Discover your role in God's Mission

A DEVOTIONAL TO HELP YOU EXPLORE AND EMBRACE YOUR ROLE IN GOD'S MISSION TO THE UNREACHED

AFRICA INLAND MISSION

You are uniquely positioned

You are an integral part of God's redemptive plan for the nations and your part in mission matters deeply. This devotional is designed to help you connect with God's heart in mission as you embark on a journey to:

- respond to God's calling with renewed purpose,
- reignite a passion for God's mission,
- pray and seek his guidance,
- discern your role in his global mission,
- build your confidence in his leading,
- reflect and challenge your priorities, and
- intercede for our missionaries and Africa's unreached people groups.

We want to walk alongside you as you discern your role in the Great Commission and invite you to take the next step in your mission partnership. Together, we can all play our part in seeing Christ-centred churches established among all African peoples.



SEE GOD'S HEART IN SCRIPTURE



REFLECT ON YOUR PART



PRAY AND RESPOND

For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

EPHESIANS 2:10

THE GREAT COMMISSION

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations
MATTHEW 28:19–20

This is Jesus' final command before his ascension. Spoken to a small group of ordinary followers, Jesus gave them the authority and blessed responsibility to go and make disciples of all nations. Jesus was inviting them—and us—into his redemptive plan for the world. It means more than just sharing the gospel; it often requires crossing cultural boundaries, nurturing believers to mature in their faith and equipping them to share the gospel with others.

How might God be calling you to take a small, faithful step in world missions? Perhaps having an intentional conversation about faith with a neighbour, sharing God's love with a colleague, or supporting missionaries and mission organisations reaching those in distant places. Take time to pray and seek how you can play a role in making Christ known. Ask for wisdom and courage to step out in faith and to reveal the opportunities God has prepared for you.

Pray for the hearts of believers, including those in your sphere of life and influence, to be stirred to respond to the call to go and make disciples. Lift up the African peoples, asking God to open doors for the gospel to take root and transform lives.

WHAT WOULD ONE STEP OF FAITH IN RESPONSE TO THE GREAT COMMISSION LOOK LIKE IN YOUR LIFE RIGHT NOW?



Lord, please reveal to me your purpose for my life and grant me the courage to follow your lead. May your kingdom come and your will be done, here on earth as it is in heaven. Father use me, in whatever way you desire, to share your love and truth. Amen.

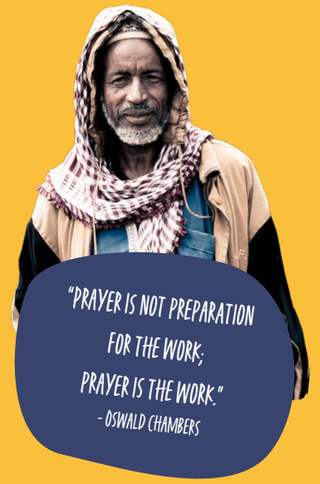
INTERCESSION

The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field MATTHEW 9:37-38

The strangeness of this command points to something very important. There is only one possible answer. God, in his wisdom, has willed that his miraculous work of harvesting be preceded by prayer. God has chosen to work through the prayers of his people, allowing us the privilege of participating in his miraculous harvest. He loves to bless the world. But even more, he loves to bless the world in answer to prayer. Prayer is a powerful way to partner with God in his mission. When we pray, we engage in spiritual warfare, intercede for the lost and align our hearts with God's purposes. Through your prayers, you clear the way and stand alongside those preparing and going out to serve among Africa's unreached people groups.

Ask him to strengthen those already labouring in difficult places and to soften the hearts of those who are yet to hear the gospel. And pray for more workers to be sent into the harvest field. History is full of stories where revival began with prayer—ordinary people crying out to an extraordinary God.

HOW MIGHT YOUR PERSPECTIVE CHANGE IF YOU SAW PRAYER AND INTERCESSION NOT AS PREPARATION FOR ACTION BUT AS THE MOST IMPORTANT WORK ITSELF?



Lord of the harvest, thank you for the supporters who faithfully pray and stand in the gap for your mission. Stir the hearts of your people to pray and to respond to your call and send labourers to share the good news among Africa's unreached people groups. Amen.

MISSIONAL CHURCH

So after they had fasted and prayed, they placed their hands on them and sent them off.
ACTS 13:2-3

The church in Antioch prayed, fasted, and sent Paul and Barnabas out with their full support. This demonstrates the beauty of partnership in mission. Missions is a shared calling between those who go and those who send.

These early missionaries were supported and intentionally sent by a specific congregation. As far as we know, this had never happened before and is possibly the first real known missionary effort of the church. The word 'missionary' has to do with sending. God's mission is for the whole Church, and every believer has a role to play. The church is not only a place of worship and fellowship but also a community that sends out workers to fulfil God's mission. The goal of missions is the worship of God. Take time to pray for your church to seek God's vision for mission and to join in his work of reaching the unreached. Pray specifically for your church leaders, that they would be guided by God's wisdom and be filled with a passion to prioritise mission in their leadership. By praying for missionaries, offering financial support and encouraging their work, your church becomes an active participant in God's global story.

HOW CAN YOU INITIATE OR FOSTER A VISION FOR MISSION AND CULTURE OF WILLINGNESS TO RESPOND TO GOD'S CALL IN YOUR CHURCH?



MORE THAN 300 MILLION AFRICANS ARE UNREACHED WITH THE GOSPEL

Lord, I pray for my church to catch your vision for mission. Stir the hearts of our leaders and congregations to prioritise your work of reaching the unreached. May we each embrace our role in sending and supporting missionaries and even going for your glory. Amen.

MISSION PARTNERS

And how can they believe...And how can they hear ...And how can anyone preach...? ROMANS 10:14-15

Partnership is crucial in mission work— as churches, missionaries and supporters unite to make the gospel heard. It's a beautiful picture of the body of Christ working together. Romans beautifully illustrates the critical chain of events and the collaborative effort necessary for the spread of the gospel. The church sends and together we make this work possible.

It takes many interconnected people to bring the message of Christ to those who have not yet heard:

- Churches provide spiritual covering and resources.
- Mission organisations like AIM offer expertise and logistical support.
- Missionaries serve on the front lines.
- Supporters sustain the work through serving, prayer, finances and encouragement.

Paul said in Romans 15:20, "It has always been my ambition to preach the gospel where Christ was not known." There is still much to do where Christ is already known, but we need people with Paul's passion to reach the unreached and unengaged peoples of the world.

HOW MIGHT GOD BE INVITING YOU TO FOSTER CONNECTIONS AND COLLABORATION BETWEEN MISSION PARTNERS LIKE YOUR CHURCH AND OTHERS IN YOUR COMMUNITY?



LESS THAN 3% OF MISSIONARY WORK IS DONE AMONG UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS

Lord, I pray for strong partnerships between AIM, churches, missionaries and supporters, working together to bring the gospel to the unreached. Guide AIM with wisdom and provide the resources to sustain this work and may we be faithful in our different roles. Use us, Lord, to bring the hope of Christ to the unreached. Amen.

STEWARDSHIP IN MISSION

They are a fragrant offering, an acceptable sacrifice, pleasing to God PHILIPPIANS 4:16-18

Everything we have—our time, talents and treasures—comes from God. Stewardship is about intentionally using what he has entrusted to us to advance his kingdom.

Through faithful stewardship, we participate in bringing the gospel to those who have never heard it. This might mean opening your home for a mission prayer group, connecting others to mission opportunities, or a financial gift that supports our ministries, such as the translation of Scripture into a new language, allowing entire communities to hear the Word of God for the first time. Through legacy giving, you can continue to impact lives for eternity, ensuring the gospel continues to be shared long after we're gone.

Even the smallest gift captures God's attention, as shown in the story of the widow's offering in Mark 12:43. Though her two small coins had little monetary value, Jesus recognised her sacrifice and faith. What truly matters is not the amount we give, but the love and devotion behind it.

As you reflect on God's provision and generosity, pray for wisdom to steward these blessings and prayerfully consider ways to contribute to his mission, whether it's your finances, your time, abilities, or other resources.

HOW MIGHT VIEWING YOUR RESOURCES (TIME, ABILITIES AND MONEY) AS GOD-GIVEN TOOLS FOR REACHING THE LOST CHANGE HOW YOU USE THEM?



LESS THAN 2% OF ALL MONEY GIVEN TO MISSION WORK IS DIRECTED TOWARDS MISSIONS TO UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS.
- LAUSANNE MOVEMENT

Lord, thank you for the gifts you've given me. Help me to steward them well, using my resources to further your kingdom. Bless and multiply the gifts given to support mission work and give wisdom to AIM and missionaries as they use these gifts to share the gospel. May I be faithful in contributing so that Christ-centred churches may be established among all African peoples. Amen.

YOUR PLACE IN MISSION

And I said, 'Here am I. Send me!'
ISAIAH 6:8

Saying "yes" to God's mission flows from a personal encounter with him. Isaiah responded after experiencing God's holiness, recognising his own inadequacy, receiving God's cleansing, and hearing his call. Like Isaiah, we are each called to respond to this invitation to participate in God's mission.

The beauty of God's call is that he doesn't expect us to serve in our own strength. God doesn't call the equipped; he equips the called. When we step forward in faith, saying yes to his leading, he will prepare us for the work ahead.

God is inviting you to play your unique part in his great mission. Just as a body needs all its parts to function well, the mission of God needs every believer playing their part in fulfilling the Great Commission. Partnering through prayer, giving, and practical support is vital in this work as we champion those who go. Look at the world around you and see that the harvest is ready. We are alive at this moment in history and called as believers for such a time as this. May we have courage and dare to say "Here I am, send me" to whatever God is asking us to do.

WHAT SPECIFIC AREA OF MISSIONS IS GOD STIRRING IN YOUR HEART TODAY, AND WHAT'S ONE SMALL PRACTICAL STEP YOU COULD TAKE THIS WEEK TO RESPOND?



"GOD USES MEN WHO ARE WEAK AND FEEBLE ENOUGH TO LEAN ON HIM."
- HUDSON TAYLOR

Lord, I am ready to serve in whatever way you call me. Give me clarity and confidence in discerning my role and how I can take part and contribute. Reveal to me your plan, and use me in whatever way you desire, to make your name known. Amen.

FINISHING THE TASK TOGETHER

...And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith...

HEBREWS 12:1-2



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God invites us to serve him joyfully as an overflow of his abundant love and grace in our lives. Whether you go, pray, give, or encourage, your part matters. Even small acts of faith—*like a whispered prayer or a sacrificial gift*—are woven into God's redemptive plan. Be encouraged that he equips those he calls and uses even the smallest offerings for his glory.

As we reflect on God's faithfulness and provision, let us enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise, letting our hearts be filled with gratitude as we remember the great cost of our salvation. Celebrate his goodness and consider how you can respond by joining in his mission to bring others into his family.

Thank God for both missionaries and supporters who labour together in the work of salvation, and may we see worship spread across Africa and among all African people groups.

JOURNAL NOTES:



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