A CRITICAL REALITY IN GLOBAL MISSION TODAY

ORALITY

5.7 BILLION
people in the world are oral preference learners

oral communicators depend on aural, or oral-visual, means to receive, process, remember, and pass on information

70% - 80% of the world does not depend on textual transmission

MORE THAN HALF ARE AMONG THE UNREACHED

1,961 predominantly oral unengaged unreached people groups do not have a single verse of Scripture in their heart language

CALLS TO ACTION

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Make available an oral format Story Bible in the heart languages of unreached and unengaged people groups as a matter of priority

Encourage mission agencies to develop oral strategies

Make greater use of oral methodologies in discipling programmes

Encourage seminaries to provide curricula that will train pastors and missionaries in oral methodologies

Encourage local churches in the Global South to engage with unreached people groups in their area through oral methods that are specific to their worldview

The majority of the world’s population are oral communicators, who cannot or do not learn through literate means, and more than half of them are among the unreached. The Cape Town Commitment II-D-2

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