

### III. DECLARING HIS GLORIOUS NAME TO ALL THE NATIONS

All people are created by God to worship Him in spirit and truth. He is awesome and worthy of all our praise. Yet, He is not worshipped by all people in many nations. Strength and beauty are in His sanctuary (v.6) but His name needs to be taken across the seas so people can come to know His majesty and marvelous works. Only if His people declare His name to these nations can they know the truth and give to the Lord the glory due to His name (v.8). God will judge all people, yet His people can rejoice and not be afraid since their God is gracious and righteous.

God's salvation has been provided for in His Son, the Savior of the world – Jesus, our only hope of glory. We must proclaim His name to the unreached since it's God's power to save all who believe and there's no other name! Like Paul, let's be eager and ready to take Jesus' name to all nations knowing one day, people from every tongue and nation will worship and glorify Jesus. *Not everyone is called to go cross-culturally with the Gospel, but everyone must struggle with the possibility! Who are the missionaries, across the world, you are praying for and supporting?!*

**Let's Go Across The Street And Around The World!**

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### ACROSS THE STREET AND AROUND THE WORLD

Declare His Glory By Proclaiming His Name

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#### INTRODUCTION

##### A. What is our Global Missions Focus?

Mission: Making sure that everyone in the world hears the Gospel of Jesus Christ correctly and planting New Testament churches among those who believe.

*"23 So when they had appointed elders in every church, and prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord in whom they had believed.*

*24 And after they had passed through Pisidia, they came to Pamphylia.*

*25 Now when they had preached the word in Perga, they went down to Attalia.*

*26 From there they sailed to Antioch, where they had been commended to the grace of God for the work which they had completed.*

*27 Now when they had come and gathered the church together, they reported all that God had done with them, and that He had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles." Acts 14:23-27*

##### B. The theme of our 2016 Global Missions Focus is "ACROSS THE STREET AND AROUND THE WORLD".

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##### C. In ACROSS THE STREET AND AROUND THE WORLD, we will be challenged to go across the street and around the world for Jesus Christ. This six part series features the following messages:

July 3	Declare His Glory Among The Nations
July 10	Declare His Glory By Fulfilling His Mission
July 17	Declare His Glory By Planting His Harvest
July 24	Declare His Glory By Being His Witness
TODAY	Declare His Glory By Proclaiming His Name
Aug 7	Declare His Glory By Supporting His Missionaries

##### D. TEXT: Psalm 96:2 (Pew Bible/Pg.583/Old Testament)

## DECLARE HIS GLORY BY PROCLAIMING HIS NAME

This song of David was written at a special event, perhaps the temple's rededication (I Chronicles 16). It is a "new" song" since it calls for a fresh expression of praise to YHWH who alone is the Creator and Redeemer of all the earth. Importantly, it exhorts God's people to declare His name to the nations. This is specifically to all people and families who don't know His name in which alone is His saving power that brings Him glory. "Around the world," all who hear this good news will marvel, receive God's grace extended to them, and join in singing, "How great is our God!"

### I. DEFINING THE NAME, ABOVE ALL NAMES!

YaHWeH, the self-existing Maker and Ruler of all the earth is glorious in all His ways. His "name" represents His divine nature or character. All other "gods" are created idols out of vain, human imagination (v.5). Demonic forces behind idols, keep worshippers from knowing the one, true God. Jehovah, the God of the Bible, has revealed Himself as the only Savior and righteous Judge of all the earth. God's people, called by His name, knew *the name of the Lord* as a strong tower. Having experienced its saving power, they worshipped Him in the beauty of His holiness. So, God's name is an expression of His glory and grace that does wonders for all who trust in Him.

### II. DESCRIBING "ALL NATIONS" UNABLE TO CALL ON THE NAME

God, through His chosen people, longed to show His love and to bless all the families of the earth (Genesis 12:1-3). The Jews failed to understand their missional role and responsibility. Yet, God did not leave Himself without a witness and is "calling out" a people for His own namesake (Acts 15:14). Sadly, there has always been "heathen" people" (v.3) without the knowledge of God's person and saving works. These "nations," literally ethnic groups, have not called on the Lord's name to be saved (Romans 10:13). Why? Because His people haven't given them a chance to respond to the Gospel. Therefore, we, God's people, must declare his name to all nations.