



"Many, O LORD my God, are the wonders you have done, the things you planned for us no one can recount to you; were I to speak and tell of them, they would be too many to declare. Psalms 40:5

"And afterward, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days." Joel 2:28-29

"IT'S A TERRIBLE THING TO SEE, BUT HAVE NO VISION" HELEN KELLER

I.) IDEA FORMATION

During the first meeting of the Evangelist Service Committee held in Miami this past February, we began to brainstorm, pray, and discuss the possible impact of the ICOC Churches in this new decade. These Committee discussions led us to realize that a vision around the world is needed for the new Decade.

The Committee decided that the idea for the new decade be entitled, 20/20 Vision. The Evangelist Committee agreed that it would ask each worldwide Geographic Regional Family of Churches, to develop their Region's "20/20 Vision" plans for the new decade ending in the year 2020.

- **Purpose**

The Evangelists Committee has agreed to form a "20/20 Vision" Sub-Committee, to be tasked with the responsibilities of serving, providing requested assistance, offering various resources, tools, information, and coordination in casting and executing their 20/20 Vision Plans. The ICOC 20/20 Vision Plans will cover a ten year period, beginning in 2010 and concluding at the end of the calendar year 2020.

- **Mission**

The Mission of this Committee is to serve the Geographic Regional Families of Churches of the International Churches of Christ, in the casting, execution, and monitoring of their 20/20 Vision Plans.

- **Committee Members**

The Evangelist Committee has selected John Causey to serve as the Chairman of the 20/20 Vision Committee. The Committee will also include the following evangelists who also serve as members the Evangelist Service Team: Bruce Williams - Los Angeles, Mike Taliaferro – San Antonio Texas, Javier Amaya - Central America, and Steve Chin - China. The Committee may enlist other evangelists, on a project by project basis to provide specialized services and assistance.

II.) GEOGRAPHIC REGIONAL PLAN

- **Regional Template**

The Committee will provide each Region with a 20/20 Vision Template, which we are asking to be utilized by the Regional Family of Churches when developing their 20/20 Vision. This will allow for continuity between all the Regional 20/20 Vision Plans.

The following are some suggested areas to be considered in your 20/20 Vision Plan development. This list represents only suggestions, and is not meant to be an exhaustive sample:

- **Regional Cooperation** – *The Vision for uniting member and other churches within the region. Accomplishing this through cooperation, promoting greater participation and collaboration with regional conferences, workshops, schools of ministry, etc.*
- **Church Plantings** – *The Vision for church plantings during the next decade. We currently have ICOC churches located all around the world, yet there are many areas of the world where the gospel of Christ needs to be preached.*
- **Membership / Growth** – *The Vision for church growth in your specific Region.*
- **Missions** – *The Vision for providing financial and spiritual support for churches in our fellowship needing assistance.*
- **Campus Ministry** – *The Vision for beginning new campus ministries within our Regions, and the dream to train up new leaders from our Campus Ministries. To appoint evangelists from the trained Campus Leaders.*
- **Married and Family Ministry** – *The Vision to build exemplary married and family ministries within our churches that equip our members to help transform the families in their communities as well as raise our children to be the next generation of disciples. This could include having 2nd Generation Kingdom Kids serve in the full time ministry, lead ministries and churches, and possibly new mission plantings by 2020.*
- **Women’s Ministry** – *The Vision to have powerful women’s ministries within our churches. To also raise the profile of the women’s role and influence within the Churches.*
- **Single’s Ministry** – *The Vision to bring miraculous growth to our churches as we learn to attract, retain and equip the millions of single adults in our communities.*

- **HOPE Worldwide** - *The vision to support the international charity founded in 1991 by churches now known as the International Churches of Christ. The Core Service Programs of HOPE worldwide for cooperating churches include, the International Day of Giving, Disaster Response and Community Service through Local Chapters. Additional Service Opportunities for churches may include the HOPE Youth Corps, International Service and Support and other programs for serving the poor. Indicate your church's strategic plan for supporting and participating in the activities of HOPE worldwide.*
- **Core Service Programs:**
 1. *International Day of Giving – The opportunity for churches to provide annual financial support for HOPE worldwide culminates in the International Day of Giving near the fourth quarter of each year. The International Day of Giving is intended to serve primarily as a fundraising activity when disciples reach out to their communities of friends, families and co-workers to raise support for HOPE worldwide.*
 2. *Response to Disasters – HOPE worldwide spearheads the church's response to worldwide disasters by providing disaster relief and recovery services and raising funds and other resources in response to disasters.*
 3. *Community Service through Local Chapters – The service activities of HOPE worldwide in your community are administered primarily through local chapters of HOPE worldwide. Volunteer activities for your church members and levels of funding are determined by the local church.*
 4. *HOPE Youth Corps*
- **Other Programs for Serving the Poor** – *Some churches desire to participate in other programs for serving the poor that are not encompassed by the program categories described above.*
- **Worship** – *The Vision to best use resources to build a worship experience that is a light to the community.*
- **Elders & Leadership Development** – *The Vision to train and appoint additional Elders and Deacons in our Regions. To provide training programs for full time staff development and schools of ministry. Many of our Churches around the world need spiritual, mature, and tested brothers to serve in the roles.*
- **Special Geographic Projects** – *These would constitute various Vision focuses that may be unique to a specific Continent, Region, City, or perhaps Community. Suggestions could be Music Ministry, International Ministry, Ethnic Ministry, Youth Ministry, HOPE Worldwide Projects, or other ideas.*

- **Regional Updates**

Our aim is to provide and exchange materials, stories, and updates from around the world. This will inspire faith and great encouragement to our churches.

- *Good News Sharing – From Regions Worldwide*
- *Annual Progress Updates – Churches Worldwide*

- **Regional Plan Evaluations**

Develop a 20/20 Vision Feedback Strategy to ensure we remain on course. Periodic feedback sessions will assist us in determining if our plans are still relevant and manageable. Periodic assessments will enable us to maintain a healthy and spiritual focus.

Every Three Years – Regional Progress Report

- **ICOC Integration**

The 20/20 Vision Plans from each Regional family of Churches will represent the combined Vision for our worldwide fellowship of churches.

- *The 20/20 Vision Plans will not represent a set of goals the Church is attempting to reach during the next decade, or a commitment by any of our Churches to perform a set of objectives.*
- *The 20/20 Vision is to provide Inspiration, Faith, and Vision, for what our God can do through our churches during the next decade.*

- **Bottom Up Consolidation of all Plans**

The 20/20 Vision Plans will be forwarded up to the Evangelist Committee, and not handed down from the Evangelist Committee or 20/20 Vision Sub-Committee. This will provide for greater customization of the Regional Plans

III.) 20/20 COMMUNICATION

- **Media Outlets**

- **IcocHotNews** - will help each geographic family of churches present a video summary of their 2020 Vision to our churches worldwide. It will be inspiring and exciting for disciples everywhere to view the plans of other Geographic regions from around the world. To distribute these videos, HotNews will use its regular DVD News Magazine. We will also show them on www.IcocHotNews.com and www.disciplestoday.org and distribute them at seminars. IcocHotNews will help churches that are not be able to produce and edit a professional looking video. We would like every family of churches to come up with a great three to five minute video. For those churches with the capability to produce and edit their own videos, IcocHotNews will simply distribute them to the world.
- **Disciples Today Media Platforms** – including DToday.org, the official ICOC websites, DToday.tv, social media, etc.
- **Video Conferencing**
- **You-Tube & other new Digital Platforms**
- **Local Church Websites**

- **Website & Online Platforms**

- **Disciples Today Media**
- **Information / Stories**
- **Resources / Tools**
- **Strategies / Effective Programs**

IV.) 20/20 LAUNCH

- **2010 ILC**

- **2010 International Leadership Conference** – The initial worldwide launch and introduction of the 20/20 Vision Plan, will be presented during the Saturday Evening Session at the 2010 ILC in Miami. The presentation will be given by Bruce Williams - Evangelist Service Team Chairman, and John Causey - 20/20 Vision Committee Chairman. We are hoping to have 2 US regions and 2 non-US regions share their 20/20 Vision Plan.

- **Regional Conferences**

- Each Geographic Regional Family of Churches, will conduct it's own 20/20 Vision Launch, during Regional Conferences, Seminars, or other designated gatherings. The Evangelist Service Team will formulate a time-line for the completion of each Geographic Regional Launch.