

MISSIONS MISUNDERSTOOD

What my home church believed about missionaries.

1. They would _____ in the rest of their lives in the foreign country to which they were called for service.
 2. They would _____ to the U. S. only once every 5 years for a year of furlough, then return to their mission ministry.
 3. They traveled in the _____ expensive mode possible, usually passage on a cargo ship bound for the country where they serve or at least as close to it as they could get.
 4. They were totally reliant on _____ of friends and churches, they lived at or near poverty levels, but, hey, that was just part of living with what they chose to do.
 5. They were expected to instill American and Western European _____ and ways of doing things in the lives of the natives in addition to evangelizing.
- I. Missions and _____
- A. Evangelize all you want but _____ of our church.
 - B. African blacks are ok. _____ are not.
 - C. Those people have to have _____.
 - D. The issue of _____
- II. A _____ of missions approach
- A. _____ your Western culture behind and immerse yourselves in the culture to which you are going.
 - B. Other _____
 1. _____ skilled workers

2. _____ mission experiences
 - a. The American Christians were _____
 - b. The American teams _____
for the resident missionaries
 - c. Many agencies now _____ short term
opportunities

III. What is _____ really?

- A. Historical intent was _____
- B. Today there are _____
 1. _____
 2. _____ missionaries

Country	Overall	Male	Female
	Expect	Expect	Expect
Japan	82.7	78.5	85.6
United States	78.2	76.8	79.7
Kenya	57.8	57.4	58.2
Laos	56.6	54.6	58.9
Democratic Republic of Congo	54.3	52.5	56.2
Uganda	52.7	51.6	53.8
Zambia	38.6	38.5	38.7
Angola	38.2	37.2	39.2
Swaziland	31.8	31.6	32.1

This chart shows the number of deaths of infants less than one year old per 1,000 infants born in the country.

Country	Infant Mortality Rate
Singapore	1.9
Iceland	2.1
Japan	2.6
United States	6.9
Mozambique	99.1
Guinea	104.1
Malawi	107.4
Burundi	107.1
Nigeria	107.2
Niger	112.7
Somalia	110.6
Chad	133.3
Afghanistan	143.7

3. _____ missionaries
 - a. _____
 - b. _____ instruction for local pastors
 - c. teaching _____
4. Bible _____
5. _____ advocates
6. _____ & tech savvy professionals

IV. Some reflections

- A. There are _____ opportunities in the U. S.
- B. We are not called to _____ American culture and political values.
- C. There are _____ to do mission work biblically.
- D. We need to see missions as more than _____.