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# **GLOBAL QUARTERLY REPORT**

**3<sup>RD</sup> QUARTER 2018**



## **NEW REGION**

For ten years we have included a North African country in the West Francophone region, due to similarities with people groups in neighboring Sub-Saharan countries. Geographically and missiologically, however, it should be classified as North African. In the future it will represent a seventh region in which New Generations teams operate; labeled “North Africa.”

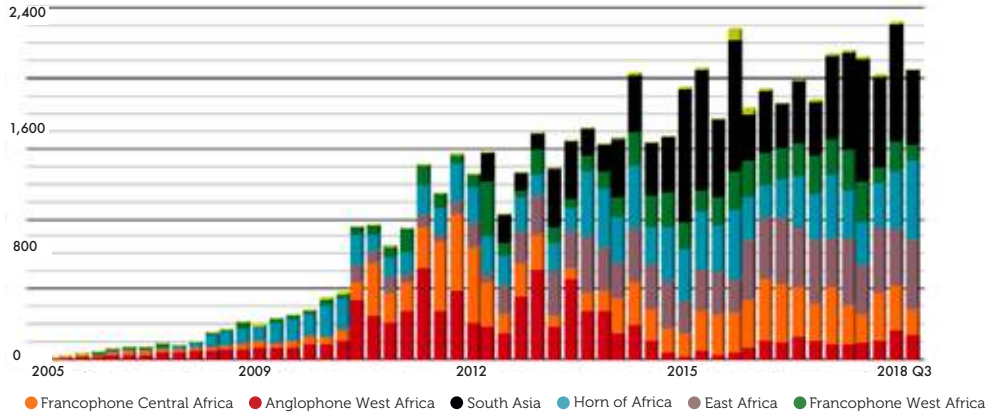
## **GOD’S FAVOR**

Historically missiologists have viewed the Pygmy peoples of the Central African Republic, Cameroon, Republic of the Congo, and the Democratic Republic of the Congo as highly resistant to the Gospel. Animosity towards the Gospel may in part be due to centuries of maltreatment by neighboring African people groups and more recently, maltreatment by colonialists. As of this quarter, we celebrate God’s favor over the work of church planters in these areas with the news of a total of 2,837 new churches planted and 146,283 new Christ Followers since our work began among the Pygmies.

Three new people/urban groups were engaged with churches planted this quarter in Sub-Saharan Africa with an adjustment to the total number of people/urban/affinity groups engaged stated in our last report, bringing our current total to 392.

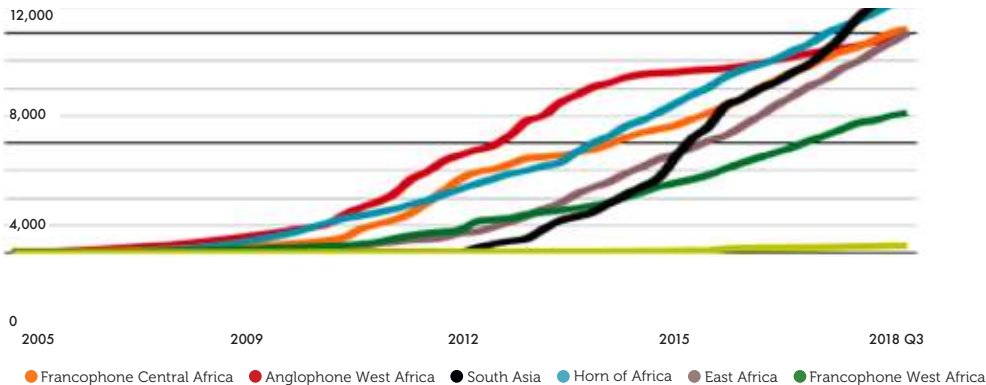
## NEW GENERATIONS' GLOBAL CHURCH PLANTING

NON-CUMULATIVE GROWTH TO DATE



## NEW GENERATIONS' GLOBAL CHURCH PLANTING TRENDS

(SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA & SOUTH ASIA) TO DATE



## AMAZING RESULTS

Since March 2005, 61,645 Disciple Making Movement (DMM\*) churches have been planted resulting in 1,518,227 new Christ Followers, 433,811 of whom are from Muslim backgrounds. The total number of global DMM churches planted from July to September 2018 represents a 4% increase over the previous quarter.

South Asia, as of this last quarter, became our most productive region. We have now seen God raise up 12,719 new churches and 125,789 new followers of Jesus.

This quarter, one Sub-Saharan African people group reached the DMM threshold, bringing the total number of African DMMs to 107 and our global DMM total to 117.

\*We define a DMM as at least 100 churches that have multiplied to at least the fourth generation.



# AMAZING MULTIPLICATION AMONG CENTRAL AFRICA'S PYGMIES

## NDINGA

Pastor Ndinga wakes early to go check the traps he's set in the rain forest. Like most Pygmies, he's learned how to hunt, setting traps along forest trails.

He returns home, changes clothes, grabs his Bible, collects one of his disciples, and the pair visit a village church. They coach and encourage the leaders and disciples to grow in faith. He often conducts a Discovery Bible Study (DBS) or two, and coaches people in the process.

When he visits, he's looking for persons of peace, always looking to launch another DBS. Ndinga's goal is to see every Pygmy village transformed by the Spirit.

Previously, a pastor named Bonane came to Ndinga's village to distribute clothes and food. He spoke of the need for a school for Pygmy children. He had a plan to help meet that need. Ndinga was surprised that anyone wanted to help.

## THE PYGMIES OF AFRICA

The term "Pygmy" describes those tribes where the average height of adult males is 4'11" or less. They are scattered across 14 countries in Africa, but most of the 984,000 Pygmies live in six Central African countries.

Historically, Pygmies have been marginalized by governments and are often mistreated. Pygmies are sometimes not considered citizens, are denied identity cards, get evicted from their land, and do not receive proper health care or education.

More than twenty thousand pygmies died during the Rwanda genocide and the Congo civil war. According to experts, churches among other people groups in Central Africa have had trouble accepting Pygmies as fully human. They have remained, largely, unreached.



## WHY?

Ndinga asked Pastor Bonane, "Why are you helping us?" Bonane said, "God loves Pygmies and wants what is good for them."

Ndinga decided to learn about Bonane's God. He asked many questions. Bonane patiently answered. A week later, Bonane showed Nidinga and others how to conduct a DBS.

For several weeks they met, heard Bible stories, asked lots of questions, and shared what they discovered.

Eight group members became Jesus' disciples. Others refused, saying, "Bonane's God is foreign." But, Ndinga and the seven others were baptized. They kept meeting. Ndinga kept meeting with Bonane. During one of their sessions, he said he had been sharing Jesus stories in another village. So, Bonane coached Ndinga to start a DBS under Bonane's supervision.

Pastor Ndinga has never stopped helping people become disciples of Jesus, coaching them to reach out to others.

After one year, 14 churches were launched, through three generations of multiplication, and 25 Discovery Bible Studies had been formed. Over 270 pygmies had become disciples!

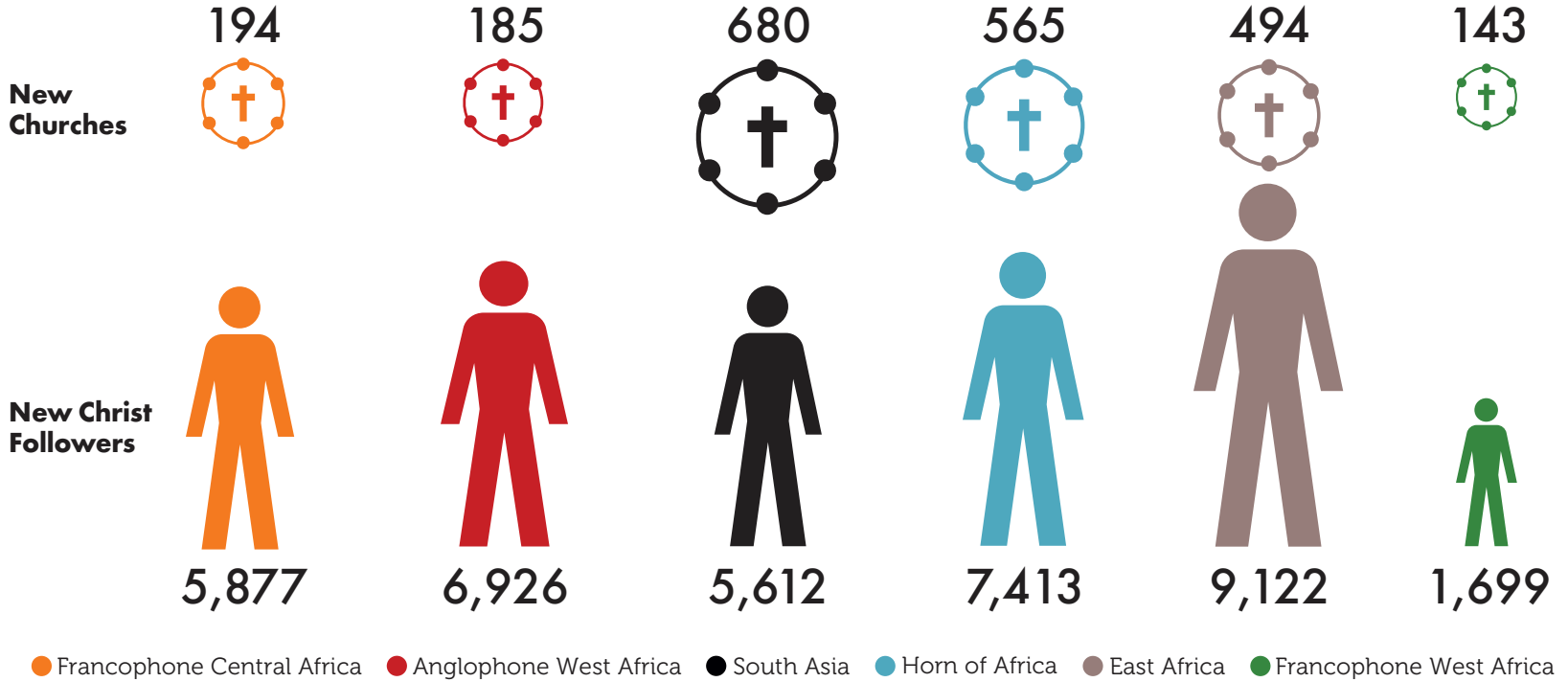
By December 2015, the movement birthed in these two communities had spread to one more Pygmy community and other people groups. 58 churches had multiplied through 9 generations with more than 600 new Christ followers.

By December 2018, this Pygmy multiplication has expanded to 6 African countries where 2,816 churches have been planted, to the 10th generation, and 145,755 Christ followers.

The people some did not accept as fully human have become agents of God's Kingdom. They may be small in stature, but Pygmies loom large in the Kingdom story being written this century.



# 3RD QTR 2018 DMM OUTCOMES: NEW CHURCHES & NEW CHRIST FOLLOWERS



**2018 GOAL:**  
**8,000 New Churches and**  
**200,000 New Christ Followers**

**Total Q1 Results: 2,033 Churches and 34,977 Christ Followers**

**Total Q2 Results: 2,392 Churches and 40,984 Christ Followers**

**Total Q3 Results: 2,081 Churches and 39,169 Christ Followers**

**Total for the year thus far: 6,506 Churches (81%) and 115,130 Christ Followers (58%)**