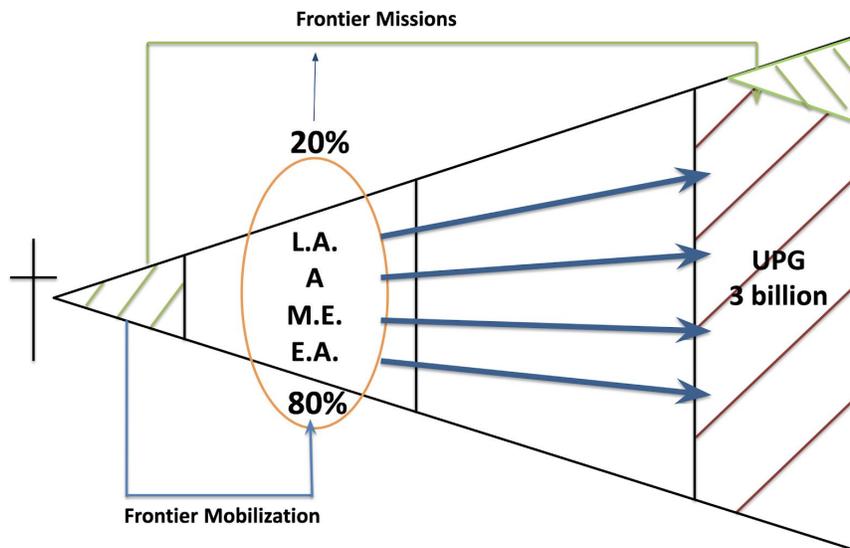


Sharing THE GAP

Why You Would Share THE GAP

80% of the Global Church resides in Asia, Africa, and Latin America, and yet 80% of the world's missionaries are being sent from the Western World. It is time for us to adjust the way we see mission sending. **THE GAP Illustration** clearly explains why and how we can adjust our mindset about mission sending. We believe that adjusting our strategy to reflect the current realities of the global Church is one of the best ways to see the whole World become reached.

Example of THE GAP Completed



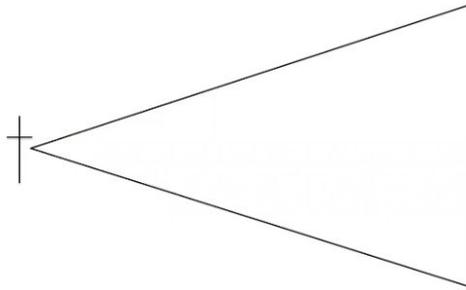
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How to Share THE GAP From Beginning to End

1. Transition One

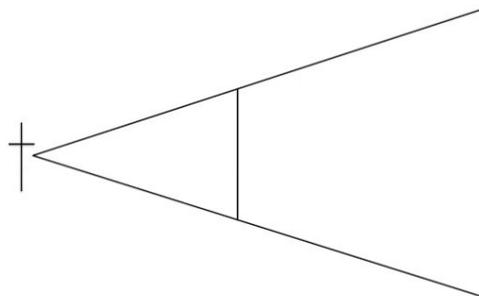
- **Action:** Draw THE GAP triangle (as shown below)



- Try to imagine that the population of the entire world fits into this triangle. Inside is a scale that represents two different types of people.
 - On the narrow end are those who have access to the Gospel.
 - On the wide end are those furthest access to the Gospel.

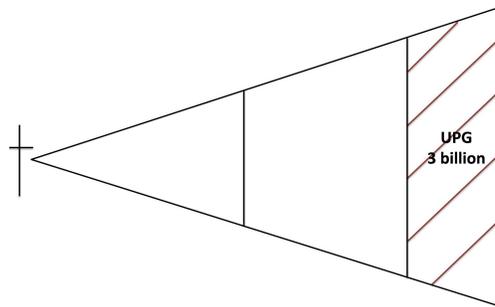
2. Transition Two

- If we could survey everyone in the world, roughly 30% would say they are Christians.
- **Action:** On the narrow side draw a line in the triangle creating a third. That third represents a third of the world claiming to be Christian.



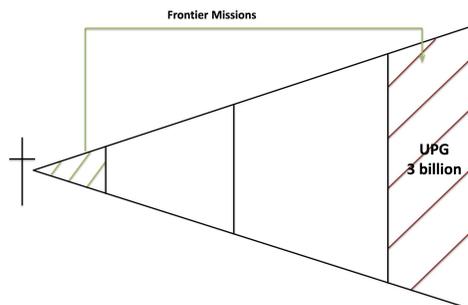
4. Transition Three

- Now let's focus on the wide end of the spectrum, this end shows the people in the world that have the least access to the gospel, we label these people as Unreached People Groups or UPGs.
 - This third is roughly 3 billion people that have no access to the gospel.
- **Action:** Draw a line on the wider end creating the other two thirds. On the last third write UPGs, and 3 billion.
- Explain that these people live in the 10/40 window, in places like North Africa, the Middle East, and East Asia.

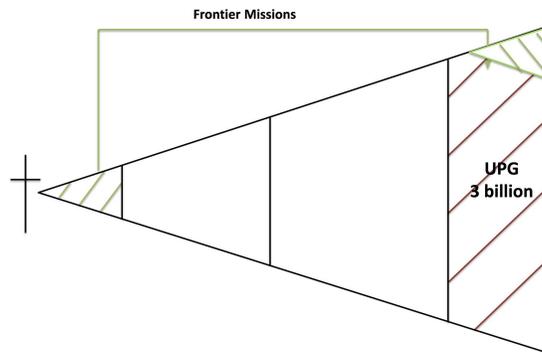


5. Transition Four

- This issue is this, God loves these people and desires them to know Jesus and experience His love. God has moved people in the church to say that is a problem worth doing something about. We need to go and bring the gospel to these nations and people.
- **Action:** On the narrow end of the triangle, before the first line, draw another line creating a third between the first line and the narrow point. From that small section draw an arrow going upward then over to the UPG group. Label that line Frontier Missions.



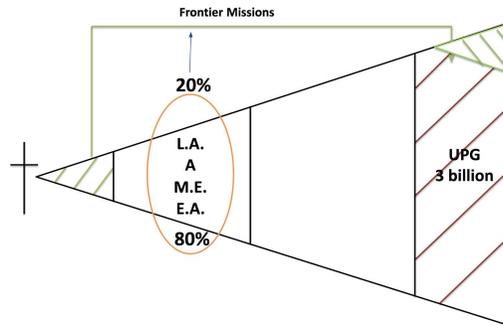
- Explain that God has been and continues to use these people to change the world. This is such an amazing thing, but sadly there is still a problem with this; it's such a small number of people trying to reach the unreached population.
- **Action:** In the top right corner of the UPG section draw a line creating a small triangle in the right corner representing the amount of missionaries in this part of the world.



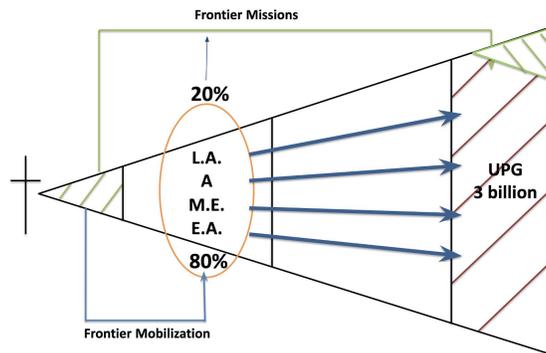
- We want to ask: Where do these Frontier Missionaries come from?
 - When we say Frontier Missionary, we mean someone that goes **cross-culturally to the unreached**. Historically the Western world has been the #1 mission-sending region.

6. Transition Five

- The next question is: Where do the majority of Christians live in the world? It's not the West, it's places like Latin America (L.A.), Africa (A), Middle East (M.E.), and East Asia (E.A.) are where 80% of the Global Church lives.
- **Action:** In the second box from the left write the initials of all of these regions (L.A, A, M.E, E.A.), draw an oval around those words, and then write 80% (the amount of Christians that come from this area) on the bottom of the oval and 20% (the amount of frontier missionaries they send compared to the global church) at the bottom of the oval and draw a small arrow up to Frontier Missions.



- For the sake of the unreached, what if we went, not only to the unreached, but to these four regions of the world. We could put our efforts into mobilizing the Church there so that they will go as missionaries to the Unreached.
- **Action:** Draw an arrow from the green mission-minded Christians to the oval where so many Christians live, but aren't doing much about missions. Then draw 3 or 4 big arrows from the oval to the UPG's indicating we want to see more missionaries raised up from these areas.



- What is strategic about these regions?
 - Power in numbers (lots of believers in these regions), power in distance proximity (close access to the unreached), power in cultural proximity (cultures share similarities), close to God's heart (God wants to see everyone reached, and He desires to see the Global Church's hearts aligned with His.)

Conclusion: Let's keep sending missionaries from the west, but we must also engage the unsent if we want to see the world reached for Christ. After all, it's going to take ALL of God's people to reach ALL of God's world.