



ADOPT A MISSION FIELD

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About Us

AFRICA GOSPEL CHURCH

About The Africa Gospel Church

Africa Gospel Church is an evangelical denomination in Kenya. The church traces its roots back to the work of missionaries from World Gospel Mission starting in 1905. From its registration as an autonomous entity on 29th August 1961, the church has grown to close to over 1800 congregations, more than 40 of which are found in major cities and towns in Kenya, spread in different parts of Kenya. It has seen remarkable growth and development in rural and urban areas as well as in sending its own missionaries to remote areas and unreached tribes in Kenya, Uganda, and Tanzania.

The church is a sponsor to several institutions in the country including Kenya Highlands Evangelical University; Tenwek Hospital and Tenwek School of Nursing; The Africa Gospel Church Baby Centre; Kaboson Pastors Training College; and several Ministry Training Institutes.

The Africa Gospel Church is a missions focused denomination with over 50 years of experience in cross cultural missions. In 1967, AGC established the first cross-cultural mission work in Naikarra, among the Maasai people. This was followed by work in Chepnyal among the Pokot people, which later extended to the Turkana people. AGC celebrated the 50th Anniversary in cross-cultural Missions in 2017.

The church now has congregations spread to the southern Kenya to the borders of Kenya and Tanzania along the Maasai land of Narok; other churches are in the North-west of Kenya among the Ilchamus, the Turkana and the Pokot and across the border to Eastern Uganda among the Karamojong, the church also has ministries in North Eastern Kenya and along the Coast. We have established mission fields among the Samburu, the Rendille in Marsabit, among the Saboot in Mt. Elgon and among the Maasai of Kajiado. AGC currently has over 20 mission stations



Vision & Mission

Vision Statement

The vision of Africa Gospel Church is “The Whole Church Taking the Whole Gospel to the Whole World”

The Africa Gospel Church-Kenya’s Adopt A Mission Field Strategy is built on the conviction that the whole body of Christ is invited to participate in the redemptive Mission of God. It is also captured in the denomination’s vision statement “The Whole Church Taking the Whole Gospel to the Whole World.” The “Whole Church” means a whole congregation, a whole administrative unit, all like-minded denominations and the general Body of Christ around the world. The “Whole Gospel” means the fullness of salvation and holistic message of the gospel which fully redeems human spiritual, social, physical, intellectual as well as emotional condition. The “Whole World” in our context means our nearest in our homes, our neighbors, and the nations around us and beyond. It also means a world of people who need Christ in various socio-economic and cultural conditions

Mission Statement

The purpose of the Africa Gospel Church is to fulfill the Great Commandment and Great commission of the Lord Jesus Christ according to the Great Plan (Mark 12: 30,31 Mathew 28:19,20 Acts 1:8)



Mission Field

What is Adopt a Mission Field?

Adopt A Mission Field is a Plan in which Africa Gospel Church–Kenya invites partners and all AGC congregations to participate in the missional vision of the church by supporting a missionary serving in a mission field and sending missionaries to new mission fields among the less reached people groups. Adopt a mission field is a five-year rotational plan enacted on the denomination’s strength of more than five decades in cross-cultural missionary work and is also inbuilt into the Strategic Plan and the Vision Statement of the Africa Gospel Church in Kenya. It targets to enlist all AGC Urban congregations and all AGC Areas(parishes) with international and national partners into adopting a mission field by the end of 2018 and moving on to adopting new mission fields as we take the gospel to the whole world.

Why Adopt a Mission Field?

- The Adopt A Mission Field Strategy prepares AGC and partners to build on the historic strengths in the denomination’s engagement in missions.
- The Strategy provides a paradigm shift from prioritizing projects to prioritizing people.
- This strategy enlists every AGC congregation to participate in cross-cultural mission by deploying of every local church corporately and every member individually to be involved in taking the whole gospel to the whole world
- This strategy also brings along other partners into the model and hence help to deploy the larger body of Christ to join Jesus in His mission.
- It opens opportunities for AGC and partners to open new mission fields and expand missionary work to more countries.
- The Strategy recognizes the missionary as a key pillar in engaging and appropriately informing the partners.
- The Strategy prepares a mission field exit strategy through intentional local leadership development and five-year rotational process



How it Works

How Adopt A Mission Field Works

The Strategy will bring together a team that will be a part of the vision for each mission field. Adoption of mission fields can be done by anybody and any church. The strategy is that an AGC Area (Parish), Urban Church, and a National or International Partner will come together to adopt one mission field or station for a period of 5 years. There will be a strategic plan and a budget for each mission field. This strategic plan will be prepared by the team and approved by the AGC Outreach Council. The team will comprise of:

- 1. AGC Missionary** - will be on the ground, building the relationships with the host community and providing the connection with the rest of the team. The information that feeds into the planning will be provided by the missionary. The Missionary will also be accountable for resources and people, informing and inspiring the team members. The missionary will be host visiting teams and will provide necessary contacts with the local community. The missionary will fit their deputation and resource mobilization schedule into this Strategy
- 2. AGC Area** - Engage an entire AGC Area for team support of the mission station
- 3. Urban Church** - will come alongside the Area and International Partner to support the vision of the mission station
- 4. National or International Partner** - (individual, church, or other entity that will partner with AGC missionaries).
- 5. AGC Outreach Council**- the Council will provide leadership, oversight, coordination and supervision of the work being undertaken in each mission field.



The team will ensure that the missionary and the mission field is supported in the following ways:

1. Casting Vision – God’s calling comes with a vision, some very simple, some more complex. This is driven by the target people group and the missionaries called to the field. People groups – where they are, what their needs are, how they will receive outsiders – all play into the strategy in reaching them for Jesus.

2. Coordinating Prayers– the team will spend significant amount of time praying for the missionary and the field of missionary service. Constant prayers for the people and the projects involved in a field will be the hallmark of every team.

3. Constant Visitation– the teams will organize combined or individual visits to the mission field. These visits will focus on ministering to the missionary and his ministry team as well as on understanding the ministry situation at the field. The visits also provide the partners opportunities for recruiting more workers for the Mission of God. These visitations can be in terms of short term or long-term volunteers.

4. Caring for the Missionary– each team has a primary responsibility of ensuring that spiritual, emotional, social, educational, material and financial needs of the missionary are met. Since this is a paradigm shift from focusing on projects to focusing on people, missionary care will be the priority of every team. The Outreach Council shall provide mechanisms for supporting the missionary salaries and ministry expenses. The budget shall clearly stipulate support for missionary children’s education, housing, insurances, rest and rejuvenation needs, medical needs, retirement plans, continuing education, ministry operational expenses, transportation and travels.



5. Cultivating Local Leaders

Development of potential leaders involves training right from primary school, secondary, college and university. The goal of missions is to develop self-nurturing, self-governing and self-propagating churches and thus with time the mission field is turned into a missions' force that can reach out to others not only in their own community but also reach out to others in cross-cultural missions. Thus, the need to develop local leadership, which will entail sponsoring identified potential leaders in different levels of education and bible training. Outside the missionary support, each mission field team shall put great emphasis on local personnel development. This involves early identification of leaders, discipling them in their spiritual walk, providing formal and informal educational opportunities and eventually mentoring into leadership roles. There shall be an annual budget supported by the teams for each field to ensure this is gradually and systematically undertaken.

6. Championing Projects

Each team will work with the AGC Outreach Council on agreed capital budget that runs for three years in a specific mission field. The team shall agree on a formula to raise resources to enable them complete projects. Every project shall be guided by the practices of sustainability and avoidance of creating dependency. The team members will determine to undertake their part in fulfilling viable and transformational projects that bring to reality the vision of the missionary and the target people group. This will also entail careful review of the needs of every community. Every attempt will be made to ensure that a project is completed by a team before they rotate into the next assignment. The projects may include the following: Missionary House, Church building, Medical Dispensary, School, Agricultural ventures, Water projects, Businesses – Targeting missionaries in sensitive places that use a legitimate business as their way to get into relationships with people and live out their Christian walk in the presence of that community.

7. Communication of Impact

The AGC Missions Department and the Outreach Council shall provide Monitoring and Evaluation mechanisms both periodically and at the end of the 5-year term. In addition, constant communication of the ministry impact will be provided by the missionary in form of newsletters and administrative reports. Evaluations will also be turned into a report to the team and all stakeholders



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What Can I do?

Pray: Receive from the mission's office emerging issues from the mission frontiers you can pray about.

Participate: Be actively engaged in a mission project or make a financial commitment.

Publicize: Connect AGC Missions to your partners by talking about us and exposing them to AGC Ministries.

Pledge: Make a faith promise and when you intend to fulfill your commitment.



AGC Strategic Objectives

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CASTING VISION (Bishop Robert and President Dan)



Caring for Missionary (Urban Church Donating Means of Travel)



Communicating Impact (Rev. Kisotu dedicated by the first AGC missionary Rev. Fredrick Makibior)



Championing Projects (Bore Hole Project among the Samburu)



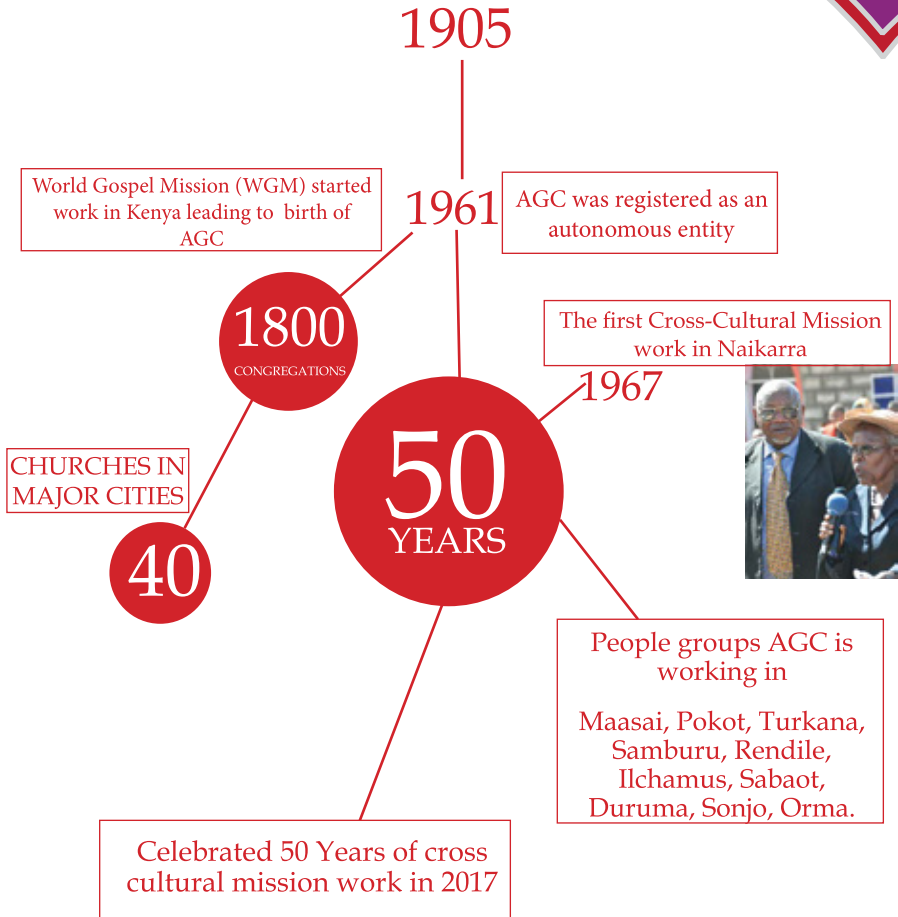
Constant Visitation (Nairkarra Area gift of goats to Samburu)



Coordinating Prayers (NMC & AGC Praying for Mombasa Field)



Cultivating Local Leaders (Training Pokot & Turkana Championing)





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the whole Gospel to
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