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TOPIC: THE CHURCH AS A STRATEGIC PARTNER IN
TRANSFORMATIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICA.

INTRODUCTION:

It is inadmissible that the church's missionary activity should be indifferent to the needs and aspirations of developing countries and that, because of its religious orientation, neglect the basic duties of human charity . . . We for ourselves, in our encyclical *Populorum Progressio*, have stressed the duty of resolutely and intelligently fostering the growth of economic, cultural, social and spiritual wellbeing amongst peoples, especially those of the so-called Third World.

- Pope Paul VI

BIBLICAL FOUNDATION:

II Chronicles 7:14

God clearly states that if those who are called by His name humble themselves and seek His face He will forgive their sins and heal their land. This healing is holistic. It touches the relational and material. It results from meeting spiritual conditions that God has laid down in this passage. There is therefore a strong affirmation that human, social and economic development is not alien to the Christian concept of missions. A holistic understanding of mission underscores the fact that God is not only concerned with the supernatural, but His power is active in the material life of mankind.

THESIS:

The Church as a strategic partner needs to define its entry point to the collaborative enterprise of transformational development in Africa.

HIGHLIGHT:

The explosions in Christian populations of Africa have not in most cases resulted in proportionate transformation of the communities, social systems, and institutions. The emphasis of most initiatives has been on the salvation of the immaterial soul. As a result, most Christians in Africa lack the appropriate paradigm and competencies for relating to the material and social aspects of life. This has made it difficult for Christians to provide leadership in their various spheres of responsibility. The task of the strategic partnership of the church's development enterprise can become authentic in content and goals when it clearly defines the role of faith in development.

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Steps in Community Development.

Study: Case Fuel for the Water Pump

Phenomenology:

Ngoy and the merchants identified a need for continuous supply of fuel amidst the prevailing scarcity of fuel in Angola. To them, the end justifies the means, and therefore, the source of fuel supply had no consequence in relation to meeting a critical need.

Don however had a different perspective in the light of his worldview. As a Christian leader, he did not merely react to the prevailing culture but he remained relevant because he married cultural context to his worldview that the end justifies the means. His motive was to do the right thing for the right reason arising out of his sense of integrity and accountability.

Ontology:

Proverbs 4:23, 24 expect the Christian to allow his life to be guided, guarded, and gauged by the timeless principles of truth and integrity. There is also the motive check in 1Timothy 6:3-10; 17-19. Thus, Scripture expects the leader to be an example to the flock. Following from these passages of scripture the appropriate option would be for Don to close down the seminary temporarily.

Missiology:

A temporarily closure of the seminary would give Don the opportunity to look for alternative sources of fuel supply. In the process, he could use ^{the} _a medium of advocacy to

rally a development thrust towards environmental protection of water sources as well as an anti-corruption drive.

A more critical need is to draw up an evangelistic and discipleship strategy targeted at a holistic transformation of hearts and worldviews of the community including the merchants and fuel vendors.

DME 928 Anthropology for Missions and Evangelism

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DME 928. Anthropology for Missions and Evangelism

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Title: The Study about the Life of North Korean Refugees

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9/25/05

Dr. Hiebert:

Assuming I can take this class for credit, I would like to do my major paper on "Rural Youth in America; How Youth Ministry is affected". It would seem from my initial research that more data needs to be accumulated for this area. Very few (if any) youth ministry books deal with rural or 'rurban' ministry in any detail.

Below is a short bibliography of initial finds at Roling. If approved I would need to also do significant research at a secular library as well as online. Thank you for your consideration.

-Garrett Lafferty

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Case Study – Fuel for the Water Pump

1. Phenomenology:
 - a. There were basically two perspectives represented in this case. Ngoy stated the obvious that fuel was needed for the water pump. It seems that he would have no moral problem with purchasing fuel from the nearby village, even if it was commonly known to be stolen. Don, saw this as a moral dilemma because it was stolen and he considered this action wrong based upon his upbringing and his desire to live consistently with his beliefs.
 - b. In the local culture the practice of stolen diesel fuel seems to be at the least passively accepted. Given the shortages and government priorities, the people had made an alternative work around solution. Don realized that this was part of a larger systemic problem with the government and that their water system was dependent upon non-dependable local and foreign sources.
 - c. The issue simply put is deciding to either close something very important effecting many due to a seemingly unavoidable shortage, or serve the greater good through a locally accepted and seemingly small deceitful way.
2. Ontology:
 - a. While I could think of no specific Scripture on the subject, I did think of some parallels to the teaching on the use of measures and scales. In Duet. 28:15, Lev. 19:35 and Pr. 11:1 we get the clear sense that the Lord detests anyone who deals with dishonesty and that the people of God should avoid this when they knowingly have a choice.
 - b. Proverbs 16:1-8 exhorts us to wait upon God and to place our ways upon Him. The writer encourages us that it is better to have little, but with righteousness, than to have much gain but done unjustly.
3. Missiology:
 - a. An immediate response – I would suggest three things that Don could do in context with Ngoy, the faculty, the student body, and the mission community.
 - i. First, I would make this a matter of prayer for the entire school body during the time remaining. This would allow God to use this as a teaching experience for everyone demonstrating that God desires us to walk by faith and that He can still perform miracles.
 - ii. Secondly, I would ask the students and faculty to listen for a response from God as there may be other alternative ways that He would choose to solve this problem through one of them unknown to Don.
 - iii. Thirdly, if the Lord chose not to provide any alternative solution, I would close the seminary and high school until one could be developed trusting God might have some unknown reasons for this to take place and knowing that His ways are not ours. (Gen.50:20)
 - b. Long term tasks – Given that a viable water supply is needed to operate the school and that there is not a dependable source for diesel fuel I would suggest:
 - i. Continue to pray for a solution that would honor God and be a testimony to the community.
 - ii. Explore some type of alternative and appropriate technology means for pumping the water (solar, bicycle, wind, or hand pump power)
 - iii. Work with local officials to see what ways the community could be involved to find a workable solution and more reliable source for the pump.

ME 829, Church, Mission and Community Development
Initial outline for my paper: *Agricultural Development Project in Ukraine*.
Melvin Sayer
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The goal of this paper is to investigate the possibility of the EFCCM establishing a farm to support our Bible Institute and provide a model for mid-size agricultural and economic development in Ukraine.

Research will include the following topics:

- I. Theological foundations of agricultural production.
- II. The present situation in Ukraine.
 - a. Dnepropetrovsk Bible Institute
 - b. The developing economy
 - c. Agricultural situation and potential for development
 - d. Potential agriculturally related spinoff development potential
- III. What other Christian groups are doing in the agricultural industry in Ukraine.
 - a. Freedom Farms (based near Champaign, Illinois)
 - b. Mennonite Church project (based in Pandora, Ohio)
- IV. Conclusions, recommendation for action for the Evangelical Free Church of Canada Mission

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Micro Enterprise Development

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Jimmy Row

Our approach to the Project

1. Defining Micro Enterprise
 - a. What it is
 - b. What it is not
2. Theological understanding
 - a. Biblical examples (Year of Jubilee, Talents, Tent makers)
 - b. Integration of the Gospel with development (Lausanne covenant)
3. Principles to micro enterprise
 - a. Terminology
 - b. Models of Development
 - i. Rotating Savings and Credit Association (ROSCA) Approach
 - ii. Revolving Loan Approach.
 - iii. Others (Agricultural, Pawning)
 - c. Previous mistakes
 - d. Current ideas
4. Possible Case Studies
 - a. Opportunity International
 - b. Partners Worldwide
 - c. Farms International
5. Resources
 - a. First Five
 - b. Webpages
 - i. http://www.usaid.gov/our_work/economic_growth_and_trade/poverty_reduction/microenterprise_development.html
 - ii. http://www.microlinks.org/ev_en.php
 - iii. <http://www.farmsinternational.com/index.html>
 - iv. http://www.aerdo.org/resources/organizations/christian_microcredit.html
 - v. <http://www.gdrc.org/icm/inspire/what-works.html>
 - vi. <http://www.wr.org/ourwork/whatwedo/microenterprisedevelopment.asp>
 - vii. <http://www.mea.org.za/>
 - viii. <http://usinfo.state.gov/journals/ites/0204/ijee/ijee0204.htm>
 - ix. <http://www.opportunity.org/>
 - x. <http://www.partnersworldwide.org/>
 - xi. http://www.tearfund.org.nz/micro_enterprise/micro_enterprise.php
 - c. Additional helpful
 - i. *Dependency! Is Micro-credit an Answer?* By Joseph E. Richter
 - ii. *Christian Microenterprise Development* by Russell P. Mask PhD.
 - iii. UNDP, MicroStart - a Guide for Planning, Starting and Managing a Microfinance Programme [Ver 1.0], 1997.
6. Object Lesson or Practical application Ideas for the class
 - a. Practical one time gift that could be returned and used again by a future class.
 - b. Host a mini ROSCA

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