

# Global Human Need: Introducing a Series of Global Diagrams Depicting Various Aspects of World Evangelization

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For almost 2 millennia, disciples of Jesus Christ have attempted to follow him on his mission of redemption to the whole world. They have sought to obey his last command on Earth, known as the Great Commission: "Go into all the world and make disciples of all peoples" (Matthew 28:19).

The series of 33 kaleidoscopic global diagrams that will be published in this and upcoming issues of the Journal attempts to portray the origin, history, evolution, current status, and possible futures of this Christian world mission. They do this by bringing together, for each of the 33 major related subjects or subdivisions, 3 elements: (a) any and all global statistics relevant to the subject, that is, all available figures at the all-inclusive world or worldwide level, describing the subject or in any demonstrable way relevant to understanding the status of the subject; (b) a diagrammatic illustration of the subject, usually via a globe or other representation of the totality of the world situation and the world task;

and (c) a short introductory text setting the scene and interpreting the whole diagram.

In this way, this series of 33 diagrams describes the world of yesterday, today, and tomorrow in relation to world evangelization. This latter subject, which refers to the influence of Jesus Christ on the world and the spread of his gospel, is in fact the ultimate focus of the series. The diagrams form the background context to 2,000 global and nonglobal AD 2000 plans, and to the kaleidoscopic global action plan (KGAP—see *IJFM* Vol 6:1-4). Each diagram portrays our world from a different standpoint. Each diagram is packed with relevant statistics—both already-published global statistics and newly-computed global statistics. All figures have exact definitions, time reference ("today" usually meaning mid-1990), and geographical reference. Each statistic or category occurs only once in the series, in the most relevant diagram, except for a small handful of the overall

totals (e.g. "1.8 billion Christians") necessary to set the starting points of several diagrams. Any subject or category with its statistics can be immediately located from the alphabetized Quick-Reference Global Statistical Index (Watch for its upcoming publication in spring 1990).

The 33 diagrams are divided into 3 categories—Past, Present, and Future. These underline the 3 major ongoing functions or values of statistics: for understanding the past, for analyzing the present, and for planning for the future.

## GLOBAL HUMAN NEED

We have selected Global Diagram 6: Today's Global Human Need (see next page) as it is the first in the series to delineate the current situation (Diagrams 1-5 depict the past). This diagram illustrates the catastrophic situation of human need with statistics on basic human rights, sociopolitical rights, fundamental freedoms, disaster and desertification, every sort of human disease and illness and finance. All of these have a significant role in the task of world evangelization. ■

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**Global Diagram 6. TODAY'S GLOBAL HUMAN NEED: POVERTY, SLUMS, DISASTERS, DEPRIVATION, RIGHTS ABUSES, ILLNESS, DISEASE, ADDICTION.**

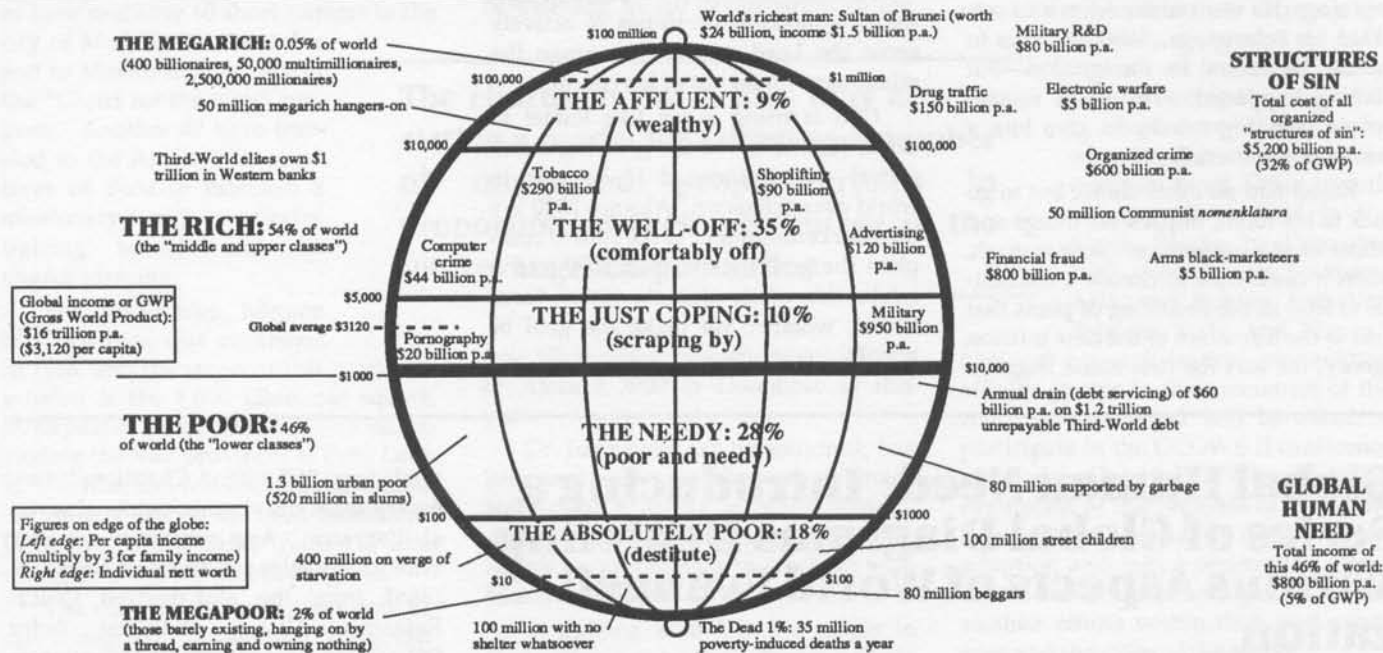
Human need is covered here in 2 consecutive diagrams. Global Diagram 6 focuses on the unfortunate victims involved (described by the detailed statistics below). Global Diagram 7 focuses on the organized structures of the world which perpetuate this tragedy.

The globe below gives an overview of these 2 subjects. It is divided into 2 halves. The lower half depicts the world of the Poor (the so-called "lower classes") divided into 2 main slices and into several population segments. The 4 columns of statistics below the globe then detail today's global human need.

The upper half of the globe depicts the world of the Rich (the "middle and upper classes"), divided into 3 main slices and into several population

segments. The figures shown attached to this upper half briefly outline the so-called "structures of sin", but this category is more fully described, with detailed statistics, in Global Diagram 7.

All statistics refer primarily to the year 1990 (usually mid-1990). All monies are given in USA dollars. Note also that "p.a." means "per annum", "per year", "a year", "each year", "every year". These terms are used alternately to provide variety. Note further that the same global totals throughout these diagrams may be given rounded to 1, 2, 3, or 4 significant figures (e.g. world population is 5.3 billion, or 5,292 million, etc). Partial totals may not always add up to global totals or 100.0% because of rounding.



**HUMANS ON THE GLOBE OF MID-1990**  
5,292,180,000 population  
91,201,500 population increase p.a. (1.72% p.a.; 93% in developing countries)  
Median age 24.2 years  
14.6 million births a year (2.67% p.a.)  
50.5 million deaths a year (0.96% p.a.)  
Life expectancy at birth 62.3 years

**BASIC RIGHTS: FOOD, WATER, SHELTER, CARE**  
1.8 billion undernourished  
950 million hungry (inadequate food for active working life)  
550 million severely malnourished  
500 million suffering from iron-deficiency anaemia  
400 million on verge of starvation  
10 million babies born malnourished every year  
Infant mortality (deaths under 1 year old) 88 per 1000 live births  
Maternal mortality 500,000 p.a.  
15 million annual hunger-related deaths of under 5s  
20 million starvation-related deaths p.a.  
1.3 billion without safe water to drink  
2.2 billion without adequate safe water supply  
3.0 billion with unsafe water and bad sanitation  
25,000 a day killed by dirty water  
1.1 billion without adequate shelter  
100 million with no shelter whatsoever  
50 million cave-dwellers  
1.1 billion without money to buy food  
1.3 billion with scarce firewood  
60 million abandoned children and infants  
300 million homeless/family-less children  
100 million megacity street children  
520 million slum-dwellers or shanty-dwellers  
New slum-dwellers increase at 70 million p.a.  
80 million supported by garbage collection/recycling  
1.5 billion with no access to medical care  
2.4 billion poor (46% of world)  
1,273 million urban poor (1.1 billion in Third World)  
952 million absolutely poor (in absolute poverty; 18%)  
Poorest 20% of world gets 1.6% of GWP  
Working-age population: 60 million more p.a.  
Exploited child labor: 50 million  
80 million beggars  
90 million unemployed workers

600 million underemployed labor  
1 billion urban part-time street vendors  
Physical quality of life index (global average): 68%  
50 countries with less calorie supply than essential (2,600 per capita per day)

**SOCIOPOLITICAL RIGHTS**  
10 million stateless (with no nationality)  
12 million deportees (persons expelled) a year  
4 billion unprotected from human rights abuses  
Human rights: 45% violated  
14 million permanently unsettled refugees  
25 million emigrants/immigrants p.a.  
154 countries not controlled by popular votes  
2.8 billion disenfranchised (no control by vote; 54% of world)  
1,035 million illiterate/nonliterate adults (29%)  
880 million orate (nonreader) adults unable to read or write (25%)  
9 million more illiterate adults p.a.  
250 million with language handicaps  
3.7 billion without political freedom  
1,307 million in religious countries  
1,579 million in secular countries  
1,488 million under atheistic regimes  
400 million under oppressive regimes  
70 million under racist regimes  
2.5 billion women denied full rights and equality  
1 billion victims of corruption  
750 million uneducated (no past schooling)  
1.5 billion school-age children (ages 5-19)  
1.0 billion with little or no access to schools (67% of those eligible)  
620 million school-agers not in schools  
360 million with no access to schools (24%)  
24 million children reach school age p.a.  
41% without access to electricity  
43% without telephone access  
67% without radio or TV  
100 million prisoners in 12-month period  
4 million political prisoners  
1 million prisoners due to religion  
800,000 prisoners of conscience  
2.6 billion denied freedom of religion  
4.2 billion denied full political freedom and civil rights  
2 billion in countries frequently employing torture  
100,000 prisoners being tortured  
130 million citizens killed by own

governments since 1900  
1,692,400 political executions, 1948-1977  
40,000 executed by governments each year  
32 million slaves (bought and sold, including bonded labor, involuntary servitude)  
500 million victims of crime p.a.  
850,000 murders a year  
5 million child victims of pedophile racketeers p.a.  
22 million child-abuse incidents p.a.  
200 million persons abused in childhood

**FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS**  
3 billion denied freedom to travel in own country  
4 billion denied freedom to travel abroad  
3 billion denied freedom to assemble  
3.5 billion denied freedom to teach ideas

**DISASTERS AND DESERTIFICATION**  
1 million more desertification victims a year  
10 million environmental refugees  
850 million at risk through desertification  
1,500 major earthquakes, 1900-1985, killing 1.8 million  
80,000 earthquake victims (deaths) a year  
350 major floods, 1960-1981, killing 175,000  
10,000 flood victims (deaths) a year  
210 major cyclones, 1960-1981, killing 536,000  
250,000 environmental disaster victims p.a.  
1 million poisoned by pesticides p.a.  
625 million live in areas with unhealthy air  
25,000 pollution deaths a day  
1 million killed in man-made disasters p.a.  
Traffic deaths 3 persons per 100 million vehicle miles

**ILLNESS/DISEASE**  
42 million legally blind  
28 million totally blind (nonsighted)  
18 million with river blindness (85 million at risk)  
320 million partially deaf (hearing-impaired)  
130 million severely deaf  
20 million totally deaf  
10 million dumb (deaf-mutes)  
10 million with dracunculiasis  
13 million leprosy sufferers (lopers)  
60 million diabetics  
400 million new malaria cases p.a.  
2.8 billion live at risk of malaria  
5 million malaria deaths p.a.  
270 million with elephantiasis  
200 million with schistosomiasis (600 million at risk)

9 million with Parkinson's disease  
10 million with tuberculosis (TB: 3 million deaths p.a.)  
465 million iron-deficiency anaemic women  
100 million with chemosensory (taste and smell) disorders  
50,000 organ transplants a year  
3,000 heart transplants a year  
60,000 awaiting organ donors  
51 million psychotics  
10 million schizophrenics  
950 million psychoneurotics  
300 million arthritics  
900 million experiencing chronic pain  
1.6 billion disabled (handicapped)  
340 million handicapped children  
85 million severely handicapped children  
3 million dwarfs (little people)  
2 billion sick/ill persons (30% children)  
2.8 million children die p.a. from vaccine-preventable diseases  
6 infectious diseases kill 4 million unimmunized children p.a.  
4 billion persons not immunized  
5 million diarrheal deaths of children under 5 p.a.  
4 million children die of pneumonia p.a.  
22 million prostitutes (9% male)  
60 million AIDS carriers (annual growth rate 100%)  
3 million AIDS cases  
400,000 AIDS-related deaths a year  
401,000 suicides a year  
650 million tobacco smokers  
2.6 million tobacco-related deaths p.a.  
170 million alcoholics  
55 million drug addicts (illicit drug users)  
Leading causes of 50.5 million deaths p.a.:  
Parasitic diseases 16.8 million  
Circulatory diseases 13.3 million  
Cancer 4.3 million  
Perinatal diseases 3.3 billion  
Injury and poisoning 2.7 million  
Cardiovascular disease  
All other causes 10.5 million  
130 million mentally-retarded  
220,000 Downs-syndrome (mongol) births p.a.  
26 million epileptics  
260,000 hemophiliacs (all males)  
450,000 albinos (homozygous persons)  
100 million albino-gene carriers

**FINANCE**  
Money needed to provide those in poverty with adequate food, water, education, health: \$500 billion p.a.