

FINISHING THE TASK

UUPG Trip Survey

I. INTRODUCTION: 3 REASONS FOR THE SURVEY

- A. To Provide Focus for Your Survey Trip
Remember your primary objective is to find partners who can recruit, train, and supervise near-culture national workers who will do the majority of the day-to-day ministry. (The last three pages of the form are the most important)
- B. To Orient Your Growing UUPG Team
It is likely that many different people will become involved in your effort. The information you collect here will be a valuable tool in briefing new workers you recruit.
- C. To Establish Good Communication
You will need to make sure you have all possible contact information on those you meet – especially prospective partners. In restricted countries, you will also need to ask them how much can be written in emails and how much can be said over the phone.

II. REMEMBER YOUR PRIMARY OBJECTIVES

- A. To Determine if This is the Group God Wants You to Try to Reach
- B. To Develop a Burden for the People Group
- C. To Find Trustworthy Churches, Organizations, & Missions Who will be Your Partners in Evangelism & Church Planting

III. BEFORE YOU TAKE THE TRIP

- A. Challenge the Right People to Go: Pastor, Missions Pastor, “Champion”, potential funders, men’s’ and women’s’ ministry leaders
- B. Learn All You Can About the People Group
Fill in as much of this survey as you can using the Christian World Encyclopedia, Joshua Project, etc.
- C. Learn All You Can About Possible Partners in the Country
- D. Meditate on Scripture Passages that Show God’s Heart for the World
e.g.; Matt 28:18-20, Mark 16:15, Luke 24:46-47, John 20:21, Acts 1:8, Psalms 2:8, Habakkuk 1:5, Habakkuk 2:14, Matt 24:14

IV. HOW DO YOU DEVELOP A BURDEN FOR THE GROUP?

- A. Understand Everything You can About Them
Put yourself in their place and imagine how you would face life if you were walking in their shoes. What challenges would you face politically, spiritually, physically, emotionally, and mentally?
- B. Complete the “Country” and “People Group” Profiles that Follow to Understand More About the Country in Which You are Pursuing Ministry

COUNTRY PROFILE

I. OVERVIEW:

- A. Country: _____
- B. Capital City: Latitude: _____ Longitude: _____
- C. Population: _____ Year Census Taken(If known): _____
- D. Average Annual Income: \$ _____
- E. % Urban: _____
- F. % Literate: _____
- G. Primary Religions (List the top 5)

	Name	% of country population
1.	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____

- H. Number of Unengaged Unreached People Groups over 100,000:

II. STATE OF THE CHURCH:

- A. Number of Churches in the Country: _____
- B. Number of Pastors/Missionaries in the Country: _____
- C. Number of Denominations in Country: _____
(List Top 10):

Name	Number of Members
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

D. Number of Mission Organizations (List Top 10):

Name	Type of Ministry

E. List Any UUPG Coalitions or Partnerships that are Trying to Reach Your Group:

When & Where is Their Next Meeting?

Contact Phil Butler at pbutler@visionsynergy.net for more information.

III. LANGUAGE INFORMATION FOR COUNTRY OF YOUR UUPG

A. National or Trade Language: _____

B. Alternate Names for this Language: _____

C. Languages Taught in Schools:

1. _____

2. _____

D. % Literate in the National Language: _____

E. Attitudes Towards Literacy:

- Not Important Indifferent Positive Eager to Learn

F. Attitude of Your People Group Towards the National Language:

- Refuse to use Resentful, but use Indifferent
 Eager Positive

G. Other Language Comments:

IV. SUMMARY AND NEXT STEPS

Having completed this overview of the country, you are now ready to concentrate more deeply on your people group. Remember that they are a minority population in the country. Though they may have many cultural characteristics in common with the primary population, there will be some characteristics that are very different. Your next step should be to complete the People Group Profile.

PEOPLE GROUP PROFILE

I. PEOPLE GROUP SUMMARY

A. Name of Group: _____

B. Population: _____

C. Country: _____

D. Province/State: _____

E. District/County: _____

F. Describe Where this Group Lives:

Note: Find maps to attach to this profile

G. How Many of this Group Live in the Capital City? _____

H. Are there Other Cities with Significant Populations? I.e. over 5000:

UUPG Population Center: Longitude _____ Latitude _____

I. How Many Live in Other Countries? _____
(Name countries and number of people)

Name of Country	Number of People
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

J. Where is the Nearest Airport? _____

K. Can You Fly to that Airport Directly from Outside the Country? _____

L. What are Your Travel Options from the Airport to Your People Group?

M. What are the Possible Accommodations for Your Team in the Capital City, and the Approximate Cost per Night?

N. What are the Possible Accommodations and Costs for Your Team near Your People Group?

II. PEOPLE GROUP LANGUAGES

A. Language Name: _____

B. Alternate Names: _____

C. What is the Trade Language? _____

D. What % of this UUPG Speaks the Trade Language? _____

E. What Language is Taught in Schools? _____

F. What % of this UUPG is Literate in this Language? _____

G. Are there Publications in this Language? _____ (Get Samples)

H. What is Their Attitude towards Becoming Literate?

Not Important Indifferent Positive Eager

I. What is Their Attitude towards the National/trade Language?

Refuse to use Resentful, refuse Indifferent Positive Eager

J. Other Language Comments:

III. STATE OF EVANGELISM & CHURCH PLANTING

- A. How Many Believers are There? _____
- B. How Many have been Baptized? _____
- C. How Many Churches are There? _____
- D. How Many Churches have Buildings? _____
- E. How Many Missionaries or Local Evangelists are Working in the Group? _____

IV. FREEDOM TO OPENLY EVANGELIZE & PLANT CHURCHES

- A. Is it Permitted to Have Open Meetings for Evangelism? _____
e.g. film showings, outreaches, etc?
- B. Are Christian Broadcasts Available?
 - TV
 - Radio
 - Satellite
- C. What are the Broadcast Languages? _____

V. BIBLICAL RESOURCES

- A. How much of the Scripture is Available? (i.e., Bible, NT, individual books)

- B. Are there Hindrances to Scripture Distribution?
 - Illiteracy
 - Unresponsive
 - Biblical Illiteracy
 - Distribution Problems
 - Understanding
 - Poor Translation

C. Which Gospel Tools are Available?

- Audio Recording
- JESUS Film
- Literature
- Other

D. Does the People Group have a Cultural Practice of Gathering in Small Groups?
Explain the practice:

E. How are Christians Viewed within the People Group?

- Respected Looked down on Indifferent Antagonistic Persecuted

VII. PEOPLE RESOURCES

A. Who will be Your Contact in the Country to Guide You to Potential Partners?

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Fax number: _____

Office number: _____

How many hours ahead or behind your time zone is this time zone?

When are the best times to call? (E.g. 6:00 – 8:00 a.m. PST)

Are there cautions as to what can be said on the phone or in an email?

B. Who will You Contact as Additional Representatives of this Group, if Your Primary Contact is not Available to Help You?

1. Contact Information for Additional Representative:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Fax number: _____

Office number: _____

2. Contact Information for Additional Representative:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Fax number: _____

Office number: _____

C. Will there be Cooperative Efforts with a Church in the Capital City or Another City? _____

If so, list contact information:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Fax number: _____

Office number: _____

D. Where will the Workers Come From?

E. How will the Workers be Recruited?

F. Who will Train the Workers?

G. What will They be Trained to Do?

H. How can You Assist Financially without Creating "Rice Christian" Workers?

I. How Much Should the Workers be Paid? _____
What percent of their salaries should be internally funded? _____

J. Is a Written Letter of Agreement a Good Idea to put Forward in Their Culture?

K. Is there a Denomination that will Help Plant the Church? _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Fax number: _____

Office number: _____

VII. WHAT ARE THE GREATEST NEEDS/PROBLEMS OF THE PEOPLE GROUP?

- Medical Care
- Dental Care
- Schools
- School Uniforms
- Food
- Jobs
- Clean Water
- Teacher Training
- HIV/AIDS
- Teaching Preventative Healthcare
- Child Labor Abuse
- Abusive Power by Leaders
- Black Market Economy

VIII. WHAT ARE THE GREATEST THINGS YOUR CHURCH CAN DO IN THE PARTNERSHIP TO REACH THIS GROUP?

- Pray
- Provide some finances
- Send short-term Ministry Teams
- Send Pastors to train new indigenous Pastors
- Send HIV/AIDs materials
- Help with drilling water wells
- Help start micro enterprises
- Provide films, equipment, audio tapes
- Help train workers
- Help provide school uniforms
- Other

IX. WHEN WILL YOU SCHEDULE THE NEXT VISIT OF A GROUP FROM YOUR CHURCH?

Check with your contact to schedule your next visit at a time when you can meet the People Group leaders. You may also want to be aware of rainy seasons, cultural holidays, and other factors that would interfere with ministry opportunities in the future.

A. Suggested Date #1: _____

B. Suggested Date #2: _____