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Canadian Missions Initiative

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The importance of this program is explained in the following excerpts from an article by Richard Fangrad, CEO of Creation Ministries International (Canada).

Missions: we're all in this together

By Richard Fangrad

When someone mentions “missions” do your thoughts turn to far away, third world countries? Yes? You’re not alone. Most Christians see missions work as something that certain Christians are called to do in distant lands.

But evangelism is not *only* about missions work in other countries. The scale below is used by missions organizations to better grasp the big picture when it comes to global evangelism.

E0 - evangelism among church-attendees, children of Christian parents, backslidden Christians.

E1 - evangelism to non-Christians in the same culture.

E2 - evangelism to non-Christians in a different culture, with the same language.

E3 - evangelism to non-Christians in a different culture, with a different language.

Consider that the fruit of E0 evangelism actually supports the other levels. The funding for E1-E3 (obviously) comes from churches that have a heart to see people reached with the gospel. If the base for that support declines E1, 2 and 3 will evaporate.

Surveys indicate that it is the Bible-believing conservative churches that fund the bulk of missions work, not the more liberal types. What would happen if the typically strong evangelical churches lost the desire to fund missionaries because their trust in the authority of Scripture was being eroded?

Building Canadian Christians: the key to global missions

Tragically, young people (our very own children), who grow up in the church, are leaving the church by the thousands. Some church denominations in the US record that the number of young people who leave the church at age 18 (when they are in post-secondary education), is more than 80%. We are not aware of similar surveys in Canada but would the numbers be any better than in the US? What if Canadian

churches “only” suffered a loss of 50% of our young people? We would still be bleeding to death as a church.

What reason do the great majority of young people today give for leaving the church? It’s because they believe that “science” has disproved the Bible, they believe the Bible cannot explain dinosaurs, fossils, etc. They get to high school and university and their textbooks and professors are happy to give them all kinds of evidence in support of evolution. And because they typically have not been taught in this area at home or in the church, it doesn’t take many students long to figure out that what they are hearing in university is not compatible with the Bible. It’s a fast track to leaving the church.

An experienced local evangelist who regularly talks to young people about Jesus wrote, “I know FOR SURE that anyone who says that evolution is a side issue just isn’t sharing the gospel ... period!”

We are losing the battle

At the E0 level of evangelism we are losing the battle—losing by a landslide! But it need not be that way. And all other levels of evangelism will suffer if we do not focus attention at that level. Help is desperately needed to equip our young people (and their parents) to understand and refute the attacks on Scripture by evolutionists. By doing this the church in Canada could see huge growth. We know the power of creation evangelism, so imagine if we could reduce the number of young people leaving the church to 10%. Churches would grow rapidly by simply evangelizing our own children and equipping them to the point where they can confidently sit under the teaching of evolutionist teachers and not be swayed away from Christianity!

Does your church support E0 level evangelistic organizations?

Missions is not just something that takes place far away. Local missions, inside the church, is a vital part of global evangelism. We’re all in this together. Does your church support organizations like CMI that focus on E0 level evangelism/equipping? If not, why not ask your church to consider adding CMI to the missions portion of the budget?

Join the Canadian Missions Initiative by sign up for regular monthly support

Through your monthly support you will enable CMI to continue to equip and encourage the church across Canada, leading to an advance in missions outreach at all levels (E0-E3). By equipping folks in your church (E0 level) they will:

1. Be better able to confidently witness to their friends (E1 level). This enables church growth:
 - By ensuring that current church members grow strong in knowledge that God’s Word really is true (even in the controversial areas like Genesis) they don’t leave the church while they are in high school or post-secondary education.
 - Through local evangelism—as church members clearly explain the Gospel and remove the mental ‘stumbling blocks’ that exist in so many minds today to accepting the free gift of the Gospel.
2. Equipped Christians, those who know the power of the Gospel and that Christianity is based on the truth of Scripture see the need for evangelism in distant lands (E2 & E3 level).

Monthly Pre-Authorized Debit Support for CMI-Canada Signup form



Giving made easier!

Pre-authorized Debit (PAD) is a convenient service that allows you to make regular donations to *Creation Ministries International* automatically from your bank account. By utilizing this cost-effective service, we can both be better stewards of God's resources by reducing processing costs and saving time.

Benefits

- Save on time, postage, stationery - no more writing and mailing cheques.
- Reduce your taxes. CMI is a registered charity.
- Peace of mind knowing that God is using your regular monthly support to change lives.

How to get started

1. Fill in the form below.
2. For debit from a bank account please enclose a blank cheque marked "VOID". (This to be sure that we get your banking information correct)
3. Mail the completed form and blank cheque to CMI.

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(See page 4 for additional details.)

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You will receive an official tax receipt for all donations made through this plan, and any additional donations, early in the new year.

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