

C. Reach out to nations.

“Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, ...”
Matthew 28:19a

“9 After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could number, of all nations, tribes, peoples, and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, with palm branches in their hands, 10 and crying out with a loud voice saying, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!” Revelation 7:9-10

IV. REACH OUT AS A WITNESS

“And you are witnesses of these things.” Luke 24:48

“However, Jesus did not permit him, but said to him, “Go home to your friends, and tell them what great things the Lord has done for you, and how He has had compassion on you.” Mark 5:19

V. REACH OUT IN THE HOLY SPIRIT

“Behold, I send the Promise of My Father upon you; but tarry in the city of Jerusalem until you are endued with power from on high.” Luke 24:49

“4 And my speech and my preaching were not with persuasive words of human wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, 5 that your faith should not be in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.” I Corinthians 2:4-5

REACH OUT TO NEIGHBORS & NATIONS

“and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.” Luke 24:47

We must make His last command our first priority!

**REACHING OUT
Neighbors & Nations
Reach Out Globally, Start Locally
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INTRODUCTION

A. What is our Global Missions Focus?

Mission: Making sure that everyone in the world hears the Gospel of Jesus Christ correctly and planting New Testament churches among those who believe.

“23 So when they had appointed elders in every church, and prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord in whom they had believed.

24 And after they had passed through Pisidia, they came to Pamphylia.

25 Now when they had preached the word in Perga, they went down to Attalia.

26 From there they sailed to Antioch, where they had been commended to the grace of God for the work which they had completed.

27 Now when they had come and gathered the church together, they reported all that God had done with them, and that He had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles.” Acts 14:23-27

B. Our 2022 theme is “Reaching Out To Neighbors & Nations”.

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C. God has called us to reach those near us and those far away.

In Reaching Out To Neighbors & Nations, we will be challenged to reach out both locally and globally. This six part series features the following messages:

TODAY	Reach Out Globally, Start Locally
July 17	Be A Disciple, Make Disciples
July 24	Send Missionaries Forward On Their Journey!
July 31	Be The Answer To Someone’s Prayer
Aug 7	Heads Up, Eyes Open
Aug 14	C.H.U.R.C.H. 7 Days Per Week

D. Text: Luke 24:44-49

HOW TO REACH OUT GLOBALLY, START LOCALLY

I. REACH OUT BY NECESSITY

“Then He said to them, “Thus it is written, and thus it was necessary for the Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead the third day,” Luke 24:46

- A. It was necessary for salvation that Jesus died for our sin and resurrected from the grave.

“He went a little farther and fell on His face, and prayed, saying, “O My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from Me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as You will.” Matthew 26:39

- B. It is necessary for salvation that you receive the gospel and declare it to others.

*“1 Moreover, brethren, I declare to you the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received and in which you stand,
2 by which also you are saved, if you hold fast that word which I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.
3 For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures,
4 and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures,”*
I Corinthians 15:1-4

II. REACH OUT THROUGH PREACHING

“and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name...” Luke 24:47a

- A. Preaching is God’s chosen method.

“For since, in the wisdom of God, the world through wisdom did not know God, it pleased God through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe.” I Corinthians 1:21

“Preached” is the Greek verb *kerusso* which means “to make public declarations, proclaim aloud”.

- B. Preach repentance and forgiveness of sins.

“I tell you, no; but unless you repent you will all likewise perish.” Luke 13:3

“Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord,” Acts 3:19

- C. Preach in the name of Jesus.

“Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.” Acts 4:12

III. REACH OUT TO ALL NATIONS, BEGINNING WITH NEIGHBORS

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- A. We are to reach out simultaneously to both neighbors and nations.

“But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.” Acts 1:8

- B. Reach out to your neighbors.

“Jesus said to him, “You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.” Matthew 22:37

“40 One of the two who heard John speak, and followed Him, was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother.

41 He first found his own brother Simon, and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated, the Christ).” John 1:40-41

“how I kept back nothing that was helpful, but proclaimed it to you, and taught you publicly and from house to house,” Acts 20:20