



ANNUAL STATISTICAL REPORT

Reporting on 2019 data



AMERICAN PEOPLES

OUR

*A multitude from every language, people, tribe and nation
knowing and worshiping our Lord Jesus Christ*

(Rev. 7:9-10)

VISION MISSION

*To serve Southern Baptists in carrying out the
Great Commission to make disciples of all nations*

STRATEGIC

ANCHORS

*Advance the missionary
task among unreached
peoples and places*

*Advance relationships
with Southern Baptists
and global partners*

*Advance efficiency
and effectiveness of
global operations*

Six Components of the Missionary Task

In light of the full testimony of Scripture, we believe the core missionary task has six components.



AMERICAN PEOPLES



10,283
DYING DAILY
WITHOUT CHRIST

POPULATION 633,931,840

Approximate numbers calculated using IMB global population and evangelical Christian estimates.

The Lord said to me, 'You are my Son; today I have begotten you. Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage, and the ends of the earth your possession.' — Psalm 2:7b-8 (ESV)

AMERICAN PEOPLES



23

**NEW CHURCHES
PLANTED**



28,286

**HEARD GOSPEL
WITNESS**



26,544

**OPPORTUNITY TO
RESPOND**



2,195

NEW BELIEVERS



578

BAPTISMS



3,518

**LEADERSHIP
TRAININGS**



1

NEW ENGAGEMENT

All data, except for active field personnel and unreached people group counts, reflects information from the 2019 Data-Year Annual Statistical Report (IMB).



STORIES FROM THE FIELD

American Peoples



Entry

Deep in the desert mountains of Mexico is a small community completely isolated from the outside world with a language and culture that is quickly disappearing. However, after a team of Mexican nationals and summer students worked in the area researching and building relationships, the doors have opened for a U.S. church partner to begin working with a local Mexican seminary to bring the truth to this community with no known believers.



Evangelism

Through a soap-making class, Afro-Ecuadorians are learning a valuable and useful skill that has earned governmental recognition in their community. While learning about business and helping their community, they are also being taught the gospel in a very clear way that is transforming their lives. Through this method of evangelism, almost 50 Afro-Ecuadorians have come to a saving knowledge of Christ over the past year.





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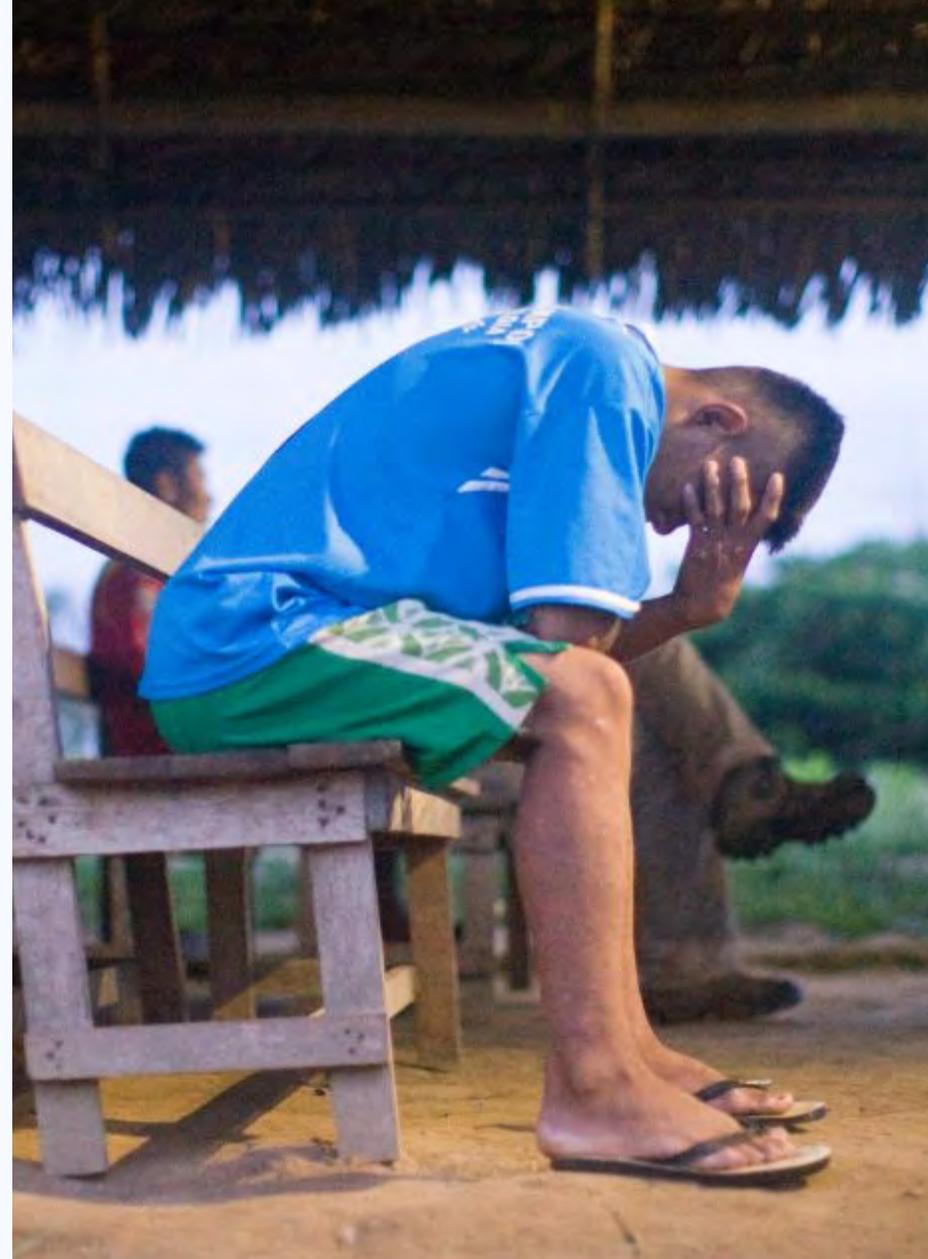
Discipleship

As a new believer, a leader of an indigenous village in Ecuador began to feel convicted that his tribes' healing rituals — using certain rocks and other sacred objects to channel the earth's healing power — was contrary to what the Bible teaches. One IMB missionary couple has a long-time relationship with this tribe and is mentoring this leader and other leaders of nearby villages as they seek to follow the Holy Spirit on this issue.



Healthy Church Formation

In Guatemala, there is a church plant intent on sharing the gospel with those around them. As the church grows and leaders are trained, the church is guiding its members and caring for those in the congregation, often holding church services in the homes of those who are sick and unable to attend regularly.





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Leadership Development

Among the N people group, six leading couples are learning about biblical and culturally relevant ways to worship the Lord. These couples are totally committed to the Lord and eager to learn. As they learn, they are telling everyone they meet how Christ has changed their lives.



Exit to Partnership

In 2019, an IMB family had to exit their engagement among the P people of Guatemala much sooner than they had expected. Because of this family's seventeen year dedication to the Missionary Task, the P people now have several healthy churches and equipped leaders who continue to reach their own people.





2025 TARGETS

to engage unreached peoples and places

Mobilize 75% of Southern Baptist churches prayerfully
and financially supporting LMCO

—
Send an additional 500 fully funded missionaries

—
Mobilize 500 global missionary partners on IMB teams

—
Engage 75 global cities in comprehensive strategies

—
Increase LMCO receipts 6% annually





Please Pray

Give thanks for the 9% increase in those who have heard the gospel, but also pray fervently for all believers to share their faith more consistently.

Intercede for believers who live where access is limited and persecution poses a threat as they seek to meet for Bible study and worship.



Please Pray

Ask God to guide the mobilization of 500 global missionary partners to join IMB teams in reaching the nations.

Pray that the Lord will inspire missionaries with creative and productive strategies to engage 75 global cities with the Good News.

Ask the Lord to send an additional 500 missionaries and ask Him to show you what role He has for you.



Every church. Every nation.



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