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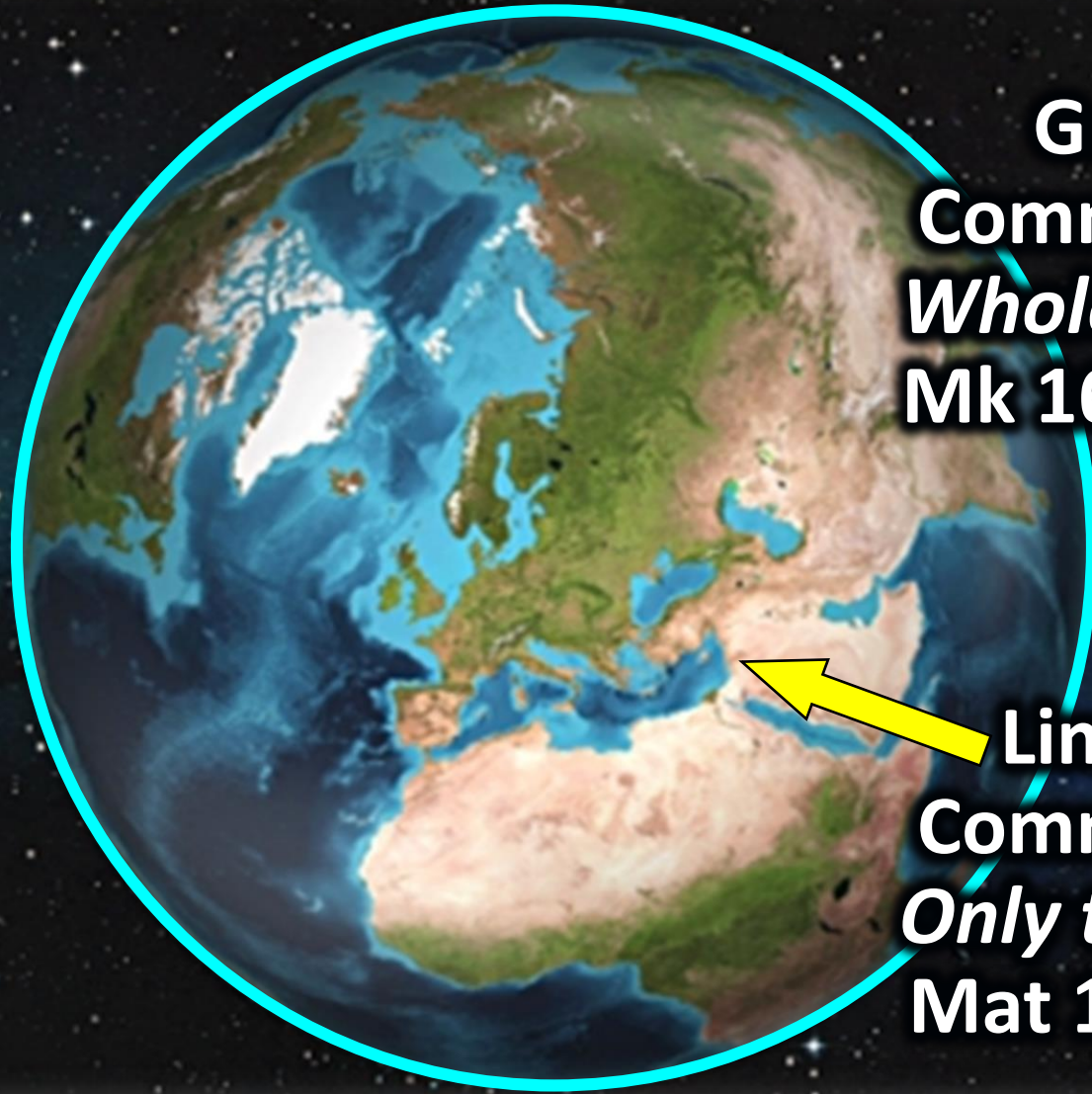
Division between Church of Christ and Christian Church 1906

*Missionary Society 1849
Instrumental Music 1859
Preacher = "Pastor" system
Unscriptural fund raising..
(Fairs, Concerts, etc)
Accepting denominations.*

Disciples of Christ 1968

No test of faith. Anything's ok

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Great
Commission
*Whole **World***
Mk 16:15 -16

Limited
Commission
*Only to **Israel***
Mat 10:5 -18

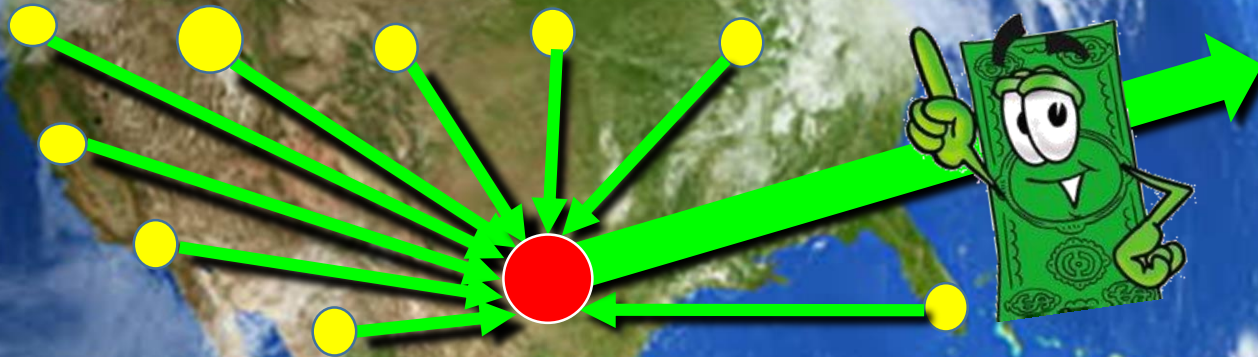
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After WWII – Great Push to **Evangelize World**

Good, but how? (1 Thes 1:8)

1946 the **Sponsoring-Church** arrangement is born.

Many churches donate to 1 church who does work.



But is it
Scriptural?

(Phil 4:15)

CENI?

*Broadway church in Lubbock, Tx to evangelize **Germany**.*

*Union Ave church in Memphis, TN to evangelize **Japan**.*

*5th & Highland in Abilene; 1952, to Evangelize **World**.*

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World Wall Map

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How Does East Tacoma Support Missionary Work?

Send the money *directly* to the missionary.

**East
Tacoma**

**Jim
in the
Philippines**

**2 Cor 11:8 I robbed other churches by receiving
support from them so as to serve you. NIV**

No Missionary Society or Sponsoring Church.

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Map Not To Scale

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Some Churches **Donate to Human Institutions**

Should be an
individual, not
church action

Para-church organizations:
Colleges like ACU, OCU,
Lipscomb, Harding, etc

But is it

Scriptural?

(Jas 1:26 -27)

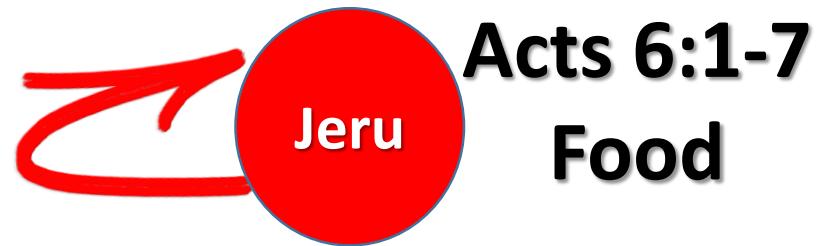
(Mt 25:35 -40)

Children's Homes: Fair Havens **Ala** ; Boles Home **Tx**
Smithlawn Maternity & Adoption Home, Lubbok **Tx**
Rocky Mtn Children's Hm **Col.** **68 Homes** in 24 states

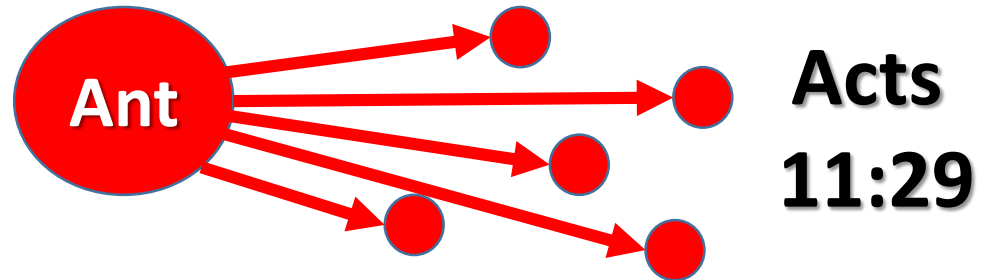
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How Did **NT Churches** Care For Needy Saints?

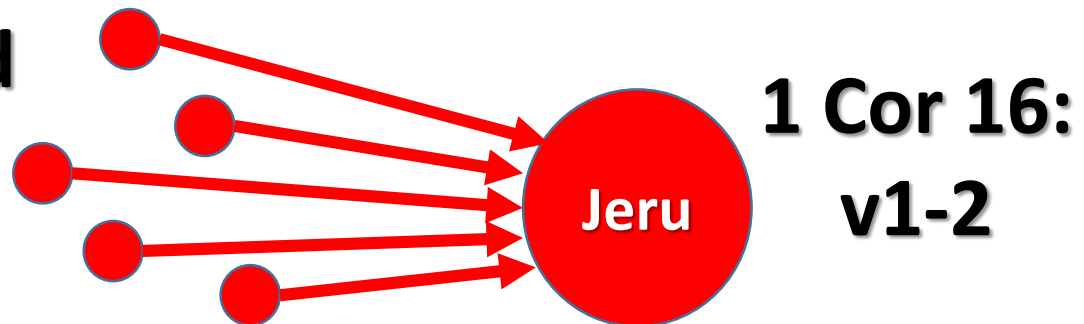
Jerusalem cared for their own needy saints.



Antioch cared for the needy saints in Judah
(*One to many churches*)



Many churches cared needy saints in Jeru
(*Many to one church*)



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Individuals can contribute to **ANY** good work.

Colleges & human organizations are good, but aren't the **church's work.**



Boys & Girls Clubs

Florida College

Greenpeace

Habitat for human

Make a Wish

Mercy Corps

Rocky Mtn CH

Wounded Warrior

Toys for Tots

African Wildlife

Rain Forest Action

Nat'l Rifle Assoc

Amer Red Cross

Drs w/o Borders

Meals on Wheels

Guide Dogs

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Crossroads Church Movement

Crossroads church
Gainseville, hired
Chuck Lucas 1967
as campus
minister.

Beings Discipling Movement

1. Making disciples was the
primary goal & purpose
of Christian life. (?)

2. You **must go out**, not wait for them to come to you.

3. Each new disciple gets a **prayer partner to emulate & obey**

Newbie confesses sin, is directed by older partner re. how
much time to evangelize, pray, who date, how much spend.

4. To be a disciple requires **TOTAL COMMITMENT** to God,
the **CHURCH** and the **DISCIPLING PROCESS!**

But what does the **BIBLE** say? (1 Cor 10:31; Gal 5:1)

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Boston Church/ ICOC Movement

Disciple, Kip McKeen moves with 30 TOTALLY COMMITTED DISCIPLES TO MASS. 1979

Rents Boston Gardens for church services – seats 17K

Boston plants churches in Chicago & London, 1982.

Boston has 1,000 members is a movement, 1982.

Abandons church autonomy, has 3K members 1987.

Churches in NY, Toronto, Paris, Stockholm, Bombay...

Churches resist **Boston usurping church authority,**

Must obey the preachers, total control by disciplers.

But what does the Bible say? Mk 16:16; 1 Pet 5:3.

The Restoration *Principle*

Isa 8:20 ***"To the law and to the testimony!"***
If they do not speak according to this word,
it is because there is no light in them." NKJV

Jer 6:16 "Stand in the ways and see , ***and ask for the old paths, where the good way is,*** and walk in it. Then you will find rest for your souls. But they said, 'We will not walk in it.'" NKJV

1 Peter 4:11 "If anyone speaks, let him ***speak as the oracles of God.***" NKJV

Speak Where the Bible Speaks