

#### IV. THE APOSTLE, HIS SENDER AND HIS MESSAGE

... and apostleship for obedience to the faith among all nations. Romans 1:5b

*“1 For this reason I, Paul, the prisoner of Christ Jesus for you Gentiles—*

*2 if indeed you have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which was given to me for you,*

*3 how that by revelation He made known to me the mystery (as I have briefly written already,*

*4 by which, when you read, you may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ),*

*5 which in other ages was not made known to the sons of men, as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to His holy apostles and prophets:*

*6 that the Gentiles should be fellow heirs, of the same body, and partakers of His promise in Christ through the gospel, 7 of which I became a minister according to the gift of the grace of God given to me by the effective working of His power.*

*8 To me, who am less than the least of all the saints, this grace was given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ,”* Ephesians 3:1-8

Who are the Gentiles for you today?

Look and see, where are they?

#### **TAKING THE NAME TO THE NATIONS**

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We must make His last command our first priority!

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**Serving The Nations**

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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 2019 Global Missions Focus is “TAKING THE NAME TO THE NATIONS”.**

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Luke 24:47

##### **C. In TAKING THE NAME TO THE NATIONS, we will be challenged to go take the name of Jesus to all nations. This six part series features the following messages:**

July 7	Preaching To The Nations
July 14	Sending Missionaries To The Nations
July 21	Praying For The Nations
TODAY	Serving The Nations
Aug 4	Discipling The Nations
Aug 11	Loving The Nations

##### **D. Text: Romans 1:5 (Pew Bible/Page 1104/New Test.)**

## SERVING THE NATIONS

Readings from Psalm 96

*“Oh, sing to the Lord a new song! Sing to the Lord, all the earth.*

*2 Sing to the Lord, bless His name; Proclaim the good news of His salvation from day to day.*

*3 Declare His glory among the nations, His wonders among all peoples. ...*

*7 Give to the Lord, O families of the peoples, Give to the Lord glory and strength.*

*8 Give to the Lord the glory due His name; Bring an offering, and come into His courts.*

*9 Oh, worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness! Tremble before Him, all the earth.”*

*“Through Him we have received grace and apostleship or obedience to the faith among all nations for His name,”*

Romans 1:5

### I. **WHY** DID PAUL WRITE THIS VERSE?

A. Paul the Apostle to Nations (Gentiles).

*“from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named,”*  
Ephesians 3:15

B. The serious claim: Gentiles and circumcision are equal.

*“ 9 tribulation and anguish, on every soul of man who does evil, of the Jew first and also of the Greek;  
10 but glory, honor, and peace to everyone who works what is good, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.*

*11 For there is no partiality with God.”*

Romans 2:9-11

C. All sinners need justification by faith alone.

*“22 even the righteousness of God, through faith in Jesus Christ, to all and on all who believe. For there is no difference;*

*23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,”*  
Romans 3:22-23

### II. PAUL’S **EXPERIENCE**

*“15 But the Lord said to him, “Go, for he is a chosen vessel of Mine to bear My name before Gentiles, kings, and the children of Israel.*

*16 For I will show him how many things he must suffer for My name’s sake.”*  
Acts 9:15-16

*“25 Then Barnabas departed for Tarsus to seek Saul.*

*26 And when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. So it was that for a whole year they assembled with the church and taught a great many people. And the disciples were first called Christians in Antioch.”*  
Acts 11:25-26

### III. **SALVATION** COMES THROUGH JESUS ALONE, FOR HIS SAKE ALONE, BY HIS GRACE ALONE

*“Through Him we have received grace and apostleship for obedience to the faith among all nations for His name, “*

Romans 1:5

*“But by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace toward me was not in vain; but I labored more abundantly than they all, yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me.”*  
I Corinthians 15:10