



#### LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

A great scriptural theme is that one person can make an incredible difference. We find the ultimate example in the contrast between Adam and the Lord Jesus in Romans 5:19, "Through the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, even so through the obedience of the One the many will be made righteous."

The Disciple Making Movement process reflects this. One person chooses to obey God and encourages others to do the same. We repeatedly hear about ordinary people, without any special training opening the Word of God and responding in obedience to what God is telling them. Then they share what they are learning with a friend and invite them to discover and respond. Before you know it, there are multiple generations involving dozens of people who are choosing to follow Jesus.

As you read the following pages, remember that at the center of every 'explosion' that produces these results is an ordinary person who chose to obey and asked others to join the journey.

Thanks for your part in making this possible.

Blessings,

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## THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS IS GOING VIRAL!

"What's different about you?" an Asian store owner in Africa asked his gardener. "You come to work on time and work harder than ever before. You seem happier and we no longer feel the need to hide our valuables so you won't steal them."

The gardener replied, "I've been learning from the Bible. I am learning that to get wisdom you can't just hear it; you must obey it and then share what you learn with others."

The store owner and his family wanted to learn about this wisdom from the Bible that was changing their gardener's life. They were so thrilled by what they learned about Jesus and of His grace, forgiveness, and power, that they began sharing what they were learning with others. Soon they surrendered their lives to Christ and were baptized. Then they realized they had many family members and friends in their home country that needed Jesus. They wondered if they should move back home. One night both

the mother and the daughter had the very same dream. In it they had returned and were greeted by a large crowd with banners saying, "Welcome home!" They knew God was speaking, so they sold their stores in Africa and moved back to Asia.

Back home, they guided others to discover the good news of Jesus through the same Bible stories that they learned. Soon many others were surrendering to Jesus. But their government is hostile to the Gospel. It's illegal to preach to others.

The store owner was detained and interrogated for two days. At the end, his interrogator asked, "Are you willing to die for your faith?" The store owner cried out what came to his mind; Jesus' words from John 12:24: "unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds." The interrogator wept. He pulled a New Testament out of his desk and said, "I have been reading this book. It was in the pocket of a previous follower of Jesus we detained. This morning I read the very words you quoted."

This police officer came each day to

the store owner's home to learn the Bible stories himself. One day he said: "My mother and siblings live in another nation. Would you go with me to share Jesus with them?" On the way there the policeman confessed, "I am a powerful man. When my father died I wanted the inheritance all to myself, so I drove the rest of my family away. I have not talked with them in years. I am going to make things right." After the officer had spent several days with his family, his sister declared, "I am not afraid to give my life to your God. I can see from your changed life that he is very powerful."

Because of one man's obedience in sharing the simple message of the Bible, in just one year new people have come to Christ in at least six countries: two in Africa and four in Asia. We hope this story encourages you. By learning and applying some practical Biblical principles and listening to and obeying the Holy Spirit, we believe that we all will also witness things that we never thought possible.

## No one comes unless the Father draws...

Amos's story: A congregation of tribal believers was amazed when an influential man from the city, and his wife visited. "We would like to join your church." Someone this prominent had never entered their church before. They learned that his wife had a dream. "If your husband doesn't accept Jesus, he will die."

The man and his wife were shocked, when a leader said, "Don't come here, church will be at your house."
The man lived in a town without any Christians. "How can church be in our house?" he asked. So the next week, Amos came and showed them how to discover truth from the Bible. Since then, a Discovery Bible Study (DBS) has met in their home.

**Pramod's Story:** Pramod's goal to reach influential people seemed impossible. But at a hospital he met a seven-year old patient. Her father said. "She needs blood, but the hospital has none."

Pramod offered his own blood. The girl's mother asked where he was from and when she found out, she refused to allow him to help.

Days later the father called, crying, "We need your blood." Pramod said, "Jesus gave his blood for you, so I will give my blood."

The girl got her transfusion. The family believed. Now a Discovery Bible Study meets in the home of this influential leader.

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draw people for them to come to Him (John

6:44). In Pramod's story we see how the Father draws and how we can cooperate.

Jirimio's Story:
Jirimio went to the
hospital for a checkup. He saw a worried
lady sitting in the corner.

When he asked, she said her husband was about to undergo surgery, "He needs 3 units of B-positive blood but none is available."

Jirimio said, "Don't worry. We'll try to get this blood." He made a few calls. Within hours, the blood was given, and Mr. Rao had a successful surgery. He was released 15 days later.

"You are definitely Christian people," Mrs. Rao said.

"How could you know that?"

"Nobody but Christians would do something like that without any expectations."

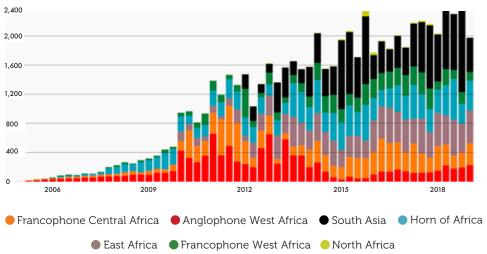
Jirimio sent a discipler to meet the family. After three months, not only was a DBS started in this family home, but has since multiplied to five more!

How does this work?

Jesus said that before people could come to him, the Father must draw them. (John 6:44) In each story above, we see how the Father draws. We also see that Amos, Pramod and Jirimio all had the opportunity to bring seeking people into their churches. Instead, they turned the seeker's own homes into gathering places where friends and relatives could read the Bible, and begin to follow Jesus.

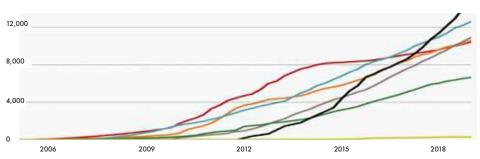
#### **NEW GENERATIONS' GLOBAL CHURCH PLANTING**

NON-CUMULATIVE GROWTH TO DATE



### NEW GENERATIONS' GLOBAL CHURCH PLANTING TRENDS

(AFRICA & SOUTH ASIA) TO DATE



# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY AND HIGHLIGHTS

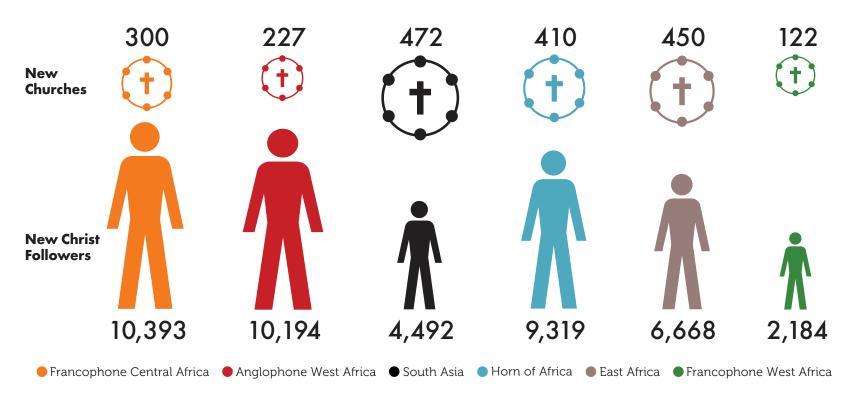
As of the First Quarter 2019, New Generations teams have witnessed God planting 66,103 churches around the globe since March 2005, with 1,609,310 new Christ-followers of whom, 446,433 (28%) are Muslim background believers.

The total number of global Disciple Making Movement (DMM) churches planted from January to March 2019 represents a 3% increase over the previous quarter.

God has now used New Generations to launch 122 DMMs - 111 in Sub-Saharan Africa and 11 in South Asia. A people group of east Africa reached the DMM threshold with over 108 churches to the 10th generation.

Eleven new people/affinity groups were engaged in the 1st quarter in Sub-Saharan Africa, all in east Africa.

### 1ST QTR 2019 DMM OUTCOMES: NEW CHURCHES & NEW CHRIST FOLLOWERS



2019 ORGANIZATIONAL GOALS: 9,500 new churches with 142,500 new Christ Followers.

Total Q1 Results: 1,931 Churches and 43,249 Christ Followers