ACTS 1:8 CHALLENGE

Missions Strategy for Empowering Kingdom Growth

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PASTOR'S NAME _____ E-MAIL _____

MISSION LEADER'S NAME _____ E-MAIL _____

ASSOCIATION _____ STATE CONVENTION _____

As a church we declare with our association, state convention, North American Mission Board, and International Mission Board that we will be intentionally engaged in the Great Commission, awakening Christians to God's calling to join Him on mission, and helping take the gospel to all people groups. We therefore accept the *ACTS 1:8 CHALLENGE*, and commit ourselves to a comprehensive missions involvement in our community (our Jerusalem), state (our Judea), continent (our Samaria), and world (our ends of the earth).

The following eight Kingdom-Growing Responses to the *Acts 1:8 Challenge* should not be seen as a "checklist," but as areas of missions involvement in which a church grows under the leadership and power of the Holy Spirit:

- Prepare—empowering a designated leader of missions and developing mission teams, strategies, and plans to take the gospel to our community, state, continent, and world.
- Learn—bringing mission awareness and interaction to the entire church body, training members for service, and connecting them to missionaries and mission needs.
- Pray—asking God for kingdom perspective and worldwide vision, interceding for Christian workers and unevangelized peoples.
- Give—increasing the financial support of the Cooperative Program and other SBC cooperative missions.
- Go—enabling a growing number of members to directly participate in short-term, long-term, and marketplace opportunities to minister and spread the gospel beyond our church's walls.
- Tell—involving an increasing number of members in intentional, culturally relevant evangelism.
- Send—providing members with opportunities to hear and respond to God's call to vocational mission service.
- Multiply—participating in church planting, and facilitating church planting movements.

As a pastor, I have agreed to lead our church toward involvement in these responses, as the Holy Spirit leads and empowers. We will celebrate God at work, as He spreads His glory among all peoples. Our passion is to be obedient to ACTS 1:8—the last earthly words of Jesus!

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Pastor's Signature (or online checkbox) Date

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