

DISCUSSION GUIDE

for conversation about your church's global engagement strategy

Feeling overwhelmed by the number of requests and opportunities for your church to respond to global needs? World Renew's new 'GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES' seek to help bring some focus and strategy to your outreach efforts. In addition to supporting World Renew through regular offerings and special campaign appeals, we hope focusing in on a specific area or program may allow for new learning, relationships, and passion for your church.

But maybe you aren't sure which focus is best for your church? Please use the following questions as a discussion guide to help navigate some conversations with your church leadership. We encourage you to include people such as deacons, outreach coordinators, youth leaders and pastors in this conversation if able. Maybe a few of these questions can help stimulate thoughts and conversations amongst your team.

In addition, your World Renew staff is equipped with further resources and coaching to help churches sort through what's a good fit for their congregation to effectively engage in global ministry. Please do not hesitate to contact us if needed.

1. What has God built into your church's DNA that reveals how He wants to use you in fulfilling the Acts 1:8 mandate, particularly to your Samaria and the uttermost parts of the earth?
2. Has God uniquely connected your hearts to certain global place(s), people(s), or type(s) of ministry? If so, what are they?
3. What circumstances, unusual open doors, or unique windows of opportunity is God using to point you toward His priorities for your congregation?
4. What kinds of programs or initiatives have been more 'successful' in getting your congregation excited to engage and give in the past?
5. Is there a new initiative or program that you think would appeal to your community in a new way? (ex. Younger generation interest? Stronger education piece? More relationships?)
6. How can you help your congregation to constantly expand their understanding of God's global purpose and His heart for all people?
7. Since people are motivated by an opportunity to make a tangible difference in someone's life rather than by statistics of need, how can you challenge all ages in your congregation to see themselves as difference makers? How can you incorporate your global initiatives to beyond just occasional offerings?
8. How does your global outreach interact with your local outreach? Is there possibility for connection and continuity? Is there a "competition" between the two initiatives? If so, how are you going to manage that?
9. Is there a World Renew GEO focus that resonates with your heart?
10. Do you have questions to ask World Renew regarding your global outreach strategy that we can help you with?