

60 WAYS TO BEGIN LIVING AS A **WORLD CHRISTIAN**

A healthy World Christian lifestyle encompasses our head, heart, and hands. Here are 60 ways you can begin growing as a World Christian through learning, praying, sending, welcoming, going, and mobilizing. Start with one (or more!) of these ideas and begin participating in God's global purpose today!

Learn

Discover the world and the people in it. Learn about God's heart for the nations and gain a new perspective about what it means to live missionally.

1. Start to think globally. Purchase a world map, hang it up, or save it on your computer. When you hear about a country, find it on the map.
2. Read or watch BBC, world news. Watch movies/read books that are cross-cultural, i.e., Blood Diamond, The Kite Runner, In America, The Visitor, Gran Torino, Hotel Rwanda.
3. Join or start a **MomentumYes** group with your friends, life group, neighbors, or co-workers. www.momentumyes.com
4. Register for the **Spiritual Multiplication** course (coming to Bethel in Fall 2021)
5. Take a **Perspectives, Pathways, or Kairos** course to grow your worldview and dig deeper into God's mission.
6. Use the **Stratus Earth** online tool to learn about the state of the world.

7. Research unreached people groups (UPGs) on **Operation World, Open Doors**, and/or **Joshua Project** online.
8. Read biographies of missionaries, testimonies of people in other cultures coming to Christ, books about cross-cultural ministry, etc.

Pray

Join with the Church and intercede on behalf of all nations who have yet to hear the Good News of Christ.

9. Pray when you hear about world events on the news!
10. Set a reminder every day at 10:40 am to pray for the unreached, or sign up for prayer reminders with **Pray for Tunisia, Open Doors**, etc.
11. Set aside 5 days of every week to pray for the THUMB people groups (i.e., Monday=Tribal; Tuesday=Hindu, Wednesday=Unreligious; Thursday=Muslim, Friday=Buddhist)
12. Use **Prayercast** videos during your prayer time. Visit prayercast.com.

13. Pray for Muslims during Ramadan. See Pray30Days.org.
14. Use world-prayer apps such as [Unreached of the Day](#), [Operation World](#), etc.
15. Sign up to be part of a prayer team for friends/family who are on short- or long-term mission trips.
16. Pray when you drive past the local mosque, and Hindu or Buddhist temples.
17. Pray intentionally when you encounter people from different backgrounds at a store, work, an athletic event, a traffic light, etc.
18. Don't underestimate the power of prayer: "The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective" (James 5:16).
19. Read about the Moravians who prayed 24/7 for a hundred years!
20. Read *Extreme Prayer*, by Greg Pruet.
24. Send a birthday card or care package to a Bethel missionary.
25. Organize a fundraiser event at your church or home (lemonade stand, garage sale, etc) and donate proceeds to support missionaries.
26. Say "yes" and give a donation when you receive a fundraiser letter from a friend going on a mission trip.
27. Offer to host dinners/fundraisers for mission trips or for friends who go as missionaries.
28. Personally support missionaries. For a list of the missionaries supported by your Bethel campus, visit bethelbible.com/missions/.
29. Fund a missionary to attend a debriefing program at [MTI](#) or [TRAIN International](#).
30. Give toward a specific mission project.
31. Focus on giving your money to unreached- people-group missions.
32. Read *Serving as Senders Today*, by Neal Pirolo.
33. Spend time reading articles found at missionarycare.com.
34. Use your skills to serve a missionary or mission agency, i.e., offer advice about business matters; aid leadership teams with planning, logistics, and maintaining grounds and facilities projects; help develop content for blogs and/or websites.

Send

Invest in and support other believers engaged in cross-cultural ministry.

21. Join the [Bethel Mission Team](#) to engage in Bethel's worldwide mission ministry and participate in corporate prayer and support of our mission partners.
22. Write an encouraging email to an overseas worker once a month.
23. Match whatever you spend on your "extras" (like eating out and entertainment) each month and give it to your church's cross-cultural goers.

Welcome

Welcome, serve, and extend Christ's love to international students and families in tangible ways.



35. Initiate a conversation with the next international you see (this will likely be more awkward for you than for them). Introduce yourself and ask questions about their culture. After your conversation, ask for their phone number so you can reconnect!
36. Go to UT-Tyler's recreation center or an international restaurant or grocery store to meet new international friends. Pray for "divine appointments" and be sensitive to God's leading.
37. "Adopt" an international student. Invite him or her to have coffee, see a movie, or attend an athletic event—or whatever you are doing! Invite the student to your home for dinner.
38. Bring an international friend to the [Foundry Coffee Shop](#) in downtown Tyler for coffee during the week or on Sunday mornings before the service. Invite them to attend music festivals and events like Open Mic Nights or use the venue as a meeting place with friends or business colleagues.
39. Talk to people from other backgrounds whom you see in stores, restaurants, or your church. Begin to build relationships with them.
40. Consider volunteering to teach your language to others who don't know it. Organize an "English Corner" for internationals who want to improve their English (i.e., one American per 2-4 internationals dialogue for an hour).
41. Assist refugees or recent immigrants in your city with simple things, like transportation or locating the post office. Ask how you can help them navigate new surroundings.
42. Use [find.bible](#) or the [Jesus Film Project](#) app to easily share Scripture with your friends in their own languages.
43. Read *Across the Street and Around the World* by Jeannie Marie.

Go

Immerse yourself in an unfamiliar culture with the intention of furthering the gospel there.

44. Take a short-term mission trip within the next year. Visit bethelbible.com/missions to learn about Bethel's upcoming short-term mission trips.
45. Find someone who was or is a long-term cross-cultural goer and ask to hear his/her story.
46. Serve for a specific project: build a well; organize a VBS; take a prayer journey, etc.
47. Consider giving a year of your life as an intern in a ministry or a job. Check out the options at [Operation Mobilization](#).
48. Take steps toward becoming a missionary by talking to your church leadership.
49. Consider moving to and working in countries where access is difficult by using your vocation, such as business, teaching, tourism, medical professions, etc. Visit www.scatterglobal.com.
50. Read *Radical* by David Platt.



Mobilize

Seek out and empower others to enlist in God's global purpose.

51. Start a six-week **MomentumYes** group with your friends, life-group, or co-workers.
52. Integrate elements from **Xplore** into your small group or Bible study.
53. When you pray before meals, pray for a missionary or unreached people group.
54. Invite a missionary or mission volunteer to share with your small group.
55. Equip others with resources to pray effectively (**Prayercast**, **Joshua Project**, **Operation World**, or **Stratus Earth**, etc).
56. Ask if your Sunday school class or small group could spend some time on the biblical basis of missions and status of the world.
57. Discuss what you are learning about the world with your friends and family.
58. Use the **World Vision Illustration** (travelingteam.org) to teach others about God's Word, World, and Work using a single sheet of paper!
59. Take friends out to eat at ethnic restaurants and befriend the staff.
60. Serve on a committee or a mission team that advocates/prays/strategizes for an unreached people area. For more information about how to join Bethel's mission team at your campus, email livesent365@gmail.com.

Take a look at these five habits and ask these questions:

»» What habits can I major in while in this season of life and which should I minor in?

»» What habits are my strongest? Which are my weakest?

»» What are some practical applications I can make regarding each habit to build them into my life?

Just like a wheel must be well rounded to work effectively, so the World Christian must carefully watch to see how well-rounded he or she is. If the Church is to truly reach the world, it will take the enlisting of all believers to be engaged in **going, praying, welcoming, sending, and mobilizing**.

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