

Missions 2014

- I. Matt 24:14 “And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come.
- A. You and I have been given a tremendous responsibility in regards to ushering in what Jesus called “ **THE END**” ...”**THEN THE END SHALL COME**”
1. Our Lord was speaking of the end of this present world
 - a. and all of the events that lead up in what Jesus also calls: “**THE LAST DAYS** before His return
- B. That **responsibility** is: “this Gospel must be preached in all the world as a witness To all nations”
1. **Gospel**: the good news of Jesus Christ: the Lamb of God who takes away the Sins of the world” Jn 1:29
 - a. the death, burial, & resurrection of Jesus Christ
 2. The Gospel must be **Preached**:
 - a. **Def Preach**: to herald, proclaim publish
 3. Gospel is to be preached as a **Witness**:
 - a. **Def Witness**: evidence, testimony
 - (1) For reaching “lost mankind” you would have thought that God would have come up with something more dramatic than preaching to reach the world After all He is God
 - (a) But 1 Cor 1:21 tells us: “it pleased God by the **foolishness of preaching** to save them that believe.”
 - (1) We must never forget that something supernatural occurs when the Word of God is Preached, taught, spoken:
 - (a) Rom 10:17 “So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.”
 - (1) As a person hears the word of God preached:
 - (a) Faith for the forgiveness of their sin comes into their heart
 - (b) Faith that Jesus can save, heal, deliver & meet their every need
- C. Another important factor we must remember in regards to the Preaching of the Gospel of Jesus Christ is found in:
1. Acts 10:34 “ Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons:”
 - a. **Def Respector**: favoritism, partiality
 - (1) race, color of skin, nationality, gender, social status, rich, poor, educated, Or educated
 - (a) God does not show favoritism
 - (1) we are told in Matt 24:14 “And this gospel of the kingdom will be

preached in all the world”

D. You might be thinking, **I am not called to be a preacher:**

1. That may be true in regards to not having one of the Eph 4:11 Five Fold ministry gifts: of Apostle, Prophet, Evangelist, Pastor, Teacher not being your Calling / ministry, or not have a pulpit ministry:
 - a. But we all **still have the responsibility** of seeing to it that the Gospel is preached to all the world in helping to reach lost souls & usher in the return of Our Lord Jesus Christ:
 - (1) Luke 24:46 "Thus it is written, and thus it was necessary for the Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead the third day, 47 and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name to all nations,....”
 - (2) Acts 4:12 “Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.”
 - (a) There are currently 204 sovereign nations in the world
 - (b) and each of them is to be evangelized with the Gospel of Jesus Christ
 2. We each are to preach the Gospel ... win the loss ... and help usher in the Return of Jesus by being a **God’s Ambassadors** & witness upon the earth:
 - a. 2 Cor 5:19 “God ...has committed to us the word of reconciliation. 20 Now then, we are **ambassadors for Christ**, as though God were pleading through us: we implore you on Christ's behalf, be reconciled to God.
 - b. As the Lord’s Ambassadors we carry His word of reconciliation in our heart and in our mouth: The Gospel of Jesus Christ
 - (1) and our ambassadorship starts in our home & family, neighborhood, work Place, schools & universities, in our government everywhere, every place, to every person, from our home town to all the world:
 - (a) Acts 1:8 “But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”
 - (1) Every person **must repent of their sin & be Born Again:**
 - (a) Acts 2:38 “ Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.”
 - (2) Once Born Again, you are to receive the gift / **Baptism of the Holy Spirit** so we may be filled with God’s power:

- (a) **Def Power:** dunamis, miracle power
 - (1) this power is the anointing of God upon our lives that breaks yokes Of bondage off of the lives of people (Isa 10:27)
 - (2) This power fills up with boldness, to preach the Gospel, be a witness for Jesus: Acts 4:31
 - (3) Then we are to take the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the “**ENDS OF THE WORLD**”

II. On top of all of the other ongoing things in our World Missions Out Reach ... in 2014 I am trusting God to expand our ministry to:

A. Ivory Coast West Africa:

- 1. I will be sending Rev. Axe Freeman from Benin to the Ivory Coast to train our Abundant Ministries Director in the Ivory Coast: Konan Kra for the opening And operating our Abundnat Word Bible College in that nation:
 - a. I already have the French Bible school curriculum duplicated:
 - b. now needs to raise the funds to send Rev Freeman to Ivory Coast to train Rev Kra
 - c. and raise the funds for a DVD player, TV & generator

B. The Congo:

- 1. we now have a one thousand member church who has opened their doors
 - a. For a Leadership Conference
 - b. and an Abundant Word Bible College
- 2. Rev Richard Myers and I are going to the Congo this June:
 - a. I will need to purchase the need school curriculum
 - b. and they already have all the other equipment and facilities for the school

C. South Africa:

- 1. Working with the IFCA and planting a new church in South Africa
 - a. I am believing God for the funds to purchase either a tent for the church to meet in, or a clap board church

D. We will also be expanding our ministry in & paln to go to: Guatemala, Chile & Peru in September”

1. Guatemala

- a. planting a new Abundant Word Bile College in a remote Mountain region of that nation
- b. I already have the Spanish Bible School curriculum

- c. will need to purchase a generator, tv, & DVD player
- 2. **Chile:**
 - a. Speaking at our first graduating class from our Bible school in Santiago
 - b. as well as doing Leadership Conferences & revival services in a number of cities
- 3. **Peru:**
 - a. Leadership Conference in Pura and bible school graduation
 - b. Lima: Bible school graduation and revival services
 - c. Independence: Leadership Conference, Open Air crusade
- 4. **Uganda:**
 - a. We are also expanding in Uganda: opening two more branch bible schools in remote villages
 - b. believing God for the funds to duplicate the bible school DVD materials, & purchase a generator, tv & DVD player
- 5. Some of our Abundant Ministry affiliates are building new facilities:
 - a. **Tanzania:** building new church & orphanage
 - b. **Uganda:** building new church & orphanage
 - c. **Liberia:** building a new orphanage
 - d. **Sierra Leone:** building a new Christian School

(1) Condition we have with each of these projects is that they must also be involved with the raising of funds for these projects / dwell

III. Another realm of the **RESPONSIBILITY OF WORLD MISSIONS** is seen In:

- A. Rom 10:14 How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher?
- 15 And how shall they preach unless they are sent? As it is written:
 - 1. I believe we have the “**Go** ye into all the world part” of world missions in place:
 - 2. But we also have to continue with the “**Sending**” part of world missions:
 - a. “**How shall they hear without a preacher**”
 - (1) Be it sending one of our Directors to new regions in the country they are in
 - (2) or sending ministers to their nation who attended our Leadership Conferences
 - (3) or sending students who have graduated from our bible school graduates to preach the Gospel and plant new churches
 - (2) or feeding orphans
 - b. World Missions & evangelism does not take place No one will hear the Gospel of Jesus Christ:

(1) unless they are sent through our prayer & financial support

B. VIDEO

C. 2 Cor 9:5 “Therefore I thought it necessary to exhort the brethren to go to you ahead of time, and prepare your generous gift beforehand, which you had previously **promised**, that it may be ready as a matter of generosity and not as a grudging obligation.

1. In this passage of scripture the Apostle Paul is speaking to his church in Corinth about:

a. Their **PROMISE**:

- (1) This Promise was actually a faith promise / a faith pledge toward World Missions
- (2) Paul was encouraging the saint to give toward World Missions “as a matter Of generosity” and not as a “grudging obligation”
- (3) In fact Paul deals further with their giving toward World Missions in:
2 Cor 9:7 So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver.

(a) First Paul says: “**so let each one give**” :

(1) Paul expected **each person** to respond to the responsibility of giving Toward Word Missions

(2) And that is what I ask of each of us today: ”so let each one give”

(b) Secondly Paul did not use trickery nor manipulation in asking people to Give toward World Missions:

(1) “**as he purposes in his heart**”

(a) Instead Paul gives them a Promise: 2 Cor 9:6 “ But this I say: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.”

© I ask that you obey the Holy Spirit And purpose in your heart what God would have you to do in 2014 with your Promise: World Missions Pledge

(1) and fill out your Faith Pledge / Promise Card

(2) and along with your Missions Offering today remember that:

(a) “**God loves a cheerful giver**”