



Global Trend Analysis

Global-Regional-Local Factors Effecting Mission Agencies Today

References:

- Global Trends 2030: Alternative Worlds, National Intelligence Council
- Global Trends Analysis, First Fruit, Inc.

The Reflective-Practitioner



Women and men of both action and study; rooted in the Word of God and the Church of Christ; obedient to the power of God's Spirit to the Great Commission in all its fullness; servants who are globalized in perspective; citizens of their own cultures but also the world; leaders who are passionate of heart and who also reflect the heart of Christ.

Dr. William Taylor (Global Missiology for the 21st Century)



10 Megatrends

Becoming an information society (after being an industrial one)	From technology being forced into use, to technology being pulled into use)	From a national economy to a globalized one
From short term to long term perspectives	From centralization to decentralization	From getting help through governments and other institutions to self-help
From representatives to participative democracy	From hierarchies to networking	From northeastern bias to southwestern (US)
From seeing things as either/or choices to having more choices		Source: John Naisbitt, Megatrends, 1988

Situational Analysis



Growth in World Religions	Influence of the Church of the South and East	Redefining Christian Orthodoxy
Role of the Next Generation	Marginalization of Women and Children	Rising Religious Persecution
Growth of Global Generosity	Flattening Effects of Technology	Growth of Secular Humanism
Growth of Illiteracy and Orality		Source: Global Trends Analysis, First Fruit, Inc.

Growing Middle Class	Multi-Polar Power	Rapid Urbanization
Food-Energy-Water Crises	Uncertainty of Global Economy	Greater Importance of Good Governance
Increased Conflict Everywhere	Regional-Global Instability	Changing Role of Technology
Changing Role of the USA	Rising Influence of BRIC Countries	Source: Global Trends 2030: Alternative Worlds, National Intelligence Council

Themes / Trends



Religion/Ideology	Influence of Church of South/East	Redefining Christian Orthodoxy	Growth in World Religions	Growth of Secular Humanism	Rising Religious Persecution	
Human Rights	Marginalization of Women and Children		Growth of Illiteracy and Orality		Immigration	
Conflicts/Crisis	Regional-Global Instability		Increased Conflict Everywhere		Food-Energy-Water Crises	
Economic Factors	Uncertain Global Economy	Growing Middle Class	Rapid Urbanization	Improved Governance	Global Generosity	Role of Technology
Power/Influence	Next Generation		Multi-Polar Power		Changing Role of the USA	Rising BRIC+