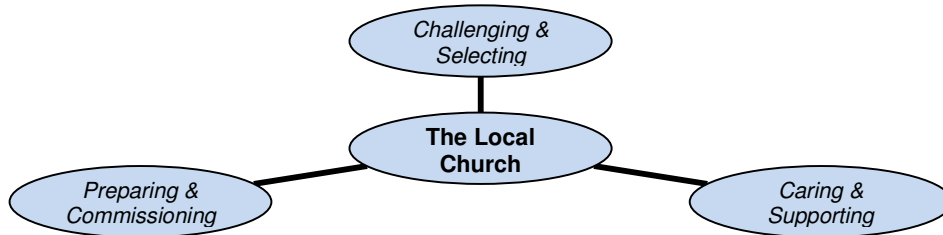


WORLD FOCUS TEAM

Assisting Local Churches and Christians in World Mission



Resource Paper 5

A Check List to Assess your Church's Vision for, and involvement in, World Mission

	We get involved with missions projects as opportunities arise	Missions involvement is seen as a part of our ministry	Missions involvement is of primary importance to us
Church Leaders	<input type="checkbox"/> Leaders occasionally promote cross-cultural ministries	<input type="checkbox"/> Leaders ensure our missions programme has people to lead it	<input type="checkbox"/> Leaders regularly give visibility to the Great Commission and missions
Missions Team	<input type="checkbox"/> We have some individuals who occasionally promote mission	<input type="checkbox"/> We have a missions team that meets regularly	<input type="checkbox"/> Our missions team works effectively to promote our missions emphasis in all 'departments' of the church
Missions Awareness	<input type="checkbox"/> We have an awareness of missions through occasional presentations	<input type="checkbox"/> The Biblical basis of missions is taught on special occasions	<input type="checkbox"/> The Biblical basis of missions is taught to all age groups as a central purpose of the church
Mission Involvement	<input type="checkbox"/> Individuals sometimes get involved in missions	<input type="checkbox"/> We sometimes provide opportunities for involvement in missions	<input type="checkbox"/> We regularly promote involvement in missions in all the church's ministries
Long Term Mission	<input type="checkbox"/> We are only reactive when people express an interest in long-term mission	<input type="checkbox"/> We publicly recognise and encourage those interested in long-term mission and pray for God's direction in their lives	<input type="checkbox"/> We actively challenge people to become involved in long-term mission, are involved in the decision-making process and prepare them for service
Prayer for Mission	<input type="checkbox"/> Leaders sometimes share mission-related prayer needs	<input type="checkbox"/> We regularly present missions prayer needs	<input type="checkbox"/> Presenting the joys, challenges and prayer needs of missions is a weekly occurrence in all 'departments' of the church
Missionary Care	<input type="checkbox"/> We help missionaries on a special case-by-case basis	<input type="checkbox"/> We seek to meet the needs of our missionaries as we become aware of them	<input type="checkbox"/> We build strong supportive relationships with our missionaries and enquire of, and care for, their needs
Giving for Mission	<input type="checkbox"/> We give at least 10% of church income to missions	<input type="checkbox"/> We give at least 25% of church income to missions	<input type="checkbox"/> We give at least 40% of church income to missions

From another perspective, a church's approach to global mission and relationship with mission agencies may be described in one of the following ways:

- Local ministry** mode - churches that focus on the local scene and have no relationships with overseas mission agencies
- Delegation** mode - churches that support mission agencies but leave it to them to act on their behalf in global mission
- Partnership** mode - churches that involve overseas mission agencies as equal partners in decision making
- Independent** mode - churches that have a direct involvement in global mission independently of all mission agencies.