

The Road Ahead 2009 Sunday January 04, 2009

Why do this?

A)

Proverbs 29:18 Where there is no vision, the people perish: (KJV) Proverbs 29:18 Where there is no revelation, the people cast off restraint; (NKJV)

B)

Proverbs 4:26 Ponder the path of your feet, And let all your ways be established.

C)

, Habakkuk 2:2,3

2 Then the LORD answered me and said: "Write the vision And make it plain on tablets, That he may run who reads it.

3 For the vision is yet for an appointed time; But at the end it will speak, and it will not lie. Though it tarries, wait for it; Because it will surely come, It will not tarry.

D)

1 Corinthians 1:10 Now I plead with you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment.

VISION OF ALL PEOPLES CHURCH

Vision statement: "Our vision is to be salt and light in the city of Bangalore, a voice to the nation of India and to the nations".

APC-Bangalore

- Vision is to have at least 5 locations, grow each location to 50K people. The vision of growing to 50K was share in the very beginning when APC was started in Feb 2001.
- One church, multiple locations with each location having the same vision, ministry, spiritual emphasis and organizational structure.
- As a step in that direction we have appointed Associate Pastors: Ps. Jeyakumar (APC-South), Ps. Stephen Bennie (APC-Central)
- The Associate Pastors will handle much of the pastoral ministry and also be involved in the ministry of the Word.
- As we grow and find suitable people, we will expand the team of associate pastors in each location.

Church plants in India: 6 (Mangalore, Kalyan, Vizag, Berhampur-Orissa, Tezpur-Assam, Nagpur)

Church plants outside: 3 (Kathmandu, Doha, Lima)

Rather than adopting churches, we focus on planting new churches

2009: Atobo will be leaving to Dimapur, Nagaland to launch APC-Dimapur there. Depending on how the Lord leads and directs people we may see additional church plants in 2009.

Core Focus



Build people in the Word and the Spirit, Equip them and "release" (activate) them to fulfill God's purpose for their lives.

Our Core Values

- We are Word based-Spirit Led
- We emphasize Loving God and Loving People
- We believe that every Believer is a minister
- We value Integrity, Excellence and Kingdom-mindedness

Our Culture

Casual, Contemporary, Creative, Relevant

- Casual : We are casual yet not compromising in conduct
- Contemporary : We are contemporary without losing godly traditions
- Creative : We are creative, while preserving depth and substance
- Relevant : We are relevant, speaking timeless truths in today's language

Where Do We Desire to Go?

SUNDAY SERVICES

Volunteers

Volunteers are a very important part of what happens at our Sunday services. Almost everything that happens is done by volunteers. Cheers to all our volunteers! Thank you every one!

Format

We determined at the very begining that the Sunday Services will be geared towards EXPERIENCING and EQUIPPING. We want people to EXPERIENCE God in real ways and We want believers to be EQUIPPED for life and ministry, to fulfill God's call on their lived. We intentionally stayed away from creating a "seeker sensitive" or "seeker friendly" format. While we are creative, we do not allow our creative approach to dilute the depth and substance of the ministry nor shift focus from experience God, equipping people to entertaining people.

CHURCH GROWTH

Must grow both in spiritual and numerical dimensions.

Spiritual Growth

- We desire that every believer planted at APC to be strong in the Word and in the Spirit, moving on to new levels of **spiritual maturity**. Cell Groups and FOUNDATIONS are an important part toward making this happen.
- We desire for every believer at APC to be **naturally supernatural**, where signs and wonders, miracles become common-place.
- We desire to see every believer become a minister.
- We desire to be a **prophetic church**, where every believer is trained to hear the voice of the Lord, perceiving what the Lord wants done and doing His will on the earth.
- We desire to be an **apostolic church**, with every believer has an apostolic mindset, willing to step out pioneer and break new ground, take risks and build from ground up for the Kingdom of God in all spheres of influence.

APC's Ministers Credo



APC Pastors & Ministry Leaders are committed to presenting the complete, uncompromised Word of God in the anointing and demonstration of His Holy Spirit. We believe that good music, creative presentations, brilliant apologetics, contemporary ministry techniques, latest technology, etc. can never substitute the God-ordained approach of proclaiming the Word in the power of the Holy Spirit with signs, wonders, miracles, and gifts of the Holy Spirit (1 Corinthians 2:4-5, Hebrews 2:3,4). Our theme is Jesus, our content is the Word, our method is Holy Spirit power, our passion is people, and our goal is Christ-like maturity.

Numerical Growth

On the one hand I am grateful for all those who are part of APC. And yet on the other hand, I feel extremely discontented - because there are so many to be reached and discipled.

Total church attendance for the English congregations, averages around 500-550 people and this has not changed over an entire year! Not good!

This means that in an entire year, we did not bring any new people to the Lord!

Need to see rapid growth and expansion.

Vision is to grow each location to 50K people.

Numerical target for Central (1000), South (200), North (50) by December 2009.

Each one of us must "Share Our Story" with your "circle of influence". Pray that God will use you. Be prepared to share the Gospel Maintain a good testimony. Develop friendships and lead people to the Lord.

CELL GROUPS

Strengthen Cell Groups. CG remains core to APC.

As the church grows numerically, CG will become increasingly important.

Would like to see those who have been nurtured over the last several years get involved in cell groups.

Eventually we want every believer at APC leading a cell group and discipling a group of about 12 people.

Ps. Ullhas and Indira lead APC Cell groups.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Children are very important.

Need to see them established in the Word and in the Spirit.

Ofcourse role of parents is also very important, apart from the 2-hrs once a week at church. Ps. Georgy Sam now Children's Church Pastor of APC-Central with Arthi Jeyakumar coordinating this at APC-South.

YOUTH MINISTRY

- have many talented young people, many are contributing to the life of the church, serving in the church in so many different ways.

- good sense of community.



- we would like to see a wider acceptance of all kinds of people among the youth (those from smaller towns, etc.)

- we want to see the young people firmly grounded in the Word and in the things of the Spirit - so that regardless of where they go, they will live uncompromised lives, become influencers rather than being influenced.

- we would like to see the young people become more involved in reaching others for Christ and impacting the world around them

Ps. Ajit Sivaram (Youth Pastor at Central), Ps. Brian Raj (Youth Pastor at South).

MEGA (Marriage Enrichment Get-Away)

geared toward ministering to the marriages at APC. Has been steadily improving. Would like to see all married couples invovled with MEGA Jacob and Anitha Chacko, ministry leaders of MEGA.

GLOW (Godly Lives Offered Willingly)

geared to ministering to the women at APC. Amy Raichur leading GLOW.

EWM (Equipping Workplace Ministers)

Geared toward equipping professionals. Would like to launch the "Seven Mountain Initiative" through EWM this year Ps. Ashish Raichur, leading EWM presently, until a suitable leader can take this over.

SCHOOL OUTREACH

Our outreach to educational institutions, to "disciple a whole school".

Young lives are more open and tender toward the things of God. We must reach them early. - Ps. Selina Macwana, "Catalyst" at Ryan International (Yelahanka)

- Ps. Stephen Bennie (Bethesda, Clarence)

- BCBS (Ps. Brian Raj)

Our goal for the School & College Outreach this year is to disciplie at least 10 Insititutions in Bangalore.

Those in schools and colleges, get in touch with Selina Macwana. Work with her to get either a prayer group started in your school, or talk to your principal to do a "Catalyst" program

KARUNALAYA

- started in Oct 2002 by Mercy

- Vicka has been there as resident staff almost from the very begining and has been doing a great work with the 8 girls at Karunalaya.

- After Mercy's leaving, Nancy Raichur taken responsibility to oversee Karunalaya

BIBLE COLLEGE

Our objective is to train men and women and launch them through out our nation to impact villages, towns and cities for Jesus Christ.

Doing well with about 15 students in each batch.

PUBLICATIONS

Our publications are an important part of affecting our nation. Publications are distributed through out the country, now in different languages.

Tina Hubert heads up our publications department and is assisted by several volunteers.



MEDIA

Volunteers help do audio and video recording of our services. David Prem works at the office to edit the audio and video, makes them available via our website, CDs and also prepares our Cable TV telecasts.

TV OUTREACH

Cable TV programs in English and Kannada. Covers most part of Bangalore and some parts of Karnataka. David Prem handles this.

NEPALI CHURCH

Ps. Timothy and his wife Santha, lead the Nepali church which is doing very well. Have about 100 people attending the Sunday services, with over 30 cell groups and over 200 people being ministered to through the cell groups. Have branches in Jayanagar and Whitefiled and also just started a work in Mysore.

KANNADA CHURCH

Ps. Moses Manjunath heads this up. This work is still in its nascent stage and we are eager to see it grow. Would encourage those who would like to minister to Kannada speaking people to contact Ps. Moses and get involved with the Kannada church.

NEW INITIATIVES FOR 2009

Moving ahead in each of these proposed initiatives depends in the participation of believers at APC. As each believer at APC steps up and takes responsibility and participates, we can make the following happen this year.

1, Seven Mountains Initiative (SMI)

- Assign a leader for each of the 7 mountains
- The leader forms a team of like-minded people who then develop and implement strategy and initiatives to penetrate the 7 mountains
- EWM will serve to equip people in all 7 mountains

2, 24/7 Prayer Center and Counseling Center (PCC)

3, Impact India Initiative (3I)

Sending out ministry teams that can travel and minister in different places

4, Social Action Initiative (SAI)

- SAI to address social problems in our city.
- We do have some amount of social work ongoing, although in small measures: Karunalaya, Indira D'Souza (Slum work, Moses, Sarita, house on rent), Anne Varghese (Door of Hope), Alwyn Peters, Bible College student
- We would like to partner with existing organizations in Bangalore that are reaching people and making a difference
- Start initiatives in areas where minimal or no work is being done

5, Global Missions Initiative (GMI)



- Need to increase awareness at APC of mission needs people groups with little or no influence of the Gospel, or without a viable local church for their community.
- Urban Missions
- Domestic Missions
- Sending out believers from APC as missionaries
- Partnering with mission organizations

6, Church Building Project

• Buy land for APC's first facility by end of year

7, Big Sunday

- 2nd Sunday of every 3rd Month: Mar, June, Sep, Dec
- Outreach service geared towards reaching people with a simple Gospel message.

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES TO BE EXPLORED

- Special healing services
- Live streaming to connect churches. One or more associate pastors to pastor people in each location.

GET INVOLVED

We need every believer at APC to be involved either in existing areas of ministry or in the new initiatives for 2009! At APC every believer is a minister....so step in and serve the Lord!

Sermon Notes





Watch our online Sunday Church service live stream every Sunday at 10:30am (Indian Time, GMT+5:30). Spirit filled, anointed worship, Word and ministry for healing, miracles, and deliverance. YOUTUBE: <u>https://youtube.com/allpeopleschurchbangalore</u> WEBSITE: <u>https://apcwo.org/live</u>

Our other websites and free resources: CHURCH: https://apcwo.org FREE SERMONS: https://apcwo.org/resources/sermons FREE BOOKS: https://apcwo.org/books/english DAILY DEVOTIONALS: https://apcwo.org/resources/daily-devotional JESUS CHRIST: https://examiningjesus.com BIBLE COLLEGE: https://apcbiblecollege.org E-LEARNING: https://apcbiblecollege.org/elearn WEEKEND SCHOOLS: https://apcwo.org/ministries/weekend-schools COUNSELING: https://chrysalislife.org MUSIC: https://apcmusic.org MINISTERS FELLOWSHIP: https://pamfi.org CHURCH APP: https://apcwo.org/ministries/churches WORLD MISSIONS: https://apcworldmissions.org