



RE-THINKING OUR MISSION AMIDST Covid-19

Our world has changed forever..

***But This pandemic need not stop
outreach and evangelism altogether.***

JASON MANDRICK Impact and Implication of the
Covid-19 pandemic Global Transmission, Global
Mission

“The world has changed greatly” since the first Congress of the World Evangelization 1974, Graham told the Cape Town (2010) attendees via fax.

“But in all your deliberations, I pray you may never forget that **some things have not changed in the last 36 years—nor will they ever change until our Lord returns.**”

Those are “the deepest needs of the human heart,” the gospel, and Jesus’ command to “go into all the world and proclaim the gospel,” he stated.

By Billy Graham

INTRO- NI IKI CYAHINDUTSE ????



1. Imibanire yacu n'Imana yavuye muri rusange ihinduka iy'umuntu ku giti cye

- Igipimo cy'umukristo mwiza cyavuye ku kuboneka ku rusengerero
- Ikibazo ni ikihe gipimo twapimisha?

2. Kugira umusaruro ntibigenwa gusa no kuba uri hanze y'iwawe

By Rev. Dr Antoine Rutayisire

- - Busyness is not productivity
- - Movement/ Agitation is not about impact
- - Activity is not about Activism
- - Being quiet doesn't mean you are inactive

3. Igabanuka ryo gutekereza kubataragerwaho n'ubutumwa bwiza (Cross-cultural Missions)

By Jason:

- Having guest speakers in our virtual services sharing about global mission is a very unlikely scenario during the CoVid-19 pandemic.
- Who is going to be thinking of the more theoretical needs of people and communities on the other side of the world, when people are suffering and dying right on our doorstep?
- Our world is shrinking (and not in a good way) as a result of coronavirus. For so many of us, our physical world has been reduced to the four walls keeping us quarantined; foreign travel is a fading memory
- Giving to mission is tied to economic prosperity.

4. Umuryango-Iwawe (HOME) hongeye kuba ishingiro ry'ibikorwa bya muntu

Home Based Life Style

- Home Schooling
- Businesses Home delivery
- Guma mu rugo
- Home Based Evangelism
- Home Based Care
- Church @ Home

Why Home Based Evangelism?

Home Based Evangelism is not new

- Home Based Ministry as a model of ministry, church, evangelism and discipleship in the Bible, new testament
- Stratified Evangelism reaching all the level of society during the week of evangelism, Homes are part of those strata
- Door to Door which is house to house Evangelism
- BGEA Model known as My Hope Project
- Every home for Christ

RETHINKING EVANGELISM STRATEGY

Effective evangelism is built on relationships

(John 1:42; Matthew 9:9-13).

Home Based Evangelism is not

- Televangelism,
- Radio evangelism,
- Crusade or mass evangelism

But

Personal evangelism on a massive scale through homes.

What is HBE?

Home-Based Evangelism (HBE)

is an evangelistic model developed by African Enterprise to encourage and train believers to witness and disciple the people living with them in their homes as well as their neighbours where possible.



HBE KEY SCRIPTURES

2 Timothy 4:2

- "...Preach the word of God. Be prepared, whether the time is favourable or not..."

Ecclesiastes 11:4

- "...He who observes the wind will not sow, and he who regards the clouds will not reap..."

KEY PILLARS OF HBE MODEL

- **Identify and Train HBE facilitators** for every home to be reached.
- **Mapping, Selecting and Engaging** Homes to host HBE
- **Prepare in advance evangelistic message** and **discipleship tools** to be used in homes and avail them to HBE facilitators
- **Connecting** with local churches
- **Follow the 6 steps of HBE process** (slide 9-12)

By Jason

Is it the end of the megachurch?

- There will always be large churches in most countries – and some of them will go from strength to strength while making positive community impact.
- But the demographics of Christianity – and more specifically, the demographics of post-Christendom – seem to point toward a rapid decline of the consumer-driven church.
- Megachurches without robust cell groups already built into their ecclesiological model may struggle greatly to recover from CoVid-19, from a congregational loyalty point of view.

HBE PROCESS IN 6 STEPS



1. PRAY



2. PREPARE



3. ENGAGE/ONLINE



4. BROADCAST



5. REACH HOMES



6. EVANGELISE & DISCIPLE

Adapting HBE into Other Social Strata like offices, business premises etc.

In this case, the workplace relationships and facilities replace the home and neighbourhood where the HBE outreach is hosted and conducted. All steps remain as suggested



- **The HBE model** involves provision of a recorded or live evangelistic message through available media channels in the community:



- **The HBE model** encourages every believers to witness to the people living with them in the same home and, where possible, invite their neighbours to share the gospel through their personal testimony.

HBE Process



STEP 1: PRAY

- Organize your regular time of prayer,
- Build an HBE Prayer Team,
- Produce a Prayer Bulletin for the HBE Outreach,
- Organize a 24/7 prayer chain.



STEP 2: PREPARE

- Map the HBE Mission Field,
- Identify all the media platforms available in the community,
- Develop HBE Outreach write-up and time,
- Engage different partners and senior church leaders.



STEP 3: ENGAGE/ONLINE

- Envision partner-churches on HBE,
- Form HBE Committees,
- Select and equip HBE Home Facilitators,
- Identify and equip homes to host HBE Outreach,
- Mobilize social support for the needy
- Train beneficiaries on Sanitation and Covid-19
- Share HBE promotion clips, flyers.

STEP 4: BROADCAST

- Prepare and record evangelistic messages for HBE Outreach day (check HBE suggested messages I & II)
- Share the recorded message with HBE Home Facilitators,
- Schedule live TV or radio broadcast,
- Have initial Outreach with a small number before broader rollout
- Broadcast the message during the HBE Outreach day.



STEP 5: REACH HOMES

- Prepare homes to host HBE Outreach,
- Conduct the HBE Day Program (use slide 10),
- Have fellowship with your invitees,
- Keep connecting with your local church,
- Respond to the social needs identified in homes mostly affected by Covid-19, or any other contemporary issues.



STEP 6: EVANGELISE and DISCIPLE

- Share an evangelistic message during the HBE Outreach (check HBE suggested messages I & II),
- Make an invitation to belief in Jesus Christ,
- Fill the decision cards and share information on referral system,
- Start discipling the new converts and share follow-up materials,
- Serve the needy homes through social action
- Connect new converts to a local church.



HBE Outreach Program

1. Prayer and set-up of the venue
2. Welcome invitees (10 minutes)
3. Introducing the purpose of gathering (5 minutes)
4. Hearing recorded or live evangelistic message (15 minutes)
5. Sharing personal testimony (10 minutes)
6. Giving invitation, response and feedback (10 minutes)
7. Open Fellowship (10 minutes)
8. Prayer and closing of the outreach (5 minutes)
9. HBE home facilitator share reports

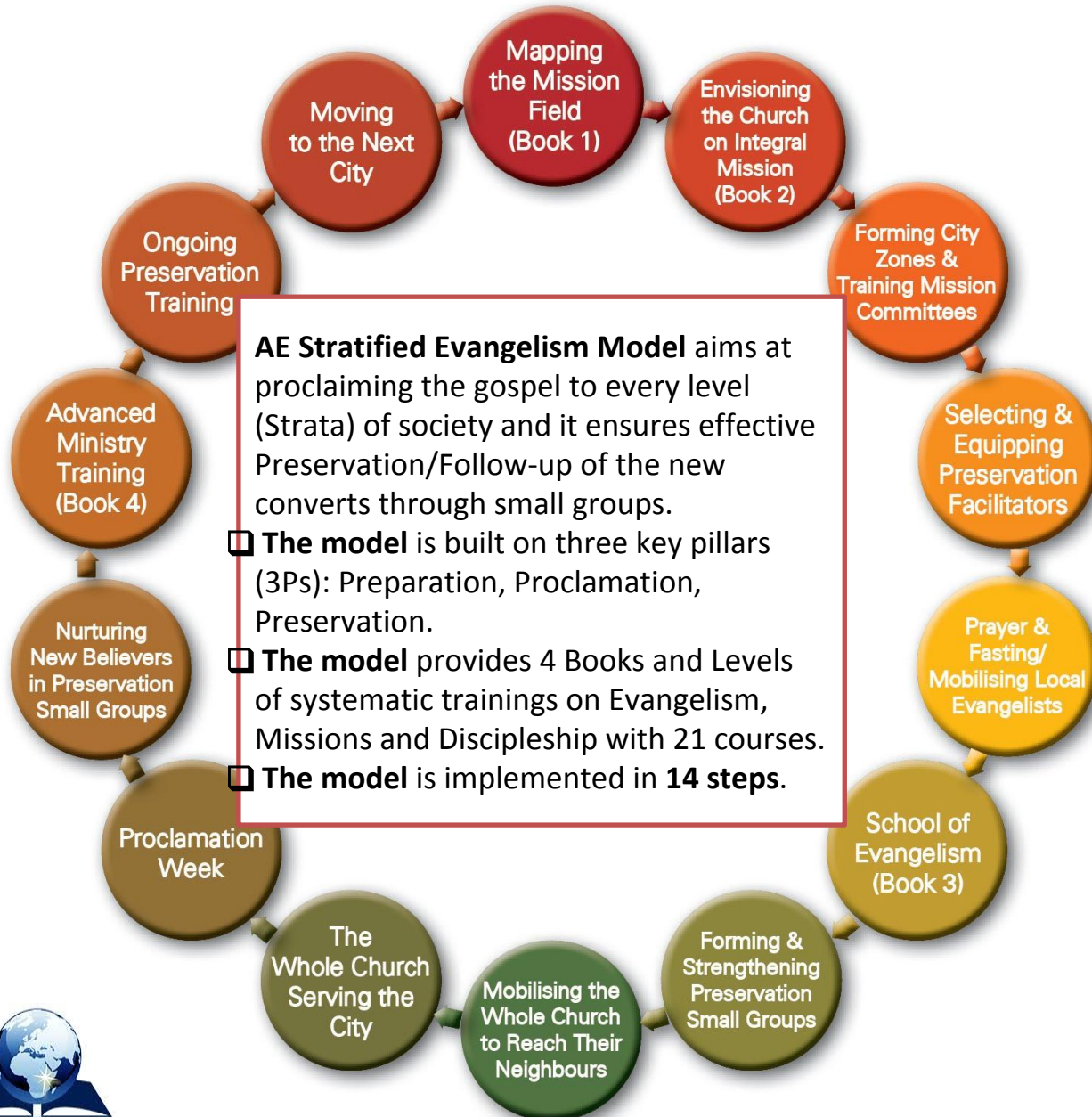
Personal Testimony

- During the HBE Outreach Day, believers share their testimonies following Apostle Paul's example:

His story of his encounter with Jesus followed this pattern:

- This is who I was before Christ.
- This was the turning point.
- This is who I am after Christ or the difference that Christ has made in my life.

HBE is the 8th step of 14-step approach of Stratified Evangelism



HBE resources

- For more information, please read the following resources:
 1. The HBE Training Manual (Word document developed by AEI Missions Department)
 2. HBE message I “The Greatest Invitation”
 3. HBE message II “ Who is Jesus to you?”
 4. AE Social Action response to Covid-19
 5. AE Missions Manuals/Powerpoints (Book 1,2,3,4)
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