

Partnerships: With Whom? Where? And How?

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Factors – Passions – Gifting that God uses to lead us to partner



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Where is God already working?



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Critical Needs

- 10/40 Window
- Poverty
- Health Epidemic
- Children
- Refugees
- Natural Disasters
- Justice



Location

- Local - Our community? State? U.S.?
- Global - Country? Regional?
Continents?
- Cross Culture? Same culture?
- Should we focus in one location or in a broader region?



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People

- Muslim, Hindu, Buddhist, Tribal, Other?
- Unreached People Groups? People with least access to the Gospel? No church?
- Persecuted or Developing church? Nominal Christians?
- Needy people? Suffering people?
- Children / youth/ Adults/ Seniors?



Relationships

Partnerships grow out of healthy
relationship



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- Evangelistic ministries
- Church Planting
- Compassion Ministry
- Training of Nationals –
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- Medical
- Education
- Business as Missions
- Development
- Prayer

Task

To minister as Jesus did, demands we use varied holistic methods to share the gospel



Gifting

How has God gifted and resourced your church?



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History

- Do not ignore where and how your church has been involved in missions in the past
- But do not be afraid of change and doing things in new ways.



Participation

- Is Hands-On participation through Short term teams important?
- Getting the whole church involved.



Pioneer or Established Ministry Initiative?



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Potential Partners

- Doctrinal/Ethos Compatibility**
- History of Healthy Ministry**
- Vision – Multiplication**
- Financial Accountability**
- Direct Connection to Nationals**
- One Partner or Multiple Partners**



Agency Assistance in helping the church partner

- What kind of assistance is offered?
- How much does the church need?



Other important issues to discuss when exploring Partnership

- **Field Ownership/Approval of the Partnership**
- **On Field Facilitator and Church based Champion needed**
- **Partnership Goals and Decision making**
- **Strategy and Ministry Philosophy**
- **Ministry Needs/Church Resource Match**



Other important issues to discuss when exploring Partnership

- **Capacity to utilize Short-term Personnel and other involvement**
- **Stability – Is the partnership dependent on one key person?**
- **Length of Commitment**
- **Expectations**
- **A good Communication system**



**Partnership means
mutual collaboration.
We each bring a part to
accomplish more
together.**



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