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**Billion.Global Vision
Overview**

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Introduction

Billion.Global is a passionate vision to give one billion people the opportunity to hear, understand, and believe the Good News of Jesus Christ by the year 2026.

How did it begin?

This vision originated from a burden placed on the heart of Bob Fetherlin, the current President of One Mission Society (OMS). One Mission Society is an evangelical mission organization that partners with over 180 organizations and 30 denominations to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ and make communities of disciples globally. OMS launched the Billion.Global Vision on July 1, 2016 during its biannual international conference in Marion, Indiana, and now the vision has grown to include partners beyond the organization's influence.

Who will carry out this vision?

Local, national, and international Christian organizations from around the world can become a part of Billion.Global! We seek to unite with those who...

1. Have a like burden for reaching lost people with the Gospel of Jesus Christ
2. Believe and share the Good News
3. Make disciples and start new groups of Christ followers

When organizations or individuals pledge to become a part of this vision they become a member of the Billion.Global Coalition. The Billion.Global Coalition is simply the group of partners that is joining efforts to see this vision come true. We want to see all believers from around the world engaged in this vision that God originally gave to OMS!

How do we accomplish this vision?

Alone we cannot. With God's provision and empowerment, we can. We can "do everything through him who gives us strength" (Philippians 4:13). We also need one another—"How good and pleasant it is when brothers live together in unity . . . for there the Lord bestows his blessing, even life forevermore" (Psalm 133:1, 3). We accomplish this vision with one opportunity, one conversation, one person at a time. We deeply trust a God who can take our of contributions and multiply them a billion-fold.



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What We Stand For

Our Coalition Manifesto

“We commit to love God and our neighbors wholeheartedly, those living close to us and those living around the world. We commit to love people abundantly by giving an opportunity to hear, understand, and believe the Good News of Jesus Christ to those who have not yet heard. We pray that God will take our efforts and multiply them so that over a 10-year period (2016-2026), at least one billion people will have the opportunity to respond to the Gospel.”



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Coalition Principles

Diligence

- Work diligently to focus as many resources as possible on people without access to the gospel, and make sure new believers are discipled and new worshipping groups are established.

Accountability

- Pay our own way for our involvement in the Billion.Global Coalition.
- Annually share our statistics of valid opportunities God has, by His grace, used us to give.

Networking

- Seek new coalition partners within your sphere of influence.

Expanding Partners' Platforms

- Regularly share relevant tools, strategies, and breakthrough ideas with one another through our respective agency representatives.

United Prayer

- Mutually intercede for God's empowerment and provision to accomplish this vision.

Humility

- Refuse any glory for ourselves or our organizations, giving all glory to God.



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Why Join the Coalition?

Benefits of Kingdom Synergy

- 1. Accomplish more together than by working alone.**
- 2. Network and encourage each other, by sharing stories of transformed lives through faith in Jesus Christ.**
- 3. Give training in your areas of strength, and receive training in your areas of weakness.**
- 4. Share evangelistic, discipleship, leadership and/or church planting materials and curriculum with each other.**
- 5. Cultivate deep relationships with coalition partners who are working in the same ministries and/or geographical areas as your organization.**
- 6. Strengthen prayer intercession for each other's ministries.**
- 7. Join together in reporting number of persons who have received an opportunity to hear, understand, and believe the Good News.**
- 8. Share the burden for the lost, fueling each other's passion to reach the darkest places of the world.**

“Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!” Psalm 133:1



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Frequently Asked Questions

FAQ 1: Does this mean the Billion.Global Coalition is aiming to see one billion people make decisions for Christ over a ten-year period?

While this would be wonderful, it is not the intended meaning. Jesus said in Matthew 7:14, “Small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it.” If one billion people are given the opportunity to understand and respond, the number who actually decide through repentance and saving faith to become followers of Jesus will be sadly much less.

FAQ 2: How will the one billion opportunities be counted?

In order to fulfill the Billion.Global vision of giving one billion people at least one opportunity to hear, understand and believe the Good News of Jesus, each Billion.Global Coalition partner will need to keep track of how many people they have presented with at least one opportunity. To learn how each partner can keep track of these opportunities refer to the [Counting the One Billion](#) document.

FAQ 3: What are some of the greatest threats to this vision being carried out?

Pride – Thus must be all about Christ, not about us.

Prayerlessness – Without it, we fail to be what he desires and to accomplish what honors him.

Poor discipleship – An intentional journey of discipleship within a Christ-centered community of faith is an absolute, biblical necessity to which we are deeply committed.

FAQ 4: What is meant by “one opportunity”?

Billion.Global defines a valid opportunity as gaining enough understanding of the Gospel to be able to make a decision about following Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. We affirm the Holy Spirit’s role in bringing people to understanding, and while the process is different for each person, most people require multiple exposures to the good news accompanied by meeting and being able to observe, even interact with, an already-committed follower. Hearing the Gospel via media: radio, television, on social media, having exposure to it via the internet, and going to church can help to develop the needed understanding. However, as much as possible we encourage face-to-face encounters, where people hear the Gospel, get responses to their questions, and are invited to pray to receive Christ. We trust coalition partners to use wisdom and discernment in reporting opportunities that have been given.

FAQ 5: Is there a specific way we should share the Gospel with others?

There are many different ways to tell the Good News, and there are many methods to do it. Each time it is told, aspects of the Gospel Story receive varying degrees of emphasis. This is to be expected when the message of God’s saving grace is conveyed by millions of people in millions of different situations and contexts. Even so, we believe it’s important to clarify what we mean when we speak of the Good News of Jesus. Please refer to the [Sharing the Gospel](#) document to understand how to effectively share the Gospel with others around the world.

**If you have a question that you think should be on this list please
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