

Prayer Principle

"Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask <Pray> the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into His harvest field.' <Matt 9:37-38>"

- C **Pray for harvesters.** . . workers to enter the fields
- C **Pray against Satan,** the Crop Destroyer. . .
- C **Our prayers are to God for** the workers, and **against** Satan, the crop and labor destroyer. We must never forget the against factor in our prayers, else we will be waging a war without recognizing our enemy.

L *A Global Church has demonstrated its prayer awareness through an organized prayer ministry that is in keeping with Biblical principles.*

Authority Principle

"He called his twelve disciples to him and gave them authority to drive out evil spirits and to heal every disease and sickness."
<Matt 10:1>

"Then Jesus came to them and said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples.'" <Matt 28:18-19a>

- **Jesus has given** His church Spiritual Authority to execute His Great Commission . . . Matthew 28:18. . . All authority in heaven and in earth has been given to me. . . and now I give you this authority. . . go. . . make disciples. . . baptize. . . teach. . .
- **Plans must be** in harmony with the scriptural mandate of "making disciples." Growth of the "The Kingdom" should always be our priority.

L *A Global Church depends on its spiritual authority when planning and executing its ministry.* <Matt 10:1, 28:18-19a>

A Global Church Check List

1. A clearly defined mission statement
2. A clearly developed vision statement that is Acts 1:8 in scope
3. Core Values that drive its ministry
4. A prayer ministry that encompasses local and world needs
5. A dependence on the Holy Spirit for its ministry

A Global Church is one that has on its heart the things that are on God's heart. It is actively involved in doing the things that God has commanded. It is focused on reaching and discipling people locally and world wide. The ministry of a Global Church is an expression of love and commitment to the Lord. Its members are involved in activities

A Global Church Evaluation

1. What is the primary focus of your church?
2. Is your church organized or structured so that it can best fulfill its mission?
3. What is keeping your church from growing?
4. Are you committed to the discovery and removal of growth restricting hindrances so that natural growth can occur?
5. Are you committed to leading your church to become global in its mission and ministries?

**Growing a Global Church is a process not a program.
The vision has to be caught not taught.**

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A Global Church

A First Century Church in the 21st Century



***"If everything is important,
then nothing is important
some things need to be emphasized
or it all ends up as noise."***

Richard Koch

How to keep your church
focused on what is *mission critical* . . .





The local church is responsible for the global mission of discipling the peoples of the entire world. The church must take seriously the mandate of <Matthew 28:18-20> “making disciples” of all peoples, <Acts 1:8> beginning in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. **The 21st century church is turning back to Acts 1:8 as the focus of reaching this generation with the message of Christ. The local church is becoming global in its outreach.**

“The mission of the local church is to reach people and disciple them so that they will reach other people and disciple them....”

??? *Should the structure or organization of the church dictate its strategy or should strategy dictate the structure or organization of the church in fulfilling its mission?*

Five unchanging principles for development of a GlobalLocal Church are given in **Matthew 9:35-38, 10:1, 28:18-20, & Acts 1:8**

Mission Principle

“Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness.” <Matt 9:35>

- “Does the church have a clear understanding of what it is seeking to produce? The purpose of the church is to produce people who will be and will reproduce, spiritually mature zealots for Christ.” Growing True Disciples George Barna
- Question: What should be the primary focus of the church? An ancient proverb states it well when it says, “If you chase two rabbits, both will escape.”

The Mission of a GlobalLocal Church is :

- MAKING DISCIPLES** ◦
- MATURING DISCIPLES** ◦
- MULTIPLYING DISCIPLES**

The Expression of a GlobalLocal Church is:

- WORSHIP** ◦
- PROCLAMATION** ◦
- FELLOWSHIP** ◦
- MINISTRY**

L *A GlobalLocal Church has a clearly defined mission statement that encompasses the scriptural principles of Matthew 9:35-38, 10:1, 28:18-10 & Acts 1:8.*

Vision Principle

“When he saw the crowds he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.” <Matt. 9:36>

The Vision of a GlobalLocal Church

“A 2nd Mile Disciple-making GlobalLocal Church is committed to God’s Command <Matthew 28:18-20> to expedite God’s Plan <Acts 1:8> of reaching and discipling the peoples of the entire world.”

- “Spiritual vision is getting on your heart what is on God’s heart—the world.” Dawson Trotman, founder of the Navigators
- A GlobalLocal Church has on its heart the things that are on God’s heart—the world.

The Scope of our Witness is determined by our Spiritual Vision.

Acts 1:8

- 1. The Near people:** <Jerusalem> *These are the people across the street.*
- 2. The Neighboring people:** <Judea> *These are the people across the state/states.*
- 3. The Neglected people:** <Samaria> *These are the people across social barriers..*
- 4. The Next people:** *These are the people across the globe.*

“The real measure of the power and effectiveness of a local body of Christ is: How far does its influence reach? God seriously expects the local church to take on the whole world.” <Herb Hodges, Spiritual Life Ministries>

L *A GlobalLocal Church has developed a vision statement that accepts responsibility of seeing the world through the eyes of Christ <Matt. 9:36> and having on its heart the things that are on God’s heart and a commitment of implementing that vision as outlined in Acts 1:8.*

Values Principle

*“When He saw the crowds...” < Matt. 9:36a>
“For the Son of Man came to seek and to save what was lost.” <Lk. 19:10>
“I have come that they may have life, and have it more abundantly.” <John 10:10b>*

- i **People were and are the focus of Jesus.** His value of people caused Him to go to the cross for the remission of their sins.

L *A GlobalLocal Church has determined its core values, which are the guiding principles for accomplishing its mission and vision.*