# Foundation

The foundation of World Outreach is the written Word of God. Building upon that foundation, we commit ourselves to

- Faithful **proclamation** of the Gospel to the nations until the Lord returns
- Fervent prayer for the evangelization of the world, and
- Active **participation** in that glorious task through ministries of Word and deed.

Seeking to be sensitive and responsive to The Holy Spirit's work throughout the world, we pray that God will use us to

- Gather God's people, scattered among the peoples of the earth, into the Church of **Jesus Christ**
- Establish and develop indigenous reformed churches that relate to one another in a connectional manner and that relate to their context in a Biblically faithful and culturally compelling way
- Identify, train, and develop national leadership from and for indigenous churches
- Equip and motivate indigenous churches to participate in cross-cultural missions.

# Pursuing these goals, we will endeavor to

- Engage the participation of every member of the EPC in fulfilling the goals of our mission.
- Partner with other evangelical churches and organizations to demonstrate the unity of the Body of Christ.
- Administer entrusted resources in an efficient and effective manner with full accountability.
- Provide excellent care for our missionaries, caring for them as family, doing all that we can to ensure their spiritual, physical, and emotional well being as individuals, families, and teams.

**Unengaged people groups** are waiting to hear that there is an answer for their sins, that someone has died on behalf of them, and that they can know God personally.

> Church planting teams made up of Evangelical Presbyterians are called to make known what has thus far been hidden from these people groups.

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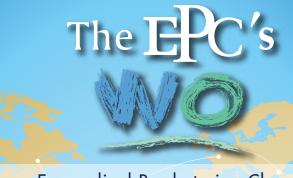
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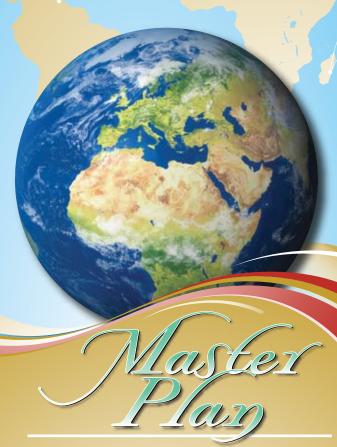
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Evangelical Presbyterian Church's World Outreach



For a 21st Century Missional Ministry

"Expecting great things from God! Attempting great things for God!" William Carey



# Vision

World Outreach is the mission mobilizing and sending arm of the Evangelical Presbyterian church.

Our principal calling is to the work of *full-cycle church planting* among unengaged/unreached people groups, with a particular focus on Muslims.

We will also pursue strategic partnerships that advance the full cycle of church planting where the church has already been established but has not yet grown to maturity and we will pursue ministries which support and equip our missionary church planters and national church leaders and which mobilize the peoples and churches of the EPC with a compelling mission vision.



### I. Church Planting among Muslim Peoples

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#### A. World Outreach Church Planting Teams among Muslim Peoples

#### Current:

• Africa • Central Asia • Middle East • Southeast Asia • South Asia

#### Strategic initiative:

• Engage 2025 - Ten new EPC presbytery church plants by the year 2025 among unengaged Muslim peoples



- B. Church Planting Teams in Partnership with other Mission Agencies among Muslim Peoples
- C. Ministry Among Muslims in the United States

#### II. Strategic Church Planting Ministries/Partnerships

World Outreach has defined strategic ministries and partnerships in which we have an opportunity to advance the full cycle of church planting.

"We will also pursue strategic ministries and partnerships that will advance the full cycle of church planting where the church has already been established but has not yet grown to maturity. Additionally, we will endeavor to train these existing churches to minister beyond themselves to unengaged/unreached people groups"

### The following ministries are strategic areas of emphasis of World Outreach:

Overseas International Churches, Post-Christian and Muslim Peoples in Europe, Theological Education for National Church Leaders

## III. Missions Mobilization and Personnel Development

### A. Mission Personnel Development

This area of emphasis focuses on training and equipping our missionaries and the national church leaders with whom we may partner.

# **B.** Missions Vision Development

This area of emphasis focuses on promoting a missions vision within the denomination, and nurturing missions consciousness and excellence in EPC churches and presbyteries, enabling the EPC to truly be a missional church.

## C. Missionary Care

We are committed to providing excellent care for our missionaries to ensure their spiritual, physical and emotional well-being as individuals, families and teams. This commitment will be evident as the staff of the EPC's World Outreach and the World Outreach Committee establishes direct and intentional contact with each of our missionaries, including visiting them on their fields of ministry when possible. We will promote their financial and project needs to churches and presbyteries.