is molested every six hours and someone is killed every two hours.
- 94 per cent of Bihar's villages don't have electricity.
- Very Backward districts

People are searching



How to Respond

- Don't be overwhelmed
- Find your small part
- Start doing small things
- Pray, Give, Share wherever you are.
- Do your part

What to do?

- Love our nation
- Read Ignited Minds, The Great Indian dream
- Fight illiteracy and Health issues
- Join the Civil service, Judiciary
- Start Business in rural areas
- Go as Tentmakers

It can be done and It will be done

It's done

 Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.

 People will bring into it the glory and the honour of the nations

Rev 21: 6; 26

MAY GOD BLESS YOU ABUNDANTLY,

AS YOU LABOUR IN HIS VINEYARD

THANK U

Amen

"When I survey the wondrous Cross" I.M. Rockingham or Hamburg.

When I survey the wondrous Cross
On which the Prince of Glory died,
My riches gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, Save in the death of Christ my God: All the vain things that charm me most I sacrifice them to His blood.

See from His head, His hands, His feet; Sorrow and love flow mingled down; Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

His dying crimson, like a robe, Spreads o'er His body on the tree; Then I am dead to all the globe, And all the globe is dead to me.

Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were a present far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all. "When I survey the wondrous Cross" I.M. Rockingham or Hamburg.

जिस क्र्स पर यीशु मरा था
 वह क्र्स अद्भुत जब देखता हूँ
 संसारी लाभ को टोटा सा
 और यश को निन्दा जानता हूँ।

2 मत फूल जा मेरे मूरख मन इस लोक के सुख और संपत पर हो ख्रीष्ट के मरण से प्रसन्न और उस पर सारी अशा धर।

- 3. देख उसके सिर हाथ पावों के घाव यह कैसा दुःख और कैसा प्यार अनूठा है यह प्रेम स्वभाव अनूप यह जग का तारणहार ।
- 4. जो तीनों लोक दे सकता मैं इस प्रेम के योग्य यह होता क्यूं हे यीशु प्रेमी आप के तई मैं देह और प्राण चढाता हूँ।