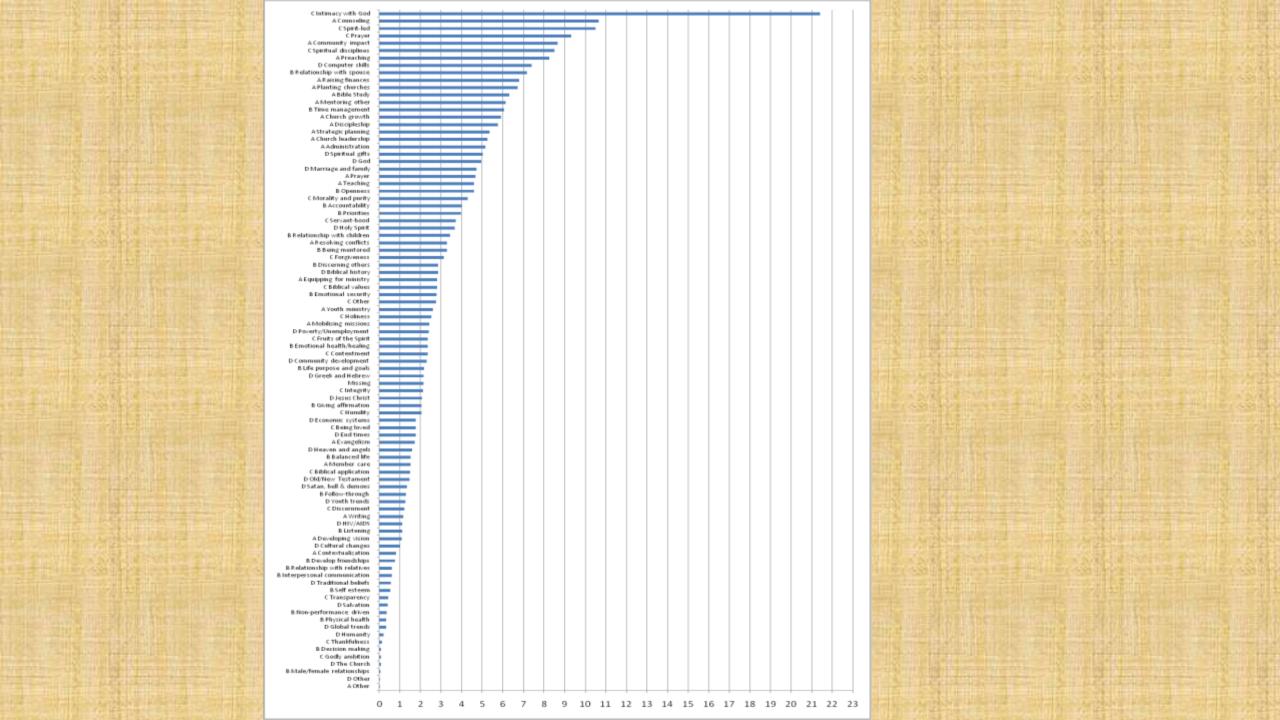
"Research that guides Kingdom impact"

# "AN EVANGELICAL CHURCH FOR EVERY PEOPLE"

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### MANI SA 08 HANDBOOK DOWNLOAD

http://maniafrica.com/mani/wp-content/uploads/2015/07/MANI\_SA\_08\_Handbook\_vers2.pdf

 Nehemiah 1:4 <sup>4</sup> When I heard these things, I sat down and wept. For some days I mourned and fasted and prayed before the God of heaven.

• Revelation 21:2 "I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband."

#### WHAT HAS CHANGED?

- Andrew Murray, 1901, The key to the Missionary problem
- Ross Campbell, 1996, Lausanne Researchers Conference in UK.
   NATIONAL STRATEGY DEVELOPMENT: DENOMINATIONAL CHURCH GROWTH REALITIES
  - "Denominations can play a powerful role in the completion of the Great Commission. They have the muscle, the machinery and the money to make things happen. If they didn't exist, we might have to invent them." (Jim Montgomery DAWN report)
  - Denominations as a general rule do not know where they are in relation to the unfinished task. The majority, particularly the older denominations, are content with 'business as usual' or modest gains. Maintenance of the organization rather than kingdom advance is the focus of attention. Consequently little is expected of members.





"Praying & Discerning"

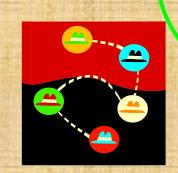
### STRATEGISING

"Evaluating & Strategizing"

### Data

"Searching & Sorting"





"But my concern when it comes to mission's research is that it isn't an end in itself but rather part of effective catalytic process. A process, through which churches, mission agencies and Christian leaders become involved, informed, challenged and effectively engaged reaching the unreached" Ross Campbell

# **DEFINITIONS FOR:** ·SUCCESS ·CHANGE •Preaching in SA, Africa?

# Vision of an African National Initiative



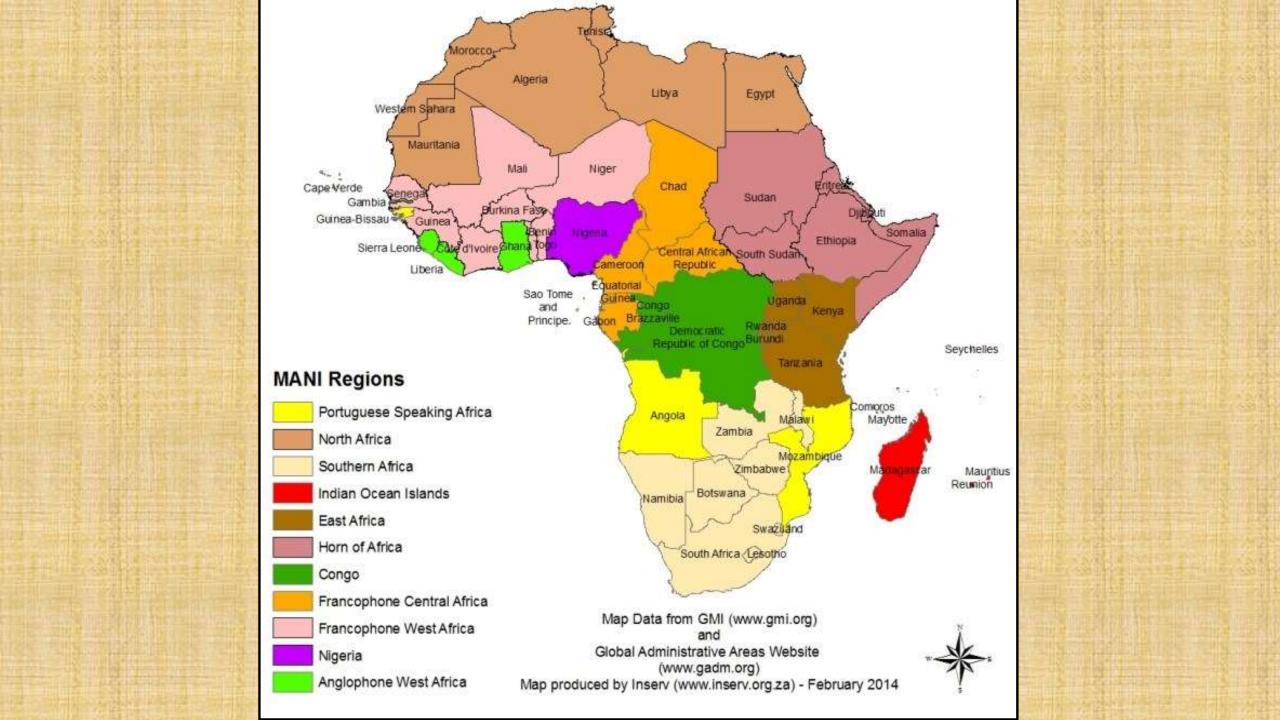


"... the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord as the waters cover the sea."

- Habakkuk 2:14

#### What is an African National Initiative?

- An undertaking by the National Church (the churches and ministries in a nation, working together) to carry out the Great Commission "to make disciples of all nations (peoples)".
- A **process which unites** all churches and ministries in a nation to evangelize the nation itself and engage in missionary outreach to least evangelized peoples beyond its borders.
- In this process the churches and ministries develop a shared vision and work together to complete the task.



## **African National Initiatives**







ROCKET







**Body Mobilised and Deployed** 

**Accessible Gatherings of Believers** In your local country, Region, Africa and the world

PCP (Strategic Start)

(Transformation)

Missions - National, Regional & Global

#### **Mobilisation**

Common Goals

Common **Information** 

**Commitment** to Partner

Leaders

**Assessment** 

Research

**Committee** Goals

**Consultations Ownership** 

Cooperation

Prayer





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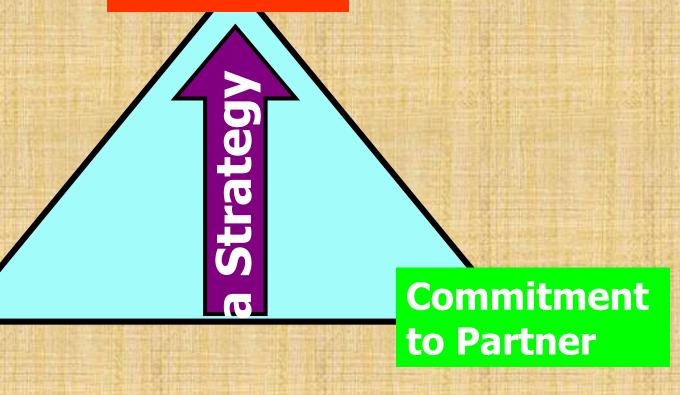
## Kingdom Collaboration: A STRATEGIC Process

**Common Goals** 

Future Reality / "Position"

**Common Information** 

Current Reality / "Position"



## Examples

- Kenya –
- Zimbabwe -
- · Namibia -
- Nigeria-
- Ghana-

"Never Again!" (FTT)

10 000 new churches (Target 2000)

Disciple Namibia

New Life for All movement

Ghana Evangelism Commitee

#### **GHANA CASE STUDY**

- When GEC (Ghana Evangelism Committee) spoke of the need for church growth many leaders would point to their overflowing churches and indicate there was no room for more.
- When GEC spoke of the need for church planting, pastors would say that we had enough churches already.
- When GEC spoke of the need for missions, leaders would often say the day of missions was past and that Ghana was now a Christian country.

## GEC response

- To counter this complacency the GEC conducted a countrywide survey in 19986-88. This survey shattered denominational complacency by highlighting the extent of the *unfinished task*.
- Through a survey of **every local congregation** and **every community of population**, the Ghana Evangelism Committee was able to present a clear picture of the *unfinished task* in Ghana (23 000 towns)

#### NATIONAL CHURCH SURVEY PROCESS

#### PLANNING

#### FIELD WORK

#### PRESENTATION

FOLLOW-THRU

(Authorization)



National Summary (National Survey)



National (Consultation)



Denominational (Exec. Boards)



(Authorization)



Region Summary (Regional Survey)



(Consultations)



Denominational (Synods etc)



District Leaders (Implementation)



(Dist, Survey)



District by District (Seminars)



District Pastors
(Seminars)



Local Pastors (Implementation)



Towns & Villages (Reality) Pastor to Pastor (Personal explanation)



Local Churches (Implementation)

#### In the process:

- Vision is imparted for the unfinished task.
- Understanding of the task developed.
- Ownership & Credibility is established.
- Authority Structures are recognized and utilized.
- Application is built into denominational structures with the resources to implement.
- Partnership is developed.
- Denominational data bases created for on going data collection.







#### **Attendance**

- Only 11% of the population attended church regularly

   although 61% claimed to be adherents of a church.
   This meant that in most denominations about 50% of their adherents were not attending church.
- Attendance varied from region to region 15% to less than 3%.

#### **Unchurched Communities**

- Nationally more than 70% of towns and villages were identified as having no protestant church.
- •14,711 identified as having no church.

#### Unreached peoples

- A "hidden mission field" of over 2 million migrants in the south of the country.
- In the north over 40 tribal groups without a viable church in their language and culture.
- Five million adherents of traditional religions or Islam were not being effective reached.

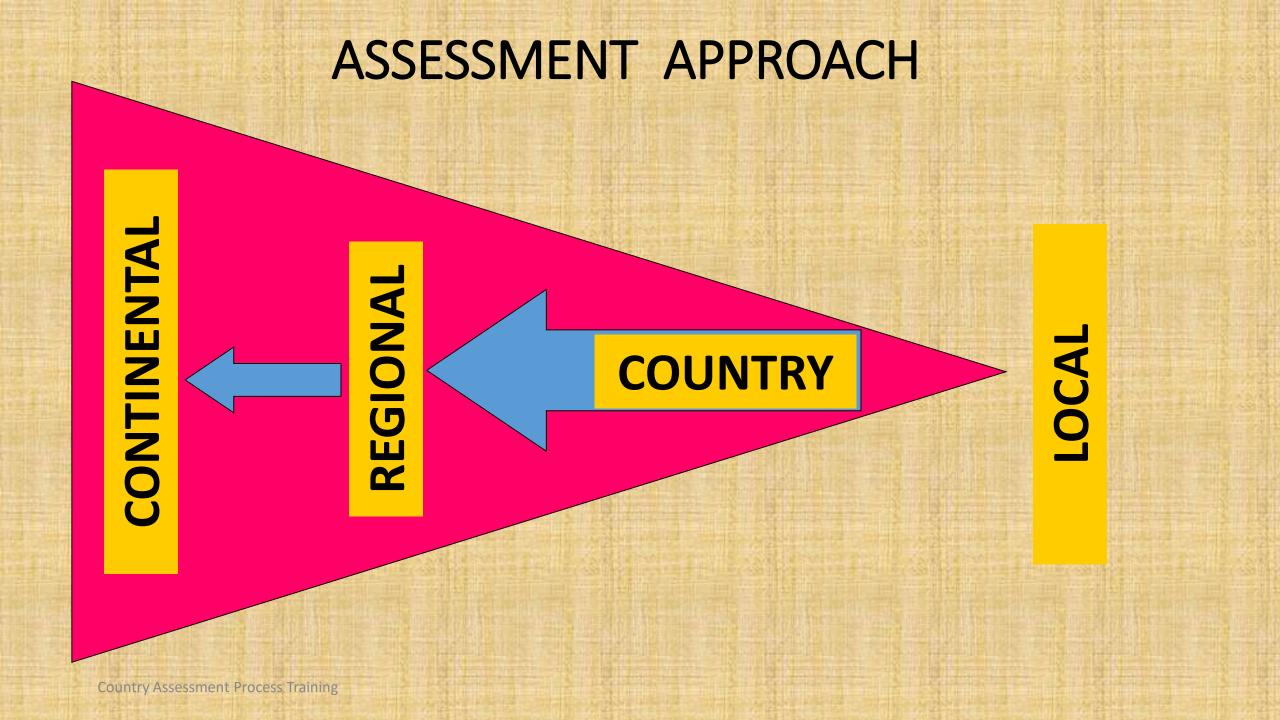
## The big picture: five primary challenges were identified for action

- Seven million nominal Christians.
- 15,000 unchurched towns and villages.
- Two million unreached in Southern Ghana.
- Three million unreached in Northern Ghana.
- Five million Muslims and traditional adherents nation-wide.

#### **Resulting impact**

- The restructuring of denominational districts and leadership.
- The appointment of denominational evangelism and missions directors.
- The setting up of evangelism committees, task forces and mission boards.
- New church planting movements within denominations.
- The formation and growth of indigenous missionary societies.
- · An urban missionary movement in the south to reach unreached migrant peoples.
- Targeting of specific unreached peoples in traditional homelands and across the country.
- More objective planning and goal setting for evangelism, church planting and missions.
- The development of "closure" thinking and planning.

# COUNTRY ASSESMENT PROCESS (CAP)



## DATA BASE





### Continent



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# DATABASE

(Ethne information system)

**Country Assessment Process Training** 

### NEED FOR CENTRAL DATA BASE

# HARVEST

(Context in which the Church operates)

#### HARVEST FORCE

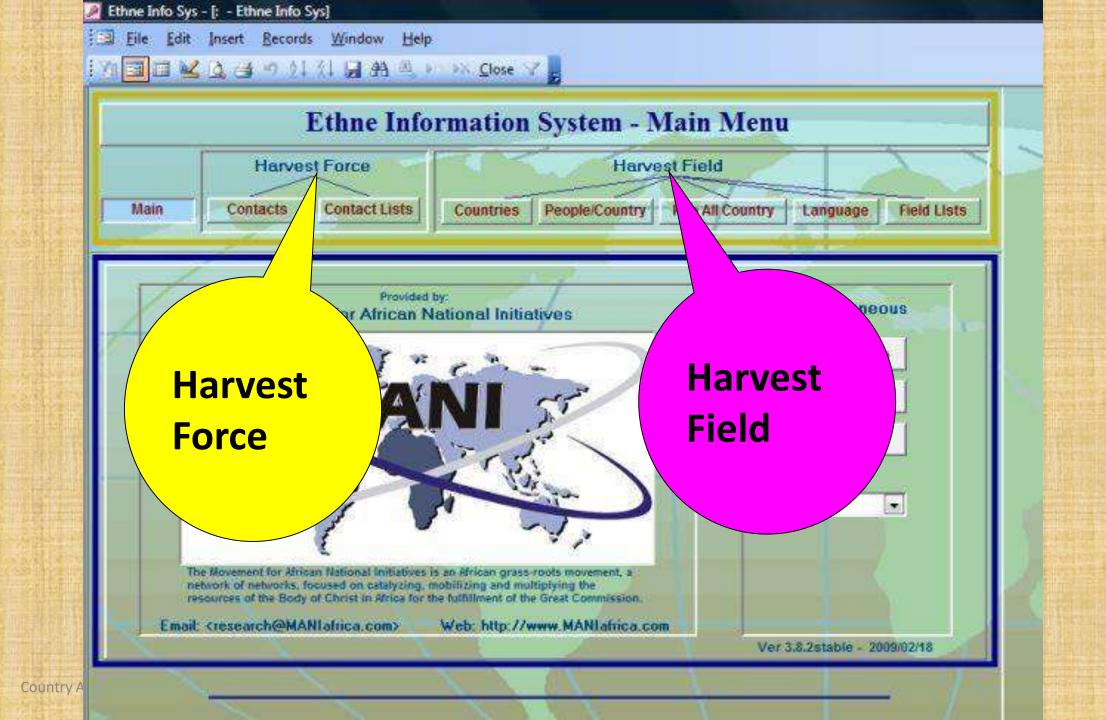
(Church)

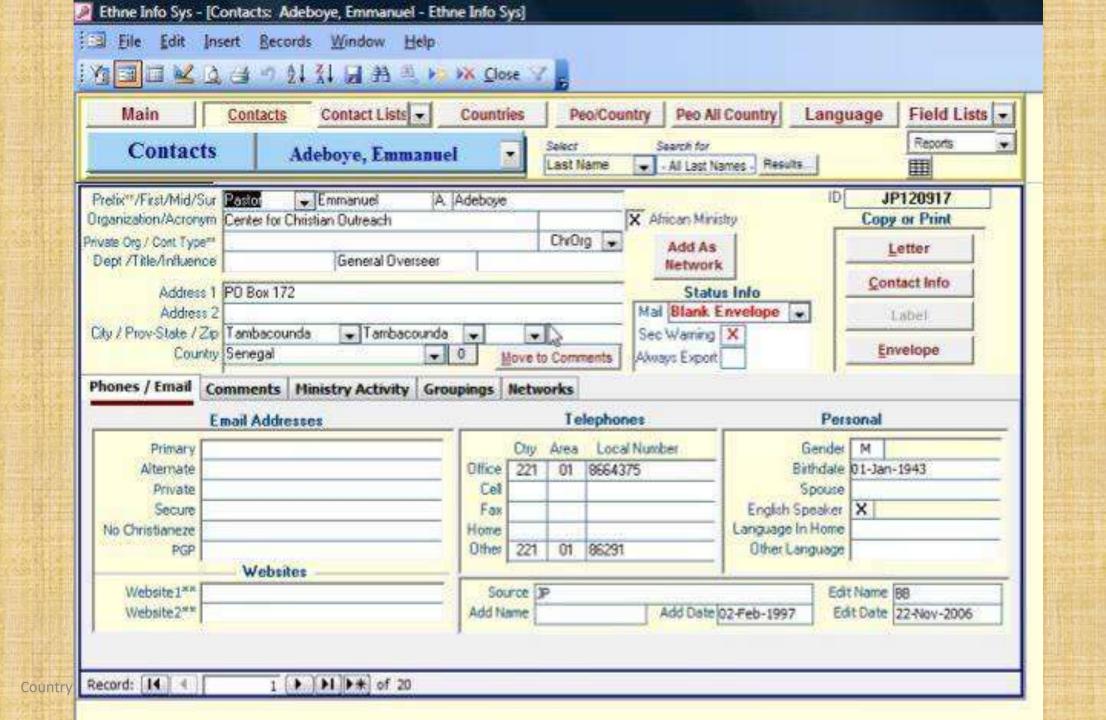


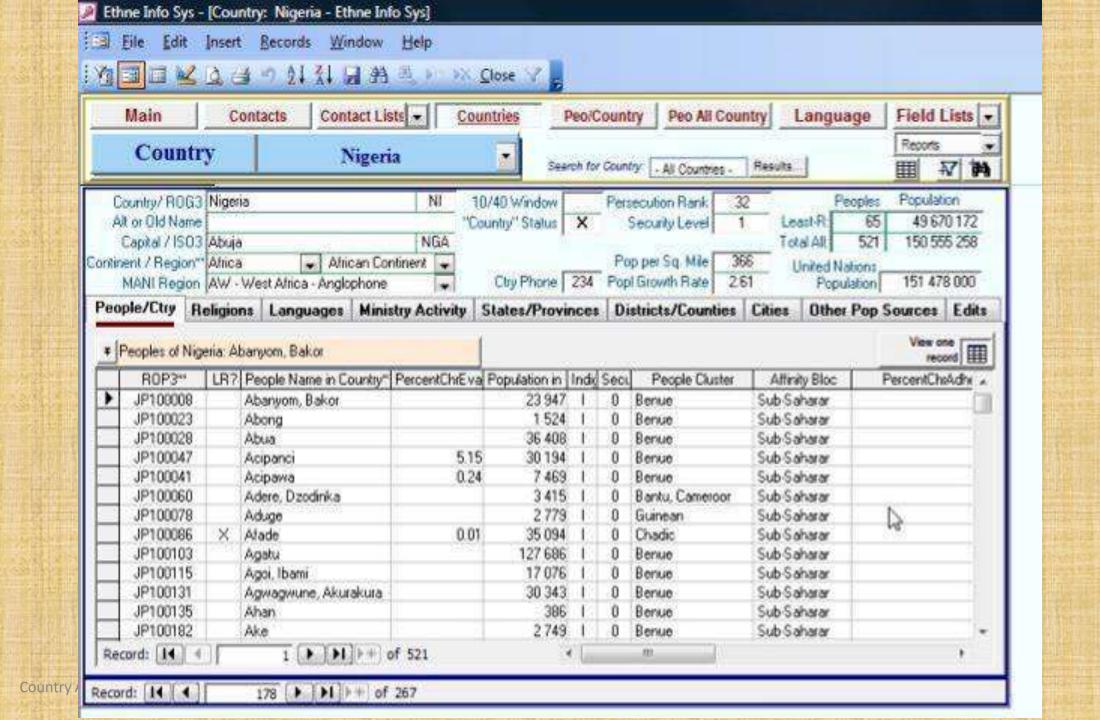
- Reports
- Networking
- Strategic planning
- Effective outreach
- Mobilisation

## PURPOSE

 The purpose of the Country Assessment Process (CAP) is to validate and update existing ethnolinguistic people group information, with a focus on the least-reached people groups. With the information, MANI hopes to encourage the African Church to initiate strategic ministries to the least-reached peoples in Africa.











## Sub Sahara CAP statistics

SUB Sahara COUNTRIES,

49 (50)

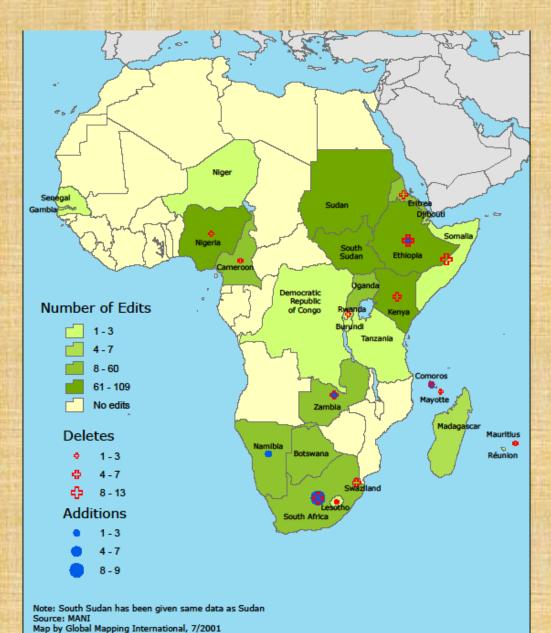
RESPONSES

34 Countries

69%

Data entered, 27
Countries

55%



Total people Groups on Continent

3768

Total people Groups Least reached

996 (26.4%)

### TOTAL EDITS DONE

People in Country edits

660

People groups deleted

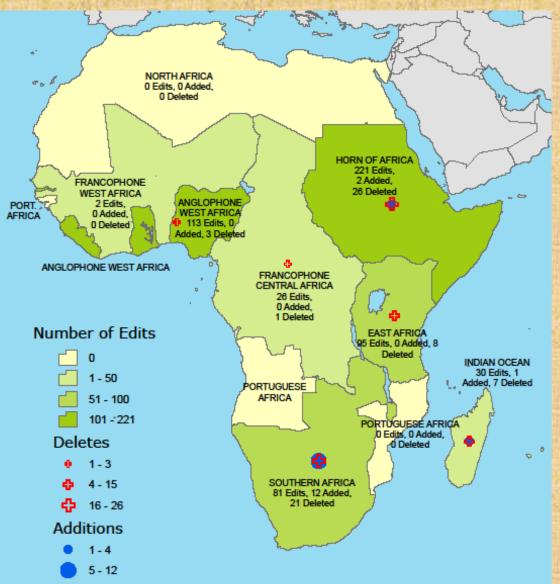
67

People groups added

13

Source: MANI

Man by Global Manning International, 7/2001.



Religions in Country edited

565

Religions in country added

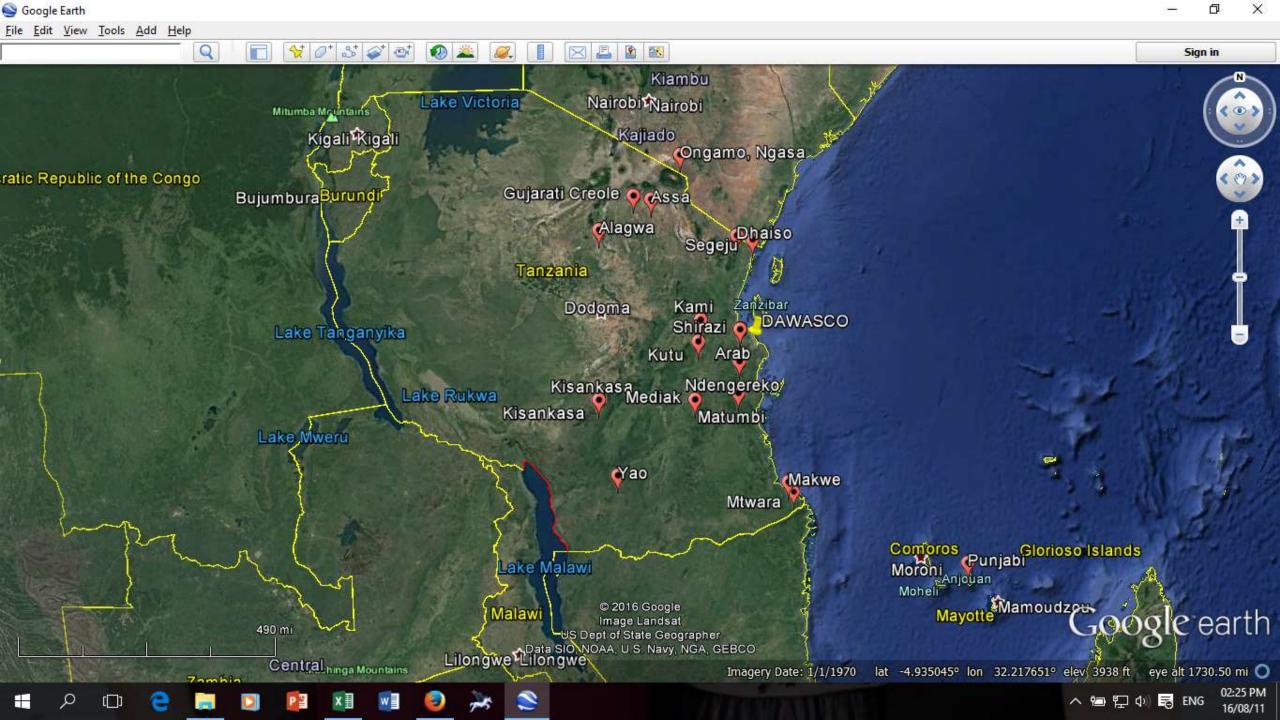
68

Religions deleted

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# **TANZANIA**





# The CAP in the context of the Horn, specifically Ethiopia

# CAP in Ethiopia

## Participation

Those who have participated in the editing process were Denomination leaders,
Outreach leaders of churches,
Church planters,
Linguists,

Expatriate missionaries
Demographers

#### Phase I

#### **Type of Editing**

- Added people groups
- Merged people groups
- Corrected names of people group
- Deleted people groups
- Cluster name change
- New Cluster name introduced
- Primary language edited

#### Edited

- 1
- 1
- 8
- 7
- 1
- 1
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## Time of Completion, Manpower and Budget

Completed in 1 year

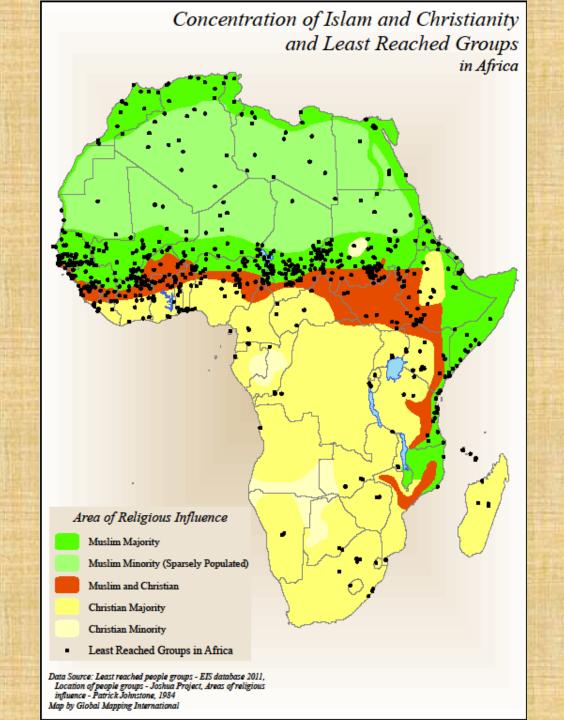
Manpower of 30 volunteers

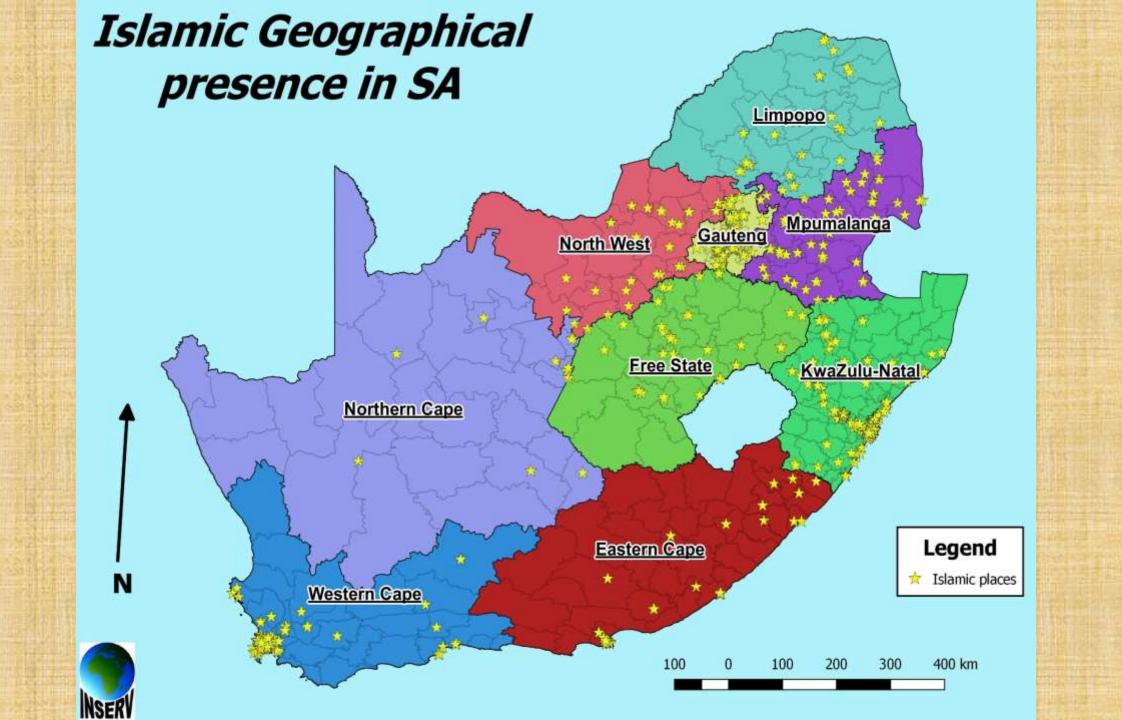
Budget of close to 300 USD

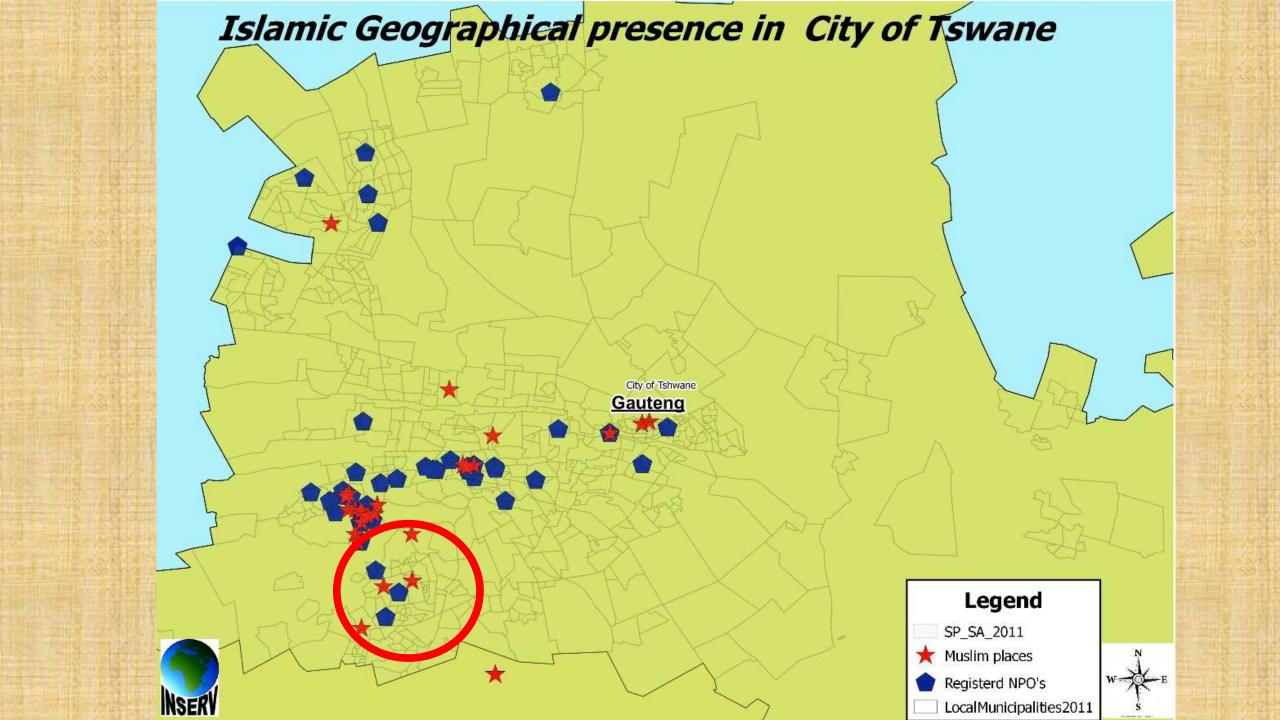
Countries 58

Number of people groups 3,705

People Groups unreached 987 (26.6%)







"ARISE AND SHINE FOR YOUR LIGHT HAS COME, AND THE GLORY OF THE LORD RISES UPON YOU" ISAIAH 60:1

" ... and behold, a great multitude, which no one could count, from every Nation and all Tribes and Peoples and Tongues, standing before the throne

and before the Lamb" Rev 7:9

