

## ALL PRAISE BE TO GOD

The Apostle Paul describes a miracle behind the rapid growth of the Gospel in the First Century in 1 Cor. 1:20, 26-30. In that great passage, he points out the humble origins of the people of God at that time—in stark contrast to the amazing month-by-month growth of Christianity. Our picture is reversed today, with many distinguished leaders and workers and beautiful institutions frustrated by a painfully slow growth of the Gospel.

A large part of the miracle of CSI was in God's choice of Bro. Bill as its founder and mover. Largely self-taught, Bro. Bill's life and ministry prospered in the face of financial limitations. He developed CSI as a missions instrument that is as systematic and logical as any a large team of PhD's could come up with. The final power of the instrument, however, is not in the system, but in the miraculous work of the Spirit of God. Who has taken the modest resources given to CSI and turned them into a galloping gospel movement in countries where denominations with far more abundant resources have been frustrated with meager results. CSI is not a missions monolith, but a missions movement. CSI has organizational children working in the world—especially in Romania, Guatemala, Viet Nam, in Texas prisons and is spreading fast in countries not open to western missions **or our own IMB, including, of course, Siberia.**

Jesus said that we are to be judged by our fruit. CSI meets well that standard. Probably, none of us deserve to be a part of such a work of God, but He is a Grace-full God and we are His grateful people. Paul concludes: ***“Let him who boasts, boast of the Lord.”***

## CHURCH STARTS INTERNATIONAL GLOBAL MISSION PLAN

Developed over 23 years by its Director

### Step One DEVELOP THE TOOLS & DISTRIBUTION PLAN

CSI has created its Strategy of Work through the creation of unique field-tested simple & effective tools for discipling all ages and training workers. Translation efforts widen the usefulness of the literature tools to hundreds of millions more. Printing plants were established, commercial printing used and now small printers are used in very widely-spread mission fields.

### Step Two ENLIST THE SUPPORT

CSI enjoys general support plus special project gifts. In the future, it should be possible to enlist specific support for defined mission fields.

### Step Three FORM THE TEAM

In **Romania**, Teaching -Training- Sending Centers were organized.

In **Guatemala**, a leader & team were enlisted .

In **Moldova, Ukraine, and Russia including Siberia, Yakutia, and Far East Russia**, national leaders and team members are enlisted.

### Step Four DEFINE THE AREAS

From the beginning, workers envision reaching all of their vast regions, seeing them broken down into zones of neighborhoods. This greatly broadens their vision and sense of responsibility and purpose.

### Step Five TRAIN THE WORKERS

The strategy and the simple interactive program are easily taught.

Conferences for youth, adults, prisoners, etc. provide necessary orientation and motivation.

### Step Six DISCIPLE INDICATED PEOPLE GROUPS

God opens special doors in which the discipling work is initiated. In

Guatemala it is in public schools. In Moldova: Children's groups. In Siberia,

Russia: Youth, elderly women, prisoners. In Russia, start in state orphanages.

### Step Seven EXPAND AS GOD LEADS & ENABLES

As the work takes hold in certain people groups, others present themselves.

**In Guatemala**, it started with villagers, then included school children and now reaches out to government teachers and employees.

**In Moldova**, churches were first started and strengthened. Now children's Bible Clubs and Bible Club Camps are flourishing. From Moldova, the work has spread naturally to Russia including Siberia, Yakutia, and Far East Russia, to Ukraine, back to Romania, and, now to China and beyond!

### Step Eight EVALUATE & IMPROVE

Effective mission work is fast-moving, with decisions made on the run. With time, more careful & detailed evaluation is possible and necessary improvements and changes are made.