

20 Field Questions

about our Interface with Churches' P.E.A.C.E. Initiatives

1. Are there Unengaged People Groups (UEGs) on our field we are already targeting or would target if we had churches which wanted to partner with us to reach them?
2. How does fighting the five giants (spiritual lostness, corrupt leadership, poverty, disease, and illiteracy) match our field goals and priorities? If we are not ready to attack all five, are we willing to partner with others in order to facilitate this holistic approach?
3. Do we believe that, despite the challenges, church-to-church partnerships can be an effective means of building up churches and reaching unreached peoples? To accomplish such ambitious goals, what would partnerships need to look like?
4. What additional information do we need about the P.E.A.C.E. Plan to make intelligent decisions and advise others? How will we get this?
5. Do we know of any P.E.A.C.E. partnerships already launched here? Or are there any church-to-church partnerships that are similar (i.e. addressing problems holistically and combining church efforts to reach UEGs)? If so, how can we learn from them? Do we want to recruit churches to launch a model P.E.A.C.E. initiative? If so, which national church and UEG would offer the best setting? How will we find a good P.E.A.C.E. church match?
6. What national churches would be good potential P.E.A.C.E. partners? What would be the criteria? What national leaders should be involved in discussions about P.E.A.C.E. initiatives?
7. Churches initiating P.E.A.C.E. efforts are encouraged to contact potential national partners directly or through some "brokers" listed in the P.E.A.C.E. database, so national churches may be solicited directly for involvement. Should we prepare leaders by introducing them to the concepts of P.E.A.C.E.? What information will be important to communicate?
8. The time and effort required to facilitate P.E.A.C.E. initiatives could vary dramatically. What assistance would church partners need most often? Could one person facilitate multiple P.E.A.C.E. partnerships? Who could we envision serving effectively in this role (missionary or national)? What would the job description include?
9. Would we want to establish minimum requirements for P.E.A.C.E. initiatives we facilitate? Would such include:
 - A certain length of commitment to the project?
 - Agreement to our security guidelines?
 - Commitment to a series of short-term ministries?
 - Adoption of mutually acceptable strategy and goals?
 - Willingness to submit to priorities of the national church partner?
 - Agreement to complete our on-field orientation and debriefing requirements?
 - Financial resources to cover facilitation costs?
 - Agreement to abide by our financial guidelines regarding funding field projects and nationals?
 - Commitment of the church, not just one small group, to the project?
 - Other?
10. In what ways could UEG survey work by P.E.A.C.E. churches benefit our overall field goals? How could we help churches conduct research about their UEG that is of the highest quality? How can we help them access data from research that has already been completed?
11. How many P.E.A.C.E. initiatives could we envision helping to launch in the next two years? Five years? Ten years? What would this require on our part?

12. What would we be willing to see postponed or eliminated in order to facilitate P.E.A.C.E. initiatives? What will make this worthwhile?
13. What sending office support would we need to facilitate P.E.A.C.E. efforts? Would we like our agency to proactively solicit P.E.A.C.E. partner churches for our field?
14. P.E.A.C.E. is very intentionally designed to be a church-to-church project that is non-agency dependent. One of the training modules helps groups not be diverted from their purpose by missionaries' agendas. On the other hand, P.E.A.C.E. is an open program; churches can practice P.E.A.C.E. any way they choose. How can we help our personnel to (1) facilitate P.E.A.C.E. initiatives when we can harness the potential for great ministry benefit, or (2) graciously assist churches to find other partners when their goals do not fit our mission, and to do both with an attitude of humility and a Kingdom perspective?
15. If a church not connected to one of our missionaries or our agency contacts us about assistance with a P.E.A.C.E. initiative, should such requests be funneled through one person? How will they be prioritized?
16. Regardless of our direct involvement with P.E.A.C.E., are there parts of the database training that we would like to recommend churches use for pre-field training of their short-term teams coming to work with us?
17. Do we have resources specific to our field or targeted UEGs that we would recommend Saddleback add to their training database?
18. P.E.A.C.E. initiatives may bring to our field a number of short termers with potential for long-term service. How could we use this as a recruitment opportunity?
19. How could we partner with other agencies, NGOs, or church bodies to maximize the benefits and minimize the potential problems of P.E.A.C.E. initiatives?
20. P.E.A.C.E. is designed to mobilize local churches everywhere. How could we use this resource to better engage churches here in local and global outreach?

P.E.A.C.E. OVERVIEW AND 40 MORE QUESTIONS: In addition to these *20 Field Questions*, there is a *P.E.A.C.E. Plan Overview, 20 Agency-Wide Questions* and *20 Mobilization Questions*. All can be accessed at: www.catalystservices.org/resources/prep-PEACE.shtml

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