

1. Estimated Non-Christians per Missionary

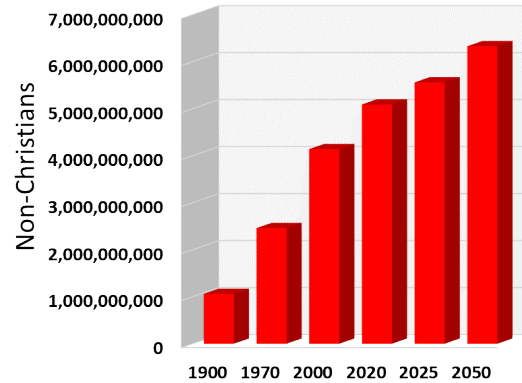
	Unreached Block	Non-Christians per Missionary
T	Tribal / Other	15,000
H	Hindu	175,000
U	Unreligious	80,000
M	Muslim	300,000
B	Buddhist	170,000



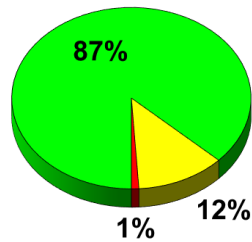
Muslim unreached people groups are most in need of missionaries.

Mission Trends and Facts

2. Number of non-believers is growing



While Evangelicals are growing faster than the general population, the absolute number of non-believers continues to increase. There are more people alive today that do not know Christ than at any other time in history.



3. Shift of Christianity to Global South

Year	% Evangelicals in Europe and North America	% Evangelicals in Global South
1800	99%	1%
1900	90%	10%
1979	50%	50%
2020	22%	78%

The "center" of Christianity has moved out of Europe and North America and now rests in Asia, Africa and Latin America.



4. Foreign Missions Resource Allocation

Category	% of Foreign Missions Giving
Giving to Foreign Missions for work among already Christian groups	87%
Giving to Foreign Missions for work among people that live within reach of the Gospel but haven't responded	12%
Giving to Foreign Missions for work among unreached people groups.	1%

5. The Challenge of the Unreached



87% of the world's Hindu, Muslims, and Buddhists have limited, if any, contact with a Christian.

Pray for Poland

Mark and Naomi Hale currently live in Poland and work with International Messengers. They are supported by Hope and seek to come alongside the local Church to assist them in evangelism and discipleship. International Messengers is in 28 countries. To be on staff with IM is to assimilate into a local Church, the neighborhood and the city in order to build relationships. Within those relationships are opportunities for discipleship and evangelism.

From the IM website:

We believe that the spiritual revival of the Church is a primary key to effectively reaching this world with the love of Christ.

We see ourselves as partners with the local Church to equip and send people into the world with the truth of Jesus Christ.

From Mark Hale:

The nation of Poland was founded in 966

Religion: Roman Catholic – “If you’re not Catholic, you’re not Polish.”

Language: Polish

Population: 40 million

People Groups: 32

Mark and Naomi Hale have been serving in Poland since 1993 as missionaries, serving alongside a Polish Pastor. They presently live and minister in Piotrkow Trybunalski (Tryb.) This city is 400 years old and has a population of 80,000. ***Their Church is the one evangelical Church in this city.***

Openness to the Gospel:

Protestants are often viewed by Catholics as being part of a sect.

The Protestant Evangelical Population of Poland is about 0.03%.

There is a lot of Biblical illiteracy amongst the Poles.

Growth of Christianity:

Christianity is growing slowly via friendship evangelism and amongst those who are disillusioned by the Catholic Church.

From Operation World:

The Catholic Church was long the guardian of Polish culture and nationalism in the face of Russian imperialism and Soviet communism. It performed this role admirably, to the point where it is difficult to separate Catholic identity from Polish statehood.

- 90% of municipalities have no evangelical Church
- There are more evangelicals in Saudi Arabia than in Poland
- Pray that people would overcome their spiritual apathy and respond to the gospel
- Pray that nominal Catholics would see their need for Jesus
- Pray for a Holy Spirit breakthrough among the youth who are captivated by secular materialism
- Pray for your brothers and sisters in Christ in the great nation of Poland!

You can request the **Hale Prayer Update** at: mnhale@internationalmessengers.org