

# God's Symphony of Effort



| Ministry Objective                         |                   | Total Task   | - Progress  | = Left to Do!   |
|--|-------------------|--|---|---|
| Scripture Translation <sup>1</sup>         | Language-specific | ~5,200<br>"Living" languages,<br>definite translation need | - 3,400<br>Portions, NT or Bible or<br>translation underway | = 1,800<br>No Scripture, definite<br>translation need     |
| Scripture Online Availability <sup>2</sup> |                   | ~1,000<br>Languages with over<br>250,000 speakers          | - 575<br>Languages available<br>online or broadcast         | = 425<br>Languages needed<br>(not all are translated yet) |
| Audio Recordings <sup>3</sup>              |                   | ~12,000<br>Spoken languages<br>and dialects                | - 6,400<br>Language and dialect<br>recordings available     | = 5,600<br>Recordings needed                              |
| Jesus Film <sup>4</sup>                    |                   | ~2,000<br>Languages with over<br>50,000 speakers           | - 1,300<br>Languages completed                              | = 700<br>Yet to be dubbed                                 |
| Satellite TV <sup>5</sup>                  |                   | 7<br>"World" Languages                                     | - 7<br>"World" Languages                                    | = 0<br>More may be added                                  |
| Engagement <sup>6</sup>                    | People-specific   | ~11,800<br>Ethnic-linguistic<br>groups                     | - 8,600<br>Engaged  | = 3,200<br>Unengaged                                      |
| Church Planting <sup>7</sup>               |                   | ~16,500<br>People groups by<br>caste and religion          | - 9,800<br>Now possess<br>indigenous churches               | = 6,700<br>Least-Reached                                  |

Sources: 1=Wycliffe Bible Translators, 2=Bible.is, YouVersion.com, Joshua Project, 3=Global Recordings Network, 4=Jesus Film Project, 5=SAT-7, 6=International Mission Board-SBC estimates, 7=Joshua Project. Data from February 2017. Some numbers are rough estimates.

*"Note that all seven rows are ways of looking at the tasks that are of real value. Nevertheless, it would be a great mistake to assume that any one row is the answer to the Unfinished Task. None of the numbers in the final column (Left to Do!) are exact. All the numbers are conservative and some are rough estimates. No one communication tool or approach can by itself complete the Great Commission. God is orchestrating all of these tools and approaches to bring about 'A Church for Every People.'" Quote and original diagram: Winter / Koch, Perspectives Reader 4<sup>th</sup> Ed. pg. 558.*

