

**Vision:**

To help Converge churches increase their effectiveness in reaching the least-reached

**Goals:**

- By 2020, develop 25 cohorts of missions-focused churches through the efforts of Converge Champion Churches.
- By 2023, Help 50 unengaged churches develop an active, strategic and effective cross-cultural ministry – locally and globally.
- By 2025, see 300 new missionaries serving the least-reached from Converge churches.



## Preparation & Deployment

### God Highlights: How the Lord prepared me for missions mobilization

- ✓ 1990s: Discerned God's clear calling on my life as a teenager
- ✓ 1994: Participated as a teenager in my first missions trip to Mexico
- ✓ 1995-1999: Attended Baptist Bible College in Springfield, MO and graduated with a B.A. in Missions and Bible
- ✓ 1999-2002: Led my first team as a Youth Pastor to Monterrey, Mexico working with deaf individuals
- ✓ 2002-2007: Led multiple teams from Life Church in California and was mentored by Don Sappington in mobilization
- ✓ 2008-2016: Developed multiple short-term mission trips and the missionary partnership strategy for Stapleton Fellowship Church as the Executive Pastor
- ✓ 2014: Mentored two individuals called to Estonia from SFC as they prepared for missionary service
- ✓ 2015: Began involvement with local, cross-cultural missions with an African soccer team
- ✓ 2016: Began work on a Masters of Intercultural Studies through Columbia International University in Columbia, SC
- ✓ 2016-2017: Served as the Training Coordinator for Horizons International with specific focus on Muslims

### April 2017 – January 2018

*GOAL: Support development and general start-up plan for fulltime mission ministry*

- ✓ APR - JUNE 2017: Explored the hiring and on-boarding process with Converge and developed this role
- ✓ JULY 2017: Accepted missionary appointment from Converge as a Church Mobilization Specialist
- SEPT 2017: Attend the 3-day Converge MPD "Focus" Orientation in Orlando; continue developing ministry plan and other needed support-raising tools and training
- Obtain monthly financial commitments from 30-50 partners
- Complete any Converge requirements assigned to me prior to beginning my ministry

### Plan for Year 1

*GOAL: Building a foundation, networking and relationships*

- Synthesize with Converge International Ministries leadership on the strategy and direction of our mobilization efforts
- Make direct contact with all 25 Converge "Champion Churches" and develop relationships strategic to moving the cohort strategy forward
- Make contact with all of the Converge churches in the Rocky Mountain District where I live to begin relationships strategic to our mobilization goals
- Develop trainings for local churches and leaders relating to cross-cultural ministry and short-term teams
- Begin offering myself to bring the above trainings and seminars to local churches
- Develop a plan for leadership vision trips in 2019

### Plan for Years 2-5

*GOAL: Active cohorts and growing cross-cultural ministry in Converge churches*

- Enlarge the scope of connecting with churches and expand to more districts
- Activate annual leadership vision trips connecting churches to specific Converge cross-cultural initiatives
- Broaden the development and reach of our cross-cultural seminars and trainings
- Develop new marketing and emphasis for Converge International Ministries making it easier for local churches to connect with the national movement
- Continue to develop current and new Champion Churches within Converge and mentor their expansion efforts

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