

STATEMENT OF FAITH

The Scriptures, both Old and New Testaments, are the inspired Word of God, the complete revelation of His will for the salvation of man and the final Authority for all Christian faith, life, and conduct. (See full statement on website)

VALUES

INSERV is an interdenominational organization with Christian workers from different church denominations, recognizing that the issues on which they differ are less important than those that unite them. In serving churches and mission organizations from different church denominations we value

- Partnerships / Networking
- Relationships
- Excellence and Integrity
- Servant hood
- Empowerment

THE CHALLENGE

- The evangelization of over two billion people without the Gospel due to language, political and geographic barriers.
- Informing the church as to where to find the unreached of Africa and the world and mobilising the church towards fulfilling the Great Commission.
- You can play a significant role in reaching these billions by supporting **Inserv** through prayer and financial contributions.

INSERV seeks to fulfill its vision and mission through the following programmes:

MISSIONS RESEARCH

More than 1000 people groups in Africa are still un-evangelized. Inserv's research projects are aimed at the gathering and interpretation of data for strategic planning of gospel outreaches and church planting among the un-evangelized people groups.

In partnership with MANI (Movement for African National Initiatives) Inserv is involved in the development of an African data base (Ethne Information System - EIS) of all ethnic people groups on the continent with the aim of reaching them with the gospel.

Other research projects include joint projects with mission organizations such as TOPIC (Trainer of Pastors International Coalition) doing a Church Leadership Needs Assessment Survey and the Neighbours project to discover and understand the distribution of different religious groups in South Africa for outreach by the church.

On request we also do commissioned research by assisting organizations, congregations and denominations to better understand their environment in order to develop locally applicable strategies.

RESEARCH TRAINING

Inserv provide customized **research training** to persons, churches or organizations with no or little experience that will empower them to apply the acquired research principles in their ministries. Our Biblical approach helps learners discover God's plan through research principles. We regard research as a critical element in the development of effective strategies in the God given assignment of the Great Commission. Subjects like Observation, Research Process, Culture, Documentation, and Interpretation, amongst others, introduce the student to see the unseen.

MAPPING

Mapping refers to the capture, storage and analysis of geographical data/information as well as the presentation of such results in the form of tables, reports, graphs and maps. Mapping has always been a valuable tool in the field of missions and Christian Ministry. Together with Global Mapping International (GMI), we offer mapping resources and training workshops.

MOBILIZATION

The goal of Mission Mobilization is to strategically promote missions in Africa. Through research we identify critical issues affecting churches in Africa, and through consultation meetings, workshops and training seminars, conferences, literature publication (e.g. the book, "Evangelical Christian Missions: an African Perspective"), sensitize and mobilize churches to respond to such issues.

MORE EXAMPLES OF INSERV's WORK:

- Assisted organizations and churches in various research projects amongst least-reached people groups through literature and field research in the Southern African region and West Africa
- Published 12 editions of the Reach Out guide advertising short-term outreaches world wide.
- We were part of the Research Network of South Africa that did research on "Missions in the new South Africa." The outcome was the publication of the book "No quick fixes", edited by Prof. Dons Kritzinger of the University of Pretoria;
- Publication of Mission maps for Ministries and churches, as well as training them in the use of mapping software;
- Part of a facilitation team building the EIS database (Ethne Information System), an African people group database to identify the least-reached in the Continent
- In 2012 published a book, "Evangelical Christian Mission: An African perspective".
- In 2013 successfully organized a regional researcher's conference for the verification and update of people group info in Southern Africa.

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Vision:

"Strategically serving and mobilizing the church through missions research."

MISSION STATEMENT

"Mission empowerment through strategic missions research and services to the church in advancing the kingdom of Christ amongst the least reached."

BACKGROUND

INSERV was founded in 1988 by a group of young professionals who felt the call to missions firstly through prayer and financial involvement and later through personal involvement. It was registered in 1999 as 'Missionserv Trust', aiming at providing churches, mission agencies and individuals with information and maps through research projects. Information is used to mobilise churches and further assistance is rendered through research training and consultation in strategic missions planning. This enables the church to do effective mission and church planting programs (both short- and long-term), as well as cross-cultural outreaches among the least reached people groups, both locally and internationally.