

EVERY MEMBER IS A MISSIONARY

*God, be merciful to us and bless us; look on us with kindness, so that the whole world may know your will; so that all nations may know your salvation.*

Psalm 67:2 (TEV)

❖ Our Commitment is to REACH the WORLD:

*"Go and reach all nations..."*

Matthew 28:19a (NIV)

*"... and you shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem, Judea, to Samaria and unto the uttermost parts of the world."*

Acts 1:8 (NIV)

1. Reaching out to this CITY... There are 670,000+ un-churched people in Jacksonville.
  - In 2013 we committed to plant 5 campuses across the city in the next 15 years.
2. Reaching out to NORTH AMERICA... There are over 259 MILLION people without Christ.
  - We are committed to plant 30+ churches across the U.S. and Canada.
3. Reaching out to our WORLD... 2.3 BILLION people have never heard that Jesus saves.
  - Grow and increase our presence in our strategic countries.
4. Developing YOUNG LEADERS... We have a God-given RESPONSIBILITY to TRAIN them.
  - Become intentional in investing in the young leaders God has given us.
  - Our 15 Year Challenge: Our goal is to help reach 8,000... 80,000... 800,000 people.

❖ There is an Enemy BEFORE Us:

*Be careful! Watch out for attacks from the Devil, your great enemy. He prowls around like a roaring lion, looking for some victim to devour.*

1 Peter 5:8 (NLT)

*We don't want Satan to outwit us. After all, we are not ignorant about Satan's scheming.*

2 Corinthians 2:11 (NLT)

1. They are BOUND by FALSE religion – The People of Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism.  
*And no wonder, for Satan himself masquerades as an angel of light.*  
2 Corinthians 11:14 (NIV)

➤ FACT - 1.6 billion Muslims, 1 billion Hindu, 5 million Buddhists.

2. They are BLINDED from the Truth – The People of China & India.

*“Satan, the god of this evil world, has blinded the minds of those who don't believe, so they are unable to see the glorious light of the Good News that is shining upon them. They don't understand the message we preach about the glory of Christ, who is the exact likeness of God.”*

2 Corinthians 4:4 (NLT)

➤ FACT - China – (1.3 billion) 18% Buddhists; 5% Christians; 2% Muslim

➤ FACT - India – (1 billion) 80% Hindu; 13% Muslim; 2% Christian

3. This is our MISSION.

*“... to open their eyes and turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, so that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in Jesus Christ.”*

Acts 26:18 (NIV)

❖ There is an Enemy BEHIND Us:

*“We have met the enemy, and they are us.”*

Anonymous

1. Our COMPLACENCY won't cut it!

*For, as I have often told you before and now say again even with tears, many live as enemies of the cross of Christ. <sup>19</sup>Their destiny is destruction, their god is their stomach, and their glory is in their shame. Their mind is on earthly things.*

Philippians 3:18-19 (NIV)

2. The RESPONSIBILITY is ours!!

*But how can they call on him to save them unless they believe in him? And how can they believe in him if they have never heard about him? And how can they hear about him unless someone tells them?*

Romans 10:14 (NIV)

3. There is an OPPORTUNITY before us!!

*“Do you not say, ‘Four months more and then the harvest’? I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest.”*

John 4:35 (NIV)