## PEM STRATEGY

Every European believer, pastor, local and national church is involved in fulfilling the Great Commission



## Role of PEM

- The role of PEM is to serve the Pentecostal churches and movements in Europe by
  - 1. Empowering them for the world missions
  - 2. Doing commonly agreed part of the world missions through its own structure.



### **PEM Mission Statement**

PEM will promote the fulfilment of the Great Commission by mobilizing all PEF member churches to reach the whole world with the whole gospel.



### **PEM Vision Statement**

PEM will be a dynamic mission motivator, coordinator, instructor and implementer in order to empower the European Pentecostal churches for global missions.



### Values

- Unity
  - We strive for unity in Christ, and cooperate in partnership taking the efforts of others in consideration across cultural borders in fulfilling the Great Commission.
- Value of every individual from the divine perspective
  - We act in love towards every individual regardless of their ethnic background, religion, or gender, and recognise their temporal and eternal value. (Jh 3,16)
- Holism
  - We want to serve and meet the whole scale of needs of human beings the spiritual, physical and emotional
- Truthfulness
  - We want to be real, transparent, trustworthy, accountable, and standing behind the truth as revealed in the Bible, the word of God
- General call

 The fulfilment of the Great Commission is the responsibility of every member of the church

### **Guiding Principles / Policies**

- Leadership of the Holy Spirit
  - We believe that the Holy Spirit is the initiator and leader of mission activities, and we need Him to guide our actions.
- Bible as the basis and Jesus as the only saviour and way to God
  - Bible defines our criteria for mission
- Cultural diversity
  - We act in a culturally sensitive way in multinational contexts
- Transforming the societies
  - We want to be visible and inclusive towards the society in our activities
- Networking / partnering
  - In areas of existing churches, work is done in partnership especially with the national Pentecostal movements and churches
- Emphasizing the unreached
  - We want to reach those who have never heard the gospel

- Multiplication
  - Whatever we do we want to see multiplied
- Establishing strong indigenous churches
  - We want to follow the four-self principle
    - Self-governing, self-supporting, selfpropagating, and self-theologising
    - This principle emphasizes that the indigenous church is not led, governed, financed, nor is its practical theology decided from outside.
- Including all age groups from children to seniors
  - Missions training and programmes start from children and young people, and are provided for all age-groups.
- Welfare of the involved people
  - We pay attention to the member care of the missionaries, education of the missionary children, and welfare of the PEM office and other workers

### **Success Factors**

- Prayer and recognising the will of God
- Empowerment
- Effective networking and cooperating→ synergy
  - We need to have functioning communication and links to the local church level Europewide.
- Excellent and up-to-date communication

- Team-based ministry and team-thinking
- Lobbying (community relationships including national governance and EU contacts)
- Good structure and human resources management (HRM)

### PEM Main Goal

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# Main activities – How to reach the goal?

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- Empowering
- Networking and Involving
- Doing cross-cultural holistic missions



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- Praying
  - Developing prayer movements and networks and providing tools for churches to become active in prayer for missions and guaranteeing prayer support for every missionary.
- Empowering
  - We want to enable European churches and movements, including different age groups, to become mission-minded.
  - PEM is providing training, conferences, consultations, information, materials, services, networks, etc. to equip European churches to do their part in missions.
  - We want to impact on the quality of missions by providing certification criteria for various areas of missions activities
- Networking and involving
  - We want to have strong networks of and between the PEM member organisations, PEF churches, and international partners having all of them involved in doing missions.
- Doing cross-cultural holistic missions
  - PEM is initiating additional joint humanitarian actions, special missions programmes, etc.



## Supportive activities

- Leadership
- Communication
- Human Resources Management (HRM)
- Fund Raising
- Administration



### Leadership I (Responsible to PEF)



### Leadership II

#### PEM-Certificates

- Certificates for the quality of work of PEM member organisations, e.g.:
  - Certificates for the quality of each of the five supportive process factors (leadership, Communication, HRM, Fundraising, Administration)
  - Basic Missions ethics
  - Other needed criteria
- Good centre, office, etc.
- Centres for specialised work areas (immigrants, how to include children into missions, etc.) – best practices made available for all; connect people of the same interest

#### Networks:

- E.g. World Missions Commission / Pentecostal World Fellowship (PWF)
- Pentecostal Asian Mission (PAM)
- World Assemblies of God Fellowship (WAGF)

### Communication

- At the moment: Web page, prayer letter in development
- Web page
- Manuals
- Good webmaster and graphic designers needed
  - More people with ability to update the webpage
- Intranet created

- Journalist needed.
  - Used existing materials from PEM-members, material in English is asked for
- Presence in national conferences
  - Good brochures, roll-ups, cds, etc.
  - PEM partnering with the national Missions
     Conferences, cooperation with PEF and PEF branches
  - Informing about practical paths to missions

### Human Resource Management

- Principle: We want to get missionaries sent by different organisations to serve PEM full time (personnel needed)
- Possibility to get experts in member care of missionaries, bank of experts created
  - They could form a team and an action plan; member organisations will be asked about their experts, and then these people could be contacted and asked to form a team which could define the need / these experts can be asked to help when organisations have a need
- Teams specialised for different areas (immigrants, short term missions, web page...)

#### Missionary training

- PEM Mission Course
- Scholarship funds foundation: to Fida Missions Course, BA or MA in Missions in CTS, or other recommended mission education programmes
- To create a medium-term program with training and practice (not a summer-course)
- To explore the Bible school possibilities (CTS etc.) to create longer practice programmes, including discipling

### Fund Raising

- Practical / technical ways to raise funds
  - Web page will be used for fundraising, to support PEM, different humanitarian crises needs etc., Impact Now 2011, etc.
  - SMS donating
  - EU funds (full time person for this)
  - Scholarship funds
  - Common funds for humanitarian crisis

- Membership fees
- Consultation registration fee
- Special offerings and campaigns
- Humanitarian crisis situations and collections
- Network of European Pentecostal Business people to support Missions

### Administration

- Representing best practices and principles of how to do a good administration
- PEM works meeting European standards, valuing training, and transparency

- Professionals needed in administration
- Making difference between administration and management (leadership = what to do, management = how to do)

### Objectives: Where is PEM in 2020?

- 3000 Full time missionaries
- At least 7000 short time missionaries annually
- Work started among at least 200 new unreached or least reached people groups
- A strong prayer support for missions with at least 100 000 committed intercessors
- Everyone in Europe has heard the gospel

### 3000 Full time missionaries

- National movements are inspired to contribute on their part.
  - National / organisational strategies encouraged
- Flexibility for movements to communicate the vision in a way fitting to their cultural context
- Suggestion: every local church involved in supporting a missionary or a missionary family at least in a small measure
- Need to inspire more missionary candidates
- Need to monitor the ways of going and sending

- Missions conferences & ways of challenging people needed
  - Pastors needed to be there
- Material to challenge needed
- PEM should encourage national movements to have mission conferences (including leaders), and missions funds annually (on local church and movement basis)
- Manual with practical thoughts
- Whole strategy made together as a booklet / manual, and in addition manuals with suggestions (not binding obligations)

# 7000 annual short term missionaries

- Short term missions has to be meeting a need of the field (various teams needed; expertise, professionals, with vision for certain work etc.)
  - Reaching the unreached, also in Europe
- PEM Short term database / manual offered, also with practical information of how to do it (putting together the wisdom of different movements)
  - National missions agencies included and their work mentioned → network
- Definition of short term mission:
  - Short term until one year (with flexibility)
  - Cross-cultural, intercultural
  - Can include different things and ministry types
  - Provided for all age groups from children to seniors
- Providing path to long term missionary work
- Church-based teams encouraged
  - Missional churches

- The responsibility division between PEFY and PEM
  - Cooperation with PEFY with the shortest short term outreaches
    - Good cooperation with the PEFY Impact Teams Coordinator important
    - To establish a common short term
      office
- Partnering with other PEF-linked ministries with short term expertise
  - Partnership agreements
- Cooperation with Bible training institutions
- Gather the needs of various movements
- Training
  - PEFY Team leadership training used
  - PEM Mission Course
  - PEF Impacts
  - Good preparation required from each team
  - Other

### Work started among at least 200 new unreached (URP) or least reached (LRP) people groups

- The direction and leadership of Holy Spirit is respected in this
- Clear goal: work started among 200 new LRPs (of which still exist over 600 groups) or URPs
- Special emphasis on URPs and immigrants in Europe
- Short term mission teams serving in Europe especially
- Encourage the national churches to especially see the URPs in Europe, and to reach them
- Material Centre needed to meet the needs in Europe
- Media used to reach this objective
- Training
- Training the churches and teams to start the cross-cultural ministry in Europe
- Benefiting from the experience of the organisations already involved in cross-cultural ministry
- Bible translation needed in many cases

- Holistic and social approach needed
  - Cooperation with Pentecostal European Social ministries (PES)
- Special PEM team formed
  - To identify
    - The existing ministry of PEM members, to see which groups already are been touched
    - What different organisations plan to or could target
    - To find out about URPs and especially who are the LRP globally and in Europe
  - To make a list of recommended new people groups to start the work among
    - Organisations are asked to take the responsibility of starting the work amongst them
- Use the former missionaries who worked among different peoples and have returned back to Europe
  - Possibility to have a "Timothy"-program in Europe for younger people to work together with older missionary and learn from him/her

# Strong prayer support of at least 100 000 intercessors

- Successful implementation of 2020 objectives is based on prayer
  - The amount of full time missionaries rises by prayer
- Prayer strategy needed
  - Prayer days organised
  - Missionaries need prayer letters
  - Good links, information sharing,
  - The sensitivity of the matters taken into consideration
    - Intranet
  - Prayer networks that reach more and can react to sudden needs
  - Prayer letter (The team working in it) well protected
  - Prayer coordinator and coordination team needed

- Found out what prayer movements already are there
- Every missionary has at least 10 committed intercessors behind him/her
  - Emphasizing the need of missionaries to gather prayer support behind them, required from missionaries like financial support
- PEM members have prayer in their programmes and offices
- Flexibility for movements to communicate the vision in a way fitting to their cultural context

# Everyone in Europe has heard the Gospel

- Cooperation with PEF and PEF branches
- Immigrants in Europe
  - Both to be reached and used as evangelists
- Special team formed to concentrate on this objective
  - The needs in Europe mapped
  - Mapping what is already been done and by whom
  - In team PEF, PEFY, PEM, immigration expertise, pastoral sight, media

- Need to avoid narrow approaches
  - Various channels used
  - Wide collaboration of different ministries encouraged