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“A Global Word Church”

“THE 7 PILLARS OF OUR CHURCH”

7 Pillars Part 7: Outreach and Missions

- **Outreach** – the act of extending services, benefits, etc., to a wider section of the population.
- **Missions** — Also called foreign missions - a group of persons sent by a church to carry out religious work, especially evangelization, in foreign lands. The goal is often to establish schools, hospitals, etc.

Outreach by church standards refers to **activities** outside of the local church to better the surrounding community.

Missions deals with outreach that spans the **globe**.

- **Mark 16:15**, which we know as the **great commission** or the great commandment has a very important word that is at the root of outreach - GO.
 - In other words, what is paramount is not where you **are** but where you need to **go**.
 - That word **preach** not only refers to pontificating and promulgating, but also, to show what the gospel is.
 - When we **engage** in outreach, we preach with our **actions**.

- The church has become **professional** at **Inreach**. Inreach simply means only focusing on the inside of the local church.
 - Although Inreach has its place and is important, it is our **love** for each other inside which **overflows** to the outside and becomes outreach.
- A church, which doesn't care about outreach, is simply a **social club**. We are called to be an extension of Christ. **Isaiah 61:1-3**
- We are Christians or little Christs, which means, we have to be what **Jesus** would be if He were still here.
- There is a group of people who do not need to care about outreach - people who don't care about people. This is **impossible** if you truly love God. **1 John 4:20**
 - As a child of God and a member of a local church, it is our duty to **engage** in outreach to **change** the world.

There are two main resources that determine not only outreach, but also, how **effective** the outreach will be.

1. **People** resources
2. **Monetary** resources

These resources were placed in this order, because without the first there would not be a second. We must not only partake in giving **financially**, but also, in the giving of **ourselves**.

One of the greatest benefits of outreach to the Kingdom and local church is **growth** - bringing **people** into the body of Christ