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The Origin of ICA National Coalitions

Apostle Mel Mullen sensed that God wanted to do something significant in his home nation of Canada. Having participated in apostolic ministry throughout his nation for a number of years making numerous connections, Mullen knew it was time to act.

In 2009 Mel began connecting apostles in Canada addressing the specific needs of his nation. Working closely with Apostle John Kelly and Peter Wagner, he assembled Canadian leaders much like ICA had been doing for a number of years in the United States. Unknowingly, Mullen and the Canadian Coalition of Apostles were creating a model that other nations around the world could follow.

Meanwhile, Apostle John Macknamara had a similar vision for his nation of Australia. Since joining ICA and observing its function, he desired to create similar apostolic connections for his country. He then organized a gathering of apostles from around Australia in 2009 and invited Dr. C. Peter Wagner to address the group.

Six months later, Macknamara invited Mark Pfeifer to address the same body of Australian apostles and add substance to the vision that was earlier cast by Wagner. Before the second gathering, an Executive Committee was selected from those who participated in the previous year's meeting. Mark met with this group and began formulating the foundation for the Australian Coalition of Apostles.

With the knowledge gained from Mel Mullen's experiences in Canada and seeing the emerging coalition of apostles in Australia, a foundational document was created called the *ICA National Coalition Charter*. Drafted originally for the Australian Coalition, this document was later redrafted to serve as a foundational blueprint for other nations to follow, creating part of the manuscript you are now reading.

Thanks to pioneers like John Macknamara in Australia and Mel Mullen in Canada working with leaders like John Kelly, Peter Wagner and Mark Pfeifer, there is a model being created that other nations around the world can follow in creating their own *National Coalitions*. This model will allow the apostles of every nation to network together for the good of their homeland while being connected to a larger body of apostles worldwide. This emerging model is outlined in this document

The Biblical Model for National Coalitions...

The Biblical model for apostolic ministry is seen in the ministry of the Apostle Paul as he established and strengthens indigenous leaders to pilot the church.



Paul's first Tour of Duty: Paul was sent from the Church of Antioch in **Acts 13**. His apostolic travels took him from the Island of Cyprus northward into the highlands of Galatia. These were descendants of the people from Gaul (modern day France) and because of this, they had developed their own unique culture.

After establishing churches in this region, Paul handed over the leadership of these churches to indigenous leaders. In **Acts 14:23** it says, *"So when they had appointed elders in every church, and prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord in whom they had believed."* He understood that in order for the church to maximize its effectiveness in that region, it had to be led by leaders who were familiar with the culture.

Paul's Second Tour of Duty: The mass conversion of Gentiles in the early church put a strain upon it. The Jerusalem Council was convened in **Acts 15** to discuss the issues pertaining to Jewish Law and Christian lifestyle. After the meeting, Paul and Silas set out to deliver the agreed upon mandates to the new, Gentile believers.



After visiting the churches in Galatia, Paul's apostolic team travelled westward across Asia (modern day Turkey). When they came to the western shore of Asia, Paul had a vision at night of a man in Macedonia saying, "Come over and help us." Immediately, they embarked on their Macedonian campaign.

It is important to note that Paul's vision was of an indigenous man which also included an invitation from this individual to come to his land. Upon entering that region, Paul was careful to appoint local leadership in the churches he established. Later, while Paul was in Corinth waiting to hear news of how the churches were doing after his departure, Titus reported that they were strong and their local leaders were doing great (see **II Corinthians 7:6**)! Like before, using indigenous leaders to guide the church, even though they were not saved for a very long time, was an effective apostolic strategy for Paul.



Paul's Third Tour of Duty: Paul's third trip took him back to Asia, the land where the Holy Spirit had previously forbid him to preach (**Acts 16:6**). This time, Paul spent the next 2 years ministering in the city of Ephesus. From there, *"all who dwelt in Asia heard the word of the Lord Jesus, both Jews and Greeks (Acts 19:10)."*

It is safe to assume that the seven churches to which Jesus spoke in the 2nd and 3rd Chapters of the Book of Revelation were founded by people who had experienced Paul's ministry during his time in Ephesus. With this in mind, we see again how Paul used indigenous leaders to oversee the churches in their nation. In fact, this was precisely what he told Titus to do in **Titus 1:5** when he said to his son in the faith, *"For this reason I left you in Crete, that you should set in order the things that are lacking, and appoint elders in every city as I commanded you."* Only a

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fellow-Cretan could possess the necessary skills to build the Church of Jesus Christ on that unique, little island.

Without doubt, the apostolic pattern that Paul left the church was to establish indigenous leadership within regional churches and allow them the autonomy to affect their culture as each, individual group saw fit. This is the Biblical model that ICA is using to build up *National Coalitions* around the world.

Modern Trends that Create the Need for National Coalitions...

Because of an increase in nationalism and a negative view of colonialism around the world, we will see apostolic alignments become more and more geographic in nature!

Nationalism is the sense of pride that one has for his or her own nation. Millions of people around the world are embracing an identity apart from the geopolitical associations previously formed with other nations. A sense of pride in their own ethnic and cultural origin drives them towards independence. After the breakup of the Soviet Union, for example, many nations who were once a part of the Soviet Union broke free and formed independent states. The same thing has been happening with the British Empire for decades.

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To a large degree, an increase in nationalism is a result of contemporary attitudes towards colonialism. Starting in the Fifteenth century as shipbuilding and navigation technologies increased, smaller, less advanced nations were colonized by the larger nations of Europe. These underdeveloped nations are seen today as having been exploited by these Western giants. As they were absorbed into ambitiously growing empires, many nations and people groups lost much of their ethnic and cultural distinction. This is considered an abomination by many modern historians.

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The backlash of these contemporary attitudes is having profound effect upon the foreign outreach strategies of the church in the West. Since the major religion of the colonizing nations of Western Europe was Christianity, the association between Christian missionaries and colonialism is strong. The attempt of imposing one's culture (including religion) upon another appears to be cultural insensitive and condescending. A foreigner trying to teach people of another nation what gods they should worship and how they should live is considered another form of colonialism.

ICA's Perspective on the Nations of the Earth...

ICA must work with apostles in every nation, understanding that indigenous leaders hold keys that will extend the blessings of the Kingdom of God in their respective nations.

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The hope of any nation is found within the borders of that nation. Since apostles exist in every nation, (whether they use that title or not), it is a fundamental strategy of ICA to find these leaders and serve them in efforts to connect them with other apostles in their nation for the purpose of extending the blessings of the Kingdom of God to their citizenry. When the apostles of any country synergize their efforts, Kingdom order is established and its benefits experienced by many.

The Purpose of ICA National Coalitions...

ICA National Coalitions are established in the nations of the earth to provide a platform for apostolic alliances that will expand the Kingdom of God uniquely in every nation.

ICA has been a worldwide forum for apostolic connection since its inception in 1999. It has been a source of encouragement, enlightenment and advancement for thousands of apostles around the world. Now, in order to meet the specific needs existing in each nation, this vision must be extended and customized to serve the explicit needs of the apostolate that exists in each nation. In other words, every nation needs its own coalition of apostles in order to meet the unique challenges that exist within it.

Instead of depending upon foreigners, ICA understands the need to empower indigenous leaders to accomplish the task of connecting apostles in their own nations. These apostolic leaders, in most cases, will be accepted by the people they serve easier than a foreigner would. With a natural repugnance and distrust of outsiders, the advancement strategies of the Kingdom are better accomplished by people living within the borders of a nation.

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By establishing *National Coalitions* around the world, ICA can expand its platform for apostolic connection to thousands of leaders while at the same time customizing it to meet the needs of individual countries.

ICA recognizes the importance of apostles laboring in their own nations. We desire to empower them to create key alliances and form unique strategies to meet the needs of their own population. This is a necessary step for the work of the Kingdom of God to move forward in the 21st Century and to assure the viability of ICA in the future.

The Challenge of Forming National Coalitions...

Historically, Christian leaders have not always worked well together. This problem knows no geographical boundaries as division among leaders is seen in almost every nation of the world.

Here are some of the challenges in forming *National Coalitions* worldwide:

- **Pride:** Simply put, pride stands in the way of harmony. Pride describes the belief that one’s own ministry is more important or more “blessed” by God than others. A person thinking this way believes what he/she is doing is the most important work being done. Sometimes, as they see it, what they are doing is right while everyone else is doing it wrong.

- **Insecurity:** Insecure people have a tendency to gravitate towards extremes. Either they shy away from fellowship or try to dominate it. This hinders unity as balance in such matters is needed for people to work together for a common purpose.
- **Suspicion:** Trust is an essential quality of fellowship. It is also an investment; a conscious risk for the possibility of increased return. This is necessary in building relationships that will move the Kingdom of God forward. Suspicion destroys this process.
- **Jealousy:** This is the resentment that exists in a person's heart when another individual receives a blessing or achieves a goal for which the jealous person believes they are more qualified or deserving. Jealousy is one of the main deterrents to unity in the Body of Christ.
- **Selfish Ambition:** While ambition is needed for achievement, selfish ambition describes the person who is motivated to do something for their own benefit only. Selfish ambition is tested when desired goals are reached by someone other than the person who is ambitious to achieve them, even when it benefits the Kingdom.
- **Competition:** This describes the person who practices one-upmanship with his/her peers. It is an insatiable desire to compare one's own achievements with those of another. The hope in making such comparisons is the desire for superiority. When this motive drives a person's agenda, division and devastation will ultimately result.
- **Immaturity:** Most of the things listed thus far are signs of spiritual immaturity. Unity is hindered by leaders whose gifts have put them in positions that their character cannot keep. This is the case in many cultures where talent and celebrity are valued above character. Individuals are inevitably promoted in this environment based upon talent instead of maturity.
- **Independence:** This is the belief that a person needs help from no one else to succeed and can do the work of the Kingdom of God on their own. This, of course, is inaccurate.
- **Fear:** This is at the root of many attitudes that destroy unity. Fear of what a leader might lose drives many to isolation; losing a position, prestige, significance, congregants, fame, power, etc. Fear must be replaced by humility and love. When it is, a person will find great joy and satisfaction in the achievements of the team.



The Power of Agreement...

Leaders must remember that individual results are increased exponentially by the power of agreement according to Matthew 18:19.

When apostles come together for the purpose of blessing their nation, everybody wins! Individual achievements are not minimized in such an environment, they are maximized. Consider what God told Israel in **Leviticus 26:8**, “*And five of you shall chase an hundred, and an hundred of you shall put ten thousand to flight: and your enemies shall fall before you by the sword.*” Notice that the ability of God's people to defeat the enemy is in direct proportion to their willingness to work together.

The exponential power of this type of agreement is again mentioned in **Deuteronomy 32:30** where God said, “*How should one chase a thousand, and two put ten thousand to flight, except their Rock had sold them, and the LORD had shut them up?*” God's help is herein enacted by the ability of His people to

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combine their efforts to defeat the enemy by the proliferating power of agreement. This should be the heart and desire for all God's leaders.



Take pulling horses for example. The concept of teamwork can be illustrated by their ability to multiply their effectiveness in pulling together. If one horse can pull 4,000 pounds and another horse can pull 5,000 pounds, how much weight will they pull if yoked together? The answer may surprise you. While logic might say that they can pull 1,500 pounds together, the two-horse team will pull their own weight plus the weight of their interaction. Therefore, yoked together, the horses can pull 13000 pounds!

Apostles working together to fulfill God's purpose for their nation will create synergy that will exponentially increase the effectiveness of individual efforts. *National Coalitions* give leaders the opportunity to achieve these types of results as they build together.

"For we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, you are God's building. According to the grace of God which was given to me, as a wise master builder I have laid the foundation, and another builds on it. But let each one take heed how he builds on it."

I Corinthians 3:9-19

Why Creating National Coalitions in the Nations Makes Sense...

On many levels, National Coalitions make sense. Not only do they pass the Biblical test but they also pass the practical test which makes them the next logical next step in advancing ICA

Here are some of the ways in which the creation of *National Coalitions* in your nation makes sense:

- **Geopolitical Level** : While entering into a nation is sometimes difficult, if not impossible, for foreigners, nationals are already in place doing the work of the Kingdom of God. *National Coalitions* can instantly traverse any national border by recognizing these leaders.
- **Practical Level** : It is practically impossible for ICA leaders to travel long distances and strengthen its members in foreign nations with any consistency. It is much more practical for ICA to recognize leaders in those nations and empower them to create their own coalitions of apostles.
- **Structural Level** : Growth necessitates an increase in governmental structure (wineskin). The vision of ICA as a global fellowship of affiliated apostles must include forming national coalitions in order to achieve our goals.
- **Philosophical Level** : ICA's mission is to help apostles increase the measures of influence they have within their defined spheres. For those apostles defined by geographical boundaries, creating *National Coalitions* is necessary to facilitate this mission.
- **Spiritual Level** : Apostles who are defined by their geographical spheres have greater authority within those spheres than outsiders. ICA recognizes this and desires to work alongside these apostles as they are empowered to create or become a part of their own *National Coalition*.

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- **Financial Level** : It costs less to assemble apostles within the borders of their own nation than it does for them to travel internationally and experience the benefits of ICA membership elsewhere. This is why creating coalitions of apostles within the nations is so important.
- **Relational Level** : It's easier to build a relationship with people who are geographically close to you than it is to build a genuine relationship with people in distant places. *National Coalitions* can fill this gap.
- **Cultural Level** : The work of the Kingdom of God is best achieved in the nations of the earth by nationals than by foreigners.

How National Coalitions Can Help Solve Problems with the Apostolic Movement in the Nations...

The Apostolic Movement needs credibility and accountability worldwide. National Coalitions will help facilitate this by establishing a national apostolate where members can know those that labor among them (see: I Thessalonians 5:12).

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One problem that has plagued the apostolic movement is a lack of credibility. This is often the result of a lack of true accountability. A person using titles such as prophet and apostle without displaying the necessary gifts and skills of the position creates confusion in the Body of Christ. A disregard of proper protocol in bestowing these titles along with the unethical practices of people calling themselves apostles and prophets has caused much harm. Whether this is done through rebellion or the result of ignorance, these inconsistencies must be addressed in order to maintain international legitimacy.

Where there is a lack of accountability, illegitimacy reigns. The types of problems described above grow unabated in such an environment. A universal acceptance of Biblical standards is needed in order to stop the influence of illegitimate apostles and reveal the genuine apostolate in the nations of the earth.

Jesus commended the Church of Ephesus for testing those who called themselves apostles but were not (**Revelation 2:2**). In order for the apostolic movement to advance with integrity and effectiveness, this pattern must be followed. Authentic apostles need to know one another, trust one another and work with one another with humility and confidence in order to fulfill Christ's mandate for making disciples of the nations of the earth. This connectivity will create such an authentic apostolic function that counterfeit apostles will be more easily exposed and segregated. In many ways, ICA, as an international fellowship, is equipped to help make this happen.

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Screening potential members for legitimacy and connecting existing members with peer-level accountability, ICA can maintain a structure that will help bring legitimacy to the apostolic movement worldwide. Members of *National Coalitions* will recognize valid apostles in their nation while the members, themselves, will be affirmed by the International Coalition of Apostles. Having a structured

wineskin such as this will go a long way in assuring the credibility of the New Apostolic Reformation around the world for years to come.

The Operating Procedures of National Coalitions...

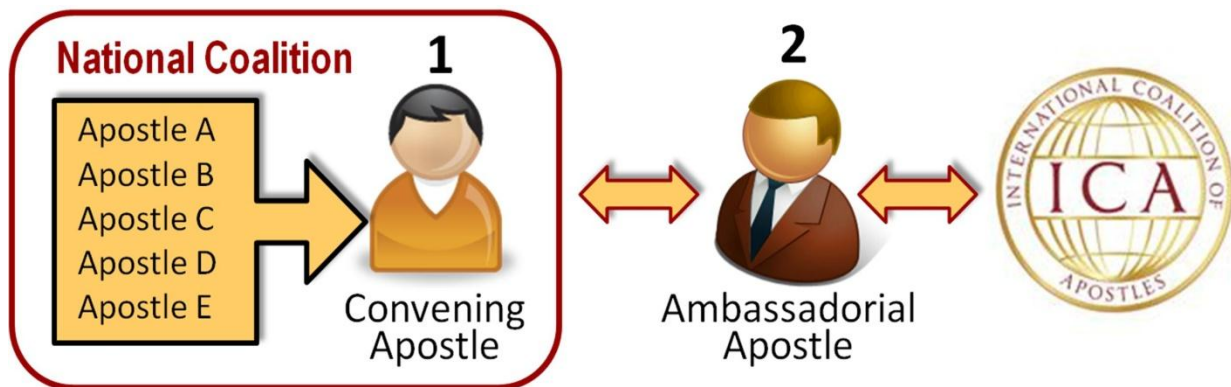
National Coalitions will maintain their own membership under the ICA umbrella while enlisting the services of two main leaders – the Convening Apostle and the Ambassadorial Apostle.

National Coalitions are autonomous. They maintain their own membership, schedule their own calendar of events and create their own strategies for serving the needs of the people within their respective nations. Since every situation is different, it is important to allow each *National Coalition* to develop at its own pace in a way that best suits the context of the nation in which it exists.

“National Coalitions are autonomous.”

Every *National Coalition* will be served by a **Convening Apostle**. This person will be responsible to serve the group by facilitating and moderating gatherings, overseeing administrative functions and duties, representing ICA in their nation and representing their *National Coalition* at ICA’s annual international conference. The Convening Apostle must be indigenous to that nation and spend a majority of their time there.

National Coalitions and the Convening Apostle will be served by an **ICA Ambassadorial Apostle**. This person’s role is to serve the *National Coalition* and Convening Apostle as an intermediary between them and ICA’s Presiding Apostle and Apostolic Council. They may be from any nation but must have a comprehensive understanding of the nation they serve and make, at minimum, one visit per year to that nation.



The above model shows the relationship that ICA Convening Apostles (1) and Ambassadorial Apostles (2) have with one another, their National Coalition and ICA. The Ambassadorial Apostle represents ICA to the Convening Apostle and the National Coalition. The Convening Apostle assembles the coalition of apostles in their nation.

The General Qualifications for ICA Ambassadorial Apostles and Convening Apostles...

The two key individuals in the structure of National Coalitions are the Convening Apostle and the Ambassadorial Apostle. The success of the vision rests upon them.



#1: The Convening Apostle: The Convening Apostle is an indigenous apostle who will serve his/her nation and the apostles therein by facilitating the functioning of the *National Coalition*. They must hold membership in ICA and stay connected with the international body and with the designated ICA Ambassadorial Apostle. Here is a list of general qualifications:

- **Holds the Key:** More than any other link in the chain, the Convening Apostle holds the key for a successful *National Coalition*. They are the point person living in the nation that will be the centerpiece of the coalition and the face of ICA to its members. The selection of this person is the most important step in the process.
- **Horizontally Capable:** Although this person might be a Vertical Apostle to some, they must be able to function horizontally with respect to their duties in serving the *National Coalition*. They must understand the limits of their authority within their convening role. They are not appointed as an apostle over their nation nor are they to practice a dictatorial attitude with regard to the members of their coalition. They are the first among equals and a servant to all.
- **Connector:** This person must have the necessary gifts that bring people together to form genuine relationships. They must be a “*people person*.” This type of person seems to know everyone and is always asking, “Do you know so-and-so?” These are traits of a connector.
- **Proven Track Record:** There must be evidence of this person’s ability to gather leaders. It is important for them to have the type of gifts, skills and personality that make other leaders invest confidence in them as they convene the *National Coalition* in the name of ICA.
- **Servant-minded:** They must have a mind to serve the greater needs of their nation in their position as Convening Apostle. Any other mind than that of a servant will shipwreck the operation.
- **Respected:** This person must have the respect of the leaders they serve. Respect, being “*the state of being admired deferentially*” (Encarta Dictionary), must be earned by the Convening Apostle in order for the group to move forward and implement apostolic strategies to grow the coalition and bless the nation.
- **Heart for Nation:** The Convening Apostle must be driven by a passion for their nation and not a need to be needed, to be in charge or to have human recognition. They must be humble. Ultimately, the nations belong to Jesus and the job of an apostle is to extend His Kingdom rule through the activity of the church, bringing the blessings of heaven to the earth. This motive must be at the root of all the activities of *National Coalitions* wherever they are functioning.



#2: The Ambassadorial Apostle: The Ambassadorial Apostle will be assigned to a Convening Apostle and a *National Coalition*. This person must be a member of ICA in good standing, have a thorough understanding of the nation and a working relationship with the Convening Apostle they serve. They will be the face of ICA to the nation and, therefore, must be fully aligned and committed to the purposes, policies and vision of the Presiding Apostle and the Apostolic Council of ICA.

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Here is a list of further qualifications of the Ambassadorial Apostle:

- **Carries Heart and Mind of ICA:** The Ambassadorial Apostle must carry the heart of ICA to his/her assigned nation. They must be unmistakably familiar with the policies, procedures and opinions of ICA as an organization and be able to express them to the Convening Apostle and *National Coalition* membership at any given time.
- **Commissioned Apostle:** The apostolicity of ICA Ambassadorial Apostles must be validated by their apostolic commissioning and track record. Adequate testimony of both must come from the apostolic person (people) with whom the Ambassadorial Apostle is aligned and accountable in order to be considered legitimate.
- **Participate in ICA Yearly Training:** ICA will offer on-going training for all Convening and Ambassadorial Apostles. This training will be held during the week of ICA's international conference and is mandatory for all ICA Ambassadorial Apostles and strongly recommended for all ICA Convening Apostles.
- **Cultural Sensitivity:** This person must have an understanding of the nation's culture and know how to function within that culture in a sensitive manner as to not offend the people they are trying to serve.
- **Servant-minded:** As earlier stated concerning the Convening Apostle, Ambassadorial Apostles ARE NOT apostles over any nation. They are servants appointed by ICA to help meet the needs of the Convening Apostle and the members of the *National Coalition* as they strengthen these relationships for the purpose of blessing the nation they serve.
- **Influence in Nation:** The Ambassadorial Apostle should have a degree of influence within the nation to which they are assigned. As they continue to serve the Convening Apostle and the coalition, their influence should increase.
- **Represent ICA:** The Ambassadorial Apostle should always remember that they represent ICA in their mission. This assignment should not be looked upon as an opportunity to build one's own ministry and popularity within a nation.
- **Heart for Nation:** This person should have a heart for the nation to which they are appointed. Passion drives a person in the face of opposition and apparent failure. Along the way, Ambassadors should expect pitfalls and stumbling blocks as they do the work of the Kingdom of God against spiritual and human opposition.
- **Means of Travel:** Ambassadorial Apostles must travel at their own expense to the nation(s) they are appointed to serve. They must be able to schedule and finance these trips on their own.
- **Communication and Administrative Abilities:** Since much of the work of an Ambassadorial Apostle includes communicating the agendas of ICA and administrating said agendas, ambassadors must possess the necessary skills to communicate and implement ICA's vision for the *National Coalition*.



The Relationship Between ICA and its National Coalitions...

The relationship between ICA and its National Coalitions will function primarily through two connections: The association of the Convening Apostle and Ambassadorial Apostle and the acceptance into ICA membership those apostles affiliated with their National Coalition.

National Coalitions will maintain a relationship with ICA through membership. Each coalition will be officially sanctioned by ICA and included into international fellowship with other *National Coalitions* while the individual members of each coalition will automatically be given full membership to ICA.

National Coalitions must agree and operate in harmony with all publically stated beliefs, policies and purposes of ICA, most of which is documented on the ICA website (www.coalitionofapostles.com).

National Coalitions will be autonomous and empowered by ICA to generate strategies and procedures that are customized to fit the unique needs of their nation with the agreement of the Convening and Ambassadorial Apostle. These strategies and procedures should not conflict with aforementioned publically stated mission, vision, purposes and Biblical principles of ICA.



Yearly dues should be paid by the members of *National Coalitions* for the purpose of financing the administrative activities of the coalition of their nation. A portion of these dues should be sent to ICA's international office in the United States. The amount of membership dues and percentage sent to ICA's office will be the decision of the Convening Apostle with their National Advisory Council (if any) with the recommendation of the Ambassadorial Apostle. Fees will be based upon the economy of each nation and will, therefore, vary from nation to nation.

ICA will help serve *National Coalitions* by recommending strategies and sending, upon request, qualified ICA members to visit the nation for the purpose of establishing and strengthening their coalition.

How Qualified Apostles Can Start a National Coalition...

If you are an ICA member and want to be considered for a Convening role in your nation OR an Ambassadorial role to a particular nation, please let us know!

There are forms available on the ICA website that you can fill out and submit for consideration (www.coalitionofapostles.com). Once ICA receives these forms, your request will be screened by a selection committee appointed by the ICA Convening Apostle and Apostolic Council.

Contact Information...

If you have any questions or comments regarding *National Coalitions*, please contact the ICA's appointed Council Member for National Coalitions, Mark Pfeifer, at mark@somafamily.com. Thank you!



[NAME OF YOUR NATION] COALITION OF APOSTLES

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SECTION ONE

Introduction

According to Dr. C. Peter Wagner, the *Second Apostolic Age* (also known as the *New Apostolic Reformation*) began roughly in 2001. This move of God heralded the most radical change in church government since the Protestant Reformation. Churches who have embraced the Second Apostolic Age are part of the fastest growing segment of non-Catholic Christianity on the earth today. They are also the only segment of world Christianity growing faster than Islam!

The **International Coalition of Apostles (ICA)** and its **National Coalitions** are expressions of the New Apostolic Reformation.

The **NAME OF YOUR NATION Coalition of Apostles** (henceforth referred to as the **National Coalition** in this document) is an affiliate of the ICA working exclusively in the nation of **NAME OF YOUR NATION**. We position ourselves in the evangelical theological stream of Protestant Christianity. Both adhere to the Apostles' Creed and the core doctrines of the Protestant Reformation, namely the ultimate and essential authority of the Scriptures for Christian faith and practice, justification by faith, and the priesthood of all believers. We believe that God is Father, Son and Holy Spirit, that Jesus was born of a virgin, that He was physically raised from the dead and that an individual's personal relationship to Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior determines that individual's eternal destiny in heaven or hell. The fulfillment of Jesus' great commission to make disciples of all nations is central to our focus.

ICA is currently the largest professional society of apostles in the world with active members who pay dues, attend annual meetings, connect with each other, and provide mutual support and accountability.

SECTION TWO

Our Origin of ICA and this National Affiliate

In compliance with scriptures such as **Ephesians 4:11**, **Ephesians 2:20** and **1 Corinthians 12:28**, the office of apostle began to be established and recognized by an increasingly wider spectrum of the body of Christ during the 1990s. Given the worldwide multiplication of individuals recognized by other Christian leaders as apostles, a strong desire was expressed by many to relate, in some structured way, to peer-level apostles in their own nations and internationally.

The International Coalition of Apostles was conceived by a group of apostles who gathered informally in Singapore in 1999 to fulfill the desire of connecting in this aforementioned manner. Apostle John P. Kelly agreed to establish an office in Dallas, Texas, to organize a leadership council and to begin inviting

apostles to join ICA from around the world. He then asked C. Peter Wagner to assume overall leadership of ICA as Presiding Apostle which he did until 2010 when leadership was given back to Apostle Kelly.

WRITE A BREIF SUMMARY HERE OF HOW YOUR NATIONAL AFFILIATE OF ICA WAS ORGINALLY FORMED.

SECTION THREE

Our Identity

I. What is an apostle? The National Coalition recognizes the ICA definition of an apostle and uses it for our recognition of membership:

"An apostle is a Christian leader gifted, taught, and commissioned by God with the authority to establish the foundational government of the church within an assigned sphere of ministry by hearing what the Spirit is saying to the churches and by setting things in order accordingly for the extension of the kingdom of God."

II. Our Core Values:

A. We value the Bible as a means of direction for the church. Therefore, we the recognize ministry of apostles and seek to promote and enhance their ministry within the Body of Christ for our nation.

B. We value unity within the Body of Christ.

C. We value the relationships that are built among peer-level apostles and believe that a unique dynamic emerges when such leaders unite together for worship, ministry and prayer.

D. We value humility which is necessary for unity.

E. We value accountability among leaders in the church.

F. We value the purity and integrity of the apostolic office and desire credibility be given to it in our nation.

G. We value strategies for particular times and seasons as revealed by the Holy Spirit and affirm the responsibility of the apostle to carry them out.

H. We value our nation and believe we have a Biblical mandate of aligning it with Biblical godliness.

II. Our Vision - What?

*"The Vision of **NAME OF YOUR NATION Coalition of Apostles** is to establish a broad network of apostles across our nation to work together for the purpose of advancing God's Kingdom and aligning our nation with godliness."*

III. Our Mission - How?

We plan to complete our vision by doing the following:

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- A. We shall create a membership of apostles across our nation.
- B. We shall network these people for greater strategic impact on our nation.
- C. We shall have periodic gatherings of our membership for the purpose of revelation, impartation, instruction and networking.
- D. We shall recognize legitimate apostles in our nation and provide a place of accountability for them.
- E. We shall provide structured and meaningful opportunities for peer-level apostles, representing both the nuclear church and the extended church (workplace), to meet each other, build relationships, and interact with each other on regional, national, and international levels
- F. We shall develop communication vehicles to facilitate interaction among apostles, apostolic networks, and apostolic ministries.
- G. We shall provide a catalyst and help stimulate the development of creative strategies for combining apostolic strategies with prophetic revelation on a national basis in order to fulfill Jesus' great commission in our nation.
- H. We shall maintain the highest possible standards of integrity of personal character and operational methodology among our member.

IV. Our Purpose - Why?

"NAME OF YOUR NATION Coalition of Apostles exists to help facilitate the work of the Kingdom of God in our nation by recognizing, encouraging and facilitating the ministries of apostles."

SECTION FOUR

Our Structure

I. Membership Qualifications:

- A. Membership in the National Coalition is attained only by official invitation from the Convening Apostle and National Council.
- B. Invitation to join requires nomination be made and seconded by any two current and active members of the National Coalition.
- C. Invitation to join also requires a written testimony from at least three people who look to the nominee as a person who provides apostolic leadership for them using the aforementioned ICA definition of an apostle.
- D. Nominations are then processed by the National Council and decisions are made on a case-by-case basis as to whether an official invitation will be extended.

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E. All membership is strictly voluntary and shall be considered ongoing unless a person removes himself/herself from participation or is asked to withdraw by the National Council for reasons outlined herein or by lack of participation and support of the National Coalition.

F. All application forms must be completed along with a yearly payment of annual membership dues when a person is accepted for membership.

G. All members must agree with the ICA Statement of Faith set forth in this document.

H. All members will automatically become members of ICA after request for National Coalition Status has been granted by ICA.

I. Neither ICA nor the National Coalition are intended to be training grounds for would-be or “emerging” apostles, but rather it should be seen as a professional society in which confirmed apostles are able to relate to and connect with each other. Emerging apostles, however, are encouraged to have fellowship with the group corporately and/or with members individually while not holding full membership.

J. Since apostles minister in several different ways, we are open to “vertical apostles” (including ecclesiastical, functional, congregational, and team-member vertical apostles) and to “horizontal apostles” (including convening, ambassadorial, mobilizing, and territorial horizontal apostles).

K. An updated membership list from all the National Coalition shall be given to ICA on a yearly basis.

II. Dismissal from Membership

A. With **Matthew 18:15-20** as our basis of action, a member of the National Coalition may be dismissed from membership by the Convening Apostle with a recommendation from the National Council if the member is in violation of the conduct ascribed in scriptures pertaining to the character of leaders, has been accused by more than one party, given ample opportunity to speak in their defense before the National Council and has refused to repent.

B. If the members of the National Council witness true repentance, then said council shall deal with the offending member appropriately, after much prayer, according to the guidelines of **Galatians 6:1-5**.

C. Should a member be dismissed, such an order would be made public to the general membership of the National Coalition with notification also being sent to the ICA International Headquarters in the USA.

III. Membership Dues

A. The amount of yearly dues will be set by the Convening Apostle with recommendation from the National Council after a recommendation from the Ambassadorial Apostle of ICA.

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B. Any arrangements for financial remuneration to the ICA from a percentage of membership dues collected by the National Coalition will be determined by the Convening Apostle and their National Council with a recommendation from the Ambassadorial Apostle of ICA.

C. Collection of Membership Dues is to be determined by the Convening Apostle and the National Council with a recommendation from the Ambassadorial Apostle of ICA.

IV. Ambassadorial Apostle and Convening Apostle

A. National Coalitions will be assigned an Ambassadorial Apostle to represent ICA. The appointment of said apostle will be the responsibility of the Presiding Apostle of ICA with a recommendation of the Apostolic Council of ICA. This appointment will be reviewed annually. Requests to fill this position will be received from any ICA member.

B. ICA reserves the right to wave this position in its relationships with certain National Affiliates should the Presiding Apostles of ICA deem this position unnecessary in the functioning of the National Affiliate.

C. There may be more than one Ambassadorial Apostle and Convening Apostle assigned to a nation.

D. The Ambassadorial Apostle will represent ICA to the National Coalition to which they are assigned.

E. The Ambassadorial Apostle will maintain a personal relationship with the Convening Apostle and National Council of the nation to which they are assigned.

F. The Ambassadorial Apostle will travel at his/her own expense to the nation they are assigned at least once a year to preside over an annual meeting of the members of the National Coalition and/or to meet with the Convening Apostle and/or the National Council for encouragement and communication.

G. Ambassadorial Apostles may be recalled at any time by the Presiding Apostles of ICA with a recommendation of the ICA Apostolic Council.

H. The National Coalition will have a Convening Apostle who will be responsible to lead the organization. The original appointment of such will be affirmed by an Ambassadorial Apostle of ICA after consideration of said appointment has been entertained by ICA's Presiding Apostle.

I. The Convening Apostle of the National Coalition shall be a member of good standing in ICA and serve as the primary liaison to the international organization. The Convening Apostle shall maintain full membership in the ICA so long as they hold that office.

J. The Convening Apostle's duties shall include, but are not necessarily limited to, calling all meetings to order, providing leadership for the National Council, communicating necessary information to the membership and generally overseeing and providing primary leadership for the National Coalition.

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K. The Convening Apostle shall have the primary financial oversight of the National Coalition and shall be responsible for any and all financial activity within it. It shall be the responsibility of the Convening Apostle to insure financial accountability for all funds received by the National Coalition with yearly reports given to the National Council and to the ICA International Headquarters.

L. In the event that the Convening Apostle cannot fulfill his/her duties, an acting Convening Apostle shall assume the office and fulfill the duties of the Convening Apostle for a time no longer than six months unless special permission is received from the Ambassadorial Apostle of ICA. Appointment to said temporary office shall be the responsibility of the Ambassadorial Apostle.

M. Permanent appointments to the position of Convening Apostle after the initial Convening Apostle has stepped down or been removed will be the responsibility of the Ambassadorial Apostles with a recommendation from the National Council with final approval from the ICA Presiding Apostle.

N. The Convening Apostle shall be responsible to lead the National Council and will be the deciding voice with recommendation from the National Council when decision are called for in this document.

O. The Convening Apostle may serve as an Ambassadorial Apostle at the request of the ICA Presiding Apostle with a recommendation from the Apostolic Council should circumstances warrant.

P. Appointment of the Convening Apostle shall be reviewed annually by the ICA Presiding Apostle with a recommendation from the ICA Apostolic Council unless a person is otherwise removed by ICA with majority agreement from the National Council after due process described in this document concerning any moral failure, financial misgivings and/or doctrinal heresies that warrant such dismissal have been completed.

V. The National Council

A. The National Coalition shall be governed by the Convening Apostle with the National Council, the original selection of which will be the responsibility of the Convening Apostle.

B. Subsequent members of the National Council shall be appointed by the Convening Apostle with a recommendation from the existing National Council members.

C. The National Council will meet at least once a year for a business meeting. Records of these meetings should be kept.

D. The National Council shall consist of no less than three (3) and may include whatever number of members the Convening Apostle deems necessary to carry out their stated responsibilities.

E. Should there be disagreement among the members of the National Council occur when a decision is called for in this document, the Convening Apostle shall make the final decision.

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F. The qualifications of all members of the National Council shall include both gifts and character associated with the gift and office of apostle. The visible evidence of a person's apostolic gifting shall be considered using the definition of an apostle put forth by ICA (see above).

G. An appointment to the National Council will be for the term of one year unless otherwise expressed by the Convening Apostle at which time members of the National Council can accept an invitation from the Convening Apostle to serve another year.

H. With **Matthew 18:15-20** as our basis of action, a member of the National Council may be dismissed from office by the Convening Apostle with majority support of the remaining members of the National Council if they believe that the offending member is in violation of the conduct ascribed by scripture concerning character qualifications, has been accused by more than one party, given ample opportunity to speak in their defense before the National Council and has refused to repent.

I. If the members of the National Council witness true repentance, then said council will deal at their discretion with the offending member, after much prayer, according to the guidelines of **Galatians 6:1-5**.

J. Should a member of the National Council be dismissed, such an order would be made public to the membership of the National Coalition with notification being sent to the Ambassadorial Apostle and the ICA headquarters.

K. The National Council shall meet regularly unless advanced notice has been otherwise given that such a meeting has been either postponed or canceled. The members may also conduct a telephone meeting or take advantage of any electronic means to poll members of the National Council by means of a conference call, by individual phone calls or of another electronic means of communication for the purpose of soliciting opinions of the various members when a majority decision is called for in matters outlined in this document, so long as a legitimate attempt to reach all parties has been made, a thorough explanation of the issues discussed has been given and a majority decision has been reached. Any action taken by such telephonic means shall have the same force and effect as any action of the National Council, and a record of such meeting shall be made a part of the minutes of the National Council.

L. If any situation should arise where the Convening Apostle believes that the National Council cannot reach a decision, the ICA Ambassadorial Apostle will be invited by the Convening Apostle to intervene and make the final decision for the council. Such decisions will be considered final.

SECTION FIVE

Special Rules

I. Ordination and/or Commissioning

A. It must be understood that ICA and the National Coalition do not confer ordination or commissioning on a given apostle. Said organizations do not "make" an individual an apostle. Only those who have previously been recognized as having the gift and office of apostle are accepted as members.

B. Although ICA and the National Coalition may not be a primary accountability structure for everyone; membership does imply a degree of apostolic accountability. Every member is accountable, in the broad sense of the word, to all other members and to the organization itself. When reproach comes upon one, potentially that reproach can come upon all.

II. Property

A. The National Council shall have the authority to acquire, hold, own, sell, assign, transfer, mortgage, pledge or otherwise dispose of property, both real and personal. Title to all property, whether real or personal, acquired by the National Coalition, shall reside in its name.

B. Such transfer shall happen only when a majority of the National Council, after adequate discussion has taken place, agrees to the purchase of such property at an official meeting.

III. Fiscal Year

Our fiscal year shall begin on the first day of January in each year and shall end on the last day of December next following.

IV. Amendments

A. Any provision of this document may be amended by the Convening Apostle and a majority of the National Council provided that such an amendment shall be consistent with the applicable provisions of the ICA.

B. Each amendment shall take effect on the date that it was passed by the National Council and shall be made public to all members of the National Coalition.

C. Any and all articles in this document are considered guidelines for the operation of the National Coalition. The National Council reserves the right, in accordance with the guidance of the Holy Spirit as witnessed by a majority of the National Council, to set aside and even wave certain of these articles when necessary so long as such an action would not violate any legal provisions in the nation in which the National Coalition operates.

V. Indemnification

A. To the fullest extent not prohibited by applicable law, ICA and the National Coalition shall indemnify each person, who, by reason of being or having been an officer, a member of the National Council and evidenced by a majority of members, against any and all costs and expenses (including attorneys' fees, judgments, fines, penalties, amount paid in settlement and other disbursements) actually and reasonably incurred by or imposed upon such a person in connection with any action, suit, investigation or proceeding (or claim or other matter herein), whether civil, criminal, administrative or otherwise in nature, including but not limited to any proceeding involving allegations of invasion of privacy, negligent or intentional infliction of emotional distress or any similar or related allegedly tortuous conduct, negligence, ministry-related malpractice, breach of fiduciary duty or care or loyalty, or any suits alleging violations of civil rights including but not limited to discrimination on the basis of age, sex, race, disability, handicap or sexual orientation,

with respect to which person is named or otherwise threatened to be made a party by reason of being or any time having been an officer of ICA or the National Coalition, a member of the National Council, a member of the ICA or the National Coalition, a member of the Staff, or an Employee or other agent of or in a similar capacity with the National Coalition and/or any relating entity by reason of being or at any time having been, at the direction or request of ICA and the National Coalition, a director, elder, deacon, officer, trustee, administrator, manager, employee, member, advisor or other agent of or fiduciary for any other corporation, partnership, trust, venture or other entity or enterprise including any employee benefit plan.

B. Each request or case of or on behalf of any person who is or may be entitled to indemnification for reason other than in the paragraph above shall be reviewed by the National Council, and the indemnification of such a person shall be authorized by a majority of the National Council only if it is determined by the National Council that indemnification is proper in the specific case, and, notwithstanding, anything to the contrary in this Charter Document, no person shall indemnify to the extent, if any, it is determined by a majority of the members of the National Council or by written opinion of legal counsel designated by the National Council for such a person that indemnification is contrary to applicable law.

C. ICA and the National Coalition may, as determined by a majority of the National Council direct, purchase and maintain such insurance on behalf of any person who is or at any time has been an officer of ICA or the National Coalition, a member of the National Council, a member of the Staff, or Employee or agent of or in similar capacity with ICA or the National Coalition, or who is or at any time has been, at the direction or request of ICA or the National Coalition, a director, trustee, officer, administrator, manager, employee, member, advisor or other agent of or fiduciary for any other corporation, partnership, trust, venture, or other entity or enterprise including any employee benefit plan against any liability asserted and incurred by such a person.

VI. Disassociation with ICA

(1) ICA reserves the right to disassociate itself from the National Coalition at any time should the character of the organization not reflect the goals and values of ICA. In such a case, similar due process as described above for the Convening Apostle and National Council shall be followed by the Ambassadorial Apostle of ICA.

(2) Since all participation in ICA is voluntary, the National Coalition has the same right of disassociation from ICA with written notice of the decision being given to the Ambassadorial Apostle of ICA or sent to the ICA International Headquarters in the USA.

An Opinion Paper by C. Peter Wagner on Apostles...

I. Introduction

The International Coalition of Apostles (ICA) founded in 1999, now counts over 500 members. Membership requires nomination by at least two active ICA members, presuming that peer-level apostles are the most qualified to recognize fellow apostles. This statement has been processed with ICA members over a two year period and it is now issued as an official consensus statement. Certain ICA members may hold varying opinions regarding some of the details, but there is agreement on the general thrust and essence of this statement.

II. Definition

An apostle is a Christian leader that is gifted, taught, commissioned, and sent by God with the authority to establish the foundational government of the church within an assigned sphere of ministry by hearing what the Spirit is saying to the churches and by setting things in order accordingly for the extension of the kingdom of God.

III. Gifts and Ministries

A. Apostles, by definition, have been given the spiritual gift of apostle by the grace of God. This gift is listed among many others in 1 Corinthians 12. The same chapter, however, indicates that not all of those with the same gift have the same ministry, and not all those with the same ministry have the same activity (see 1 Cor. 12:4-6).

B. Many apostles minister primarily in the nuclear church, which takes the shape of congregations of believers that meet in church buildings or in homes or groupings of such congregations, while others minister primarily in the workplace. The first would be termed “nuclear church” apostles as over against “extended church”, or workplace, apostles.

C. Some are territorial apostles to whom God has given authority covering a certain geographical area such as a neighborhood or a city or a state or a nation. Others have authority in a certain social arena such as government or finances or media, etc.

D. Among those with the gift of apostle, some have the ministry of vertical apostle. This means that they are in an apostolic leadership position over a network of churches and ministries or a network of those who minister in a certain affinity sphere such as women or prayer or youth or worship, etc. Others are horizontal apostles who have a ministry of convening and connecting peers such as other apostles or pastors or prophets, etc.

IV. Gifts and Offices

The gift of apostle, as in the case of all spiritual gifts, is given to believers by God as He pleases (see 1 Cor. 12:11, 18). Spiritual gifts are given only by the grace of God. However, an office such as the office of apostle is not given by grace alone, but given as a result of works that have demonstrated faithfulness in stewarding the gift. If God has chosen to give a man or a woman the gift of apostle, the fruit of that gift will be evident to others and in due time the body of Christ will recognize the

activation of the gift and confer the office of apostle on that person. This act is most often termed “commissioning,” and it is performed by peer-level apostles, as well as prophets, representing the church and laying on hands. The title “apostle” is ordinarily used only by those who have been duly commissioned into the office, although this principle has not yet been formalized in many situations.

V. Apostolic Spheres

There is no such thing as an apostle to the whole church. God assigns to each apostle certain spheres in which they exercise authority. Paul makes this clear in 2 Corinthians 10:13-16. There he says, “We, however, will not boast beyond measure, but within the limits of the sphere which God appointed us” (2 Cor. 10:13). Apostolic spheres can be ecclesiastical, functional, territorial (geographic), cultural, or workplace.

VI. Qualifications of Apostles

Certain qualifications apply to all apostles, regardless of the different ministries or activities that may have been assigned to them by God. They include:

A. Extraordinary character. Apostles fulfill the leadership requirements outlined in 1 Timothy 3:1-7. They take seriously the warning of James 3:1 that they will be judged with a stricter judgment than most other believers. They are holy (1 Peter 1:15).

B. Humility. Jesus said that only those who humble themselves will be exalted. Since apostles are exalted by God (See 1 Cor. 12:28), they must be humble in order to qualify.

C. Leadership. Not all leaders are apostles, but all apostles are leaders. Apostles must have followers to verify their leadership role.

D. Authority. The characteristic that most distinguishes apostles from other members of the body of Christ is the extraordinary authority that comes part and parcel with the gift of apostle. They gain their authority through fatherhood, not through arrogance or imposition.

E. Integrity. Apostles are expected to display the integrity that will cause them to be “blameless” (1 Tim. 3:2) and “have a good testimony among those who are outside” (1 Tim. 3:7).

F. Wisdom. True apostleship does not come without maturity, and maturity cultivates wisdom. Apostles have the God-given ability to see the big picture and to help others find their place in God’s plan.

G. Prayer. While not all apostles would be intercessors per se, all have close contact with God through a disciplined and effective prayer life (Acts 6:4).

VII. What All Apostles Do

A. They receive revelation. Apostles hear what the Spirit is saying to the churches. Some of this revelation comes directly to them, some of it is received together with prophets, and other times through proper relationships with prophets.

B. **They cast vision.** Their vision is based on the revelation they receive, grounded in the Scriptures.

C. **They birth.** Apostles are self-starters who begin new things.

D. **They father/mother.** Apostles desire to see their sons and daughters in the faith rise higher in effective ministry than themselves.

E. **They impart life.** God uses apostles to activate His blessings in others (Rom. 1:11).

F. **They build.** Apostles strategize and find ways to carry a project along its intended course, including the funding that is required.

G. **They govern.** Apostles are skilled in setting things in order. Along with prophets, they lay the biblical foundation of the kingdom and the church (Eph. 2:20).

H. **They teach.** Early believers “continued steadfastly in the apostles’ teaching” (Acts 2:42).

I. **They send.** Apostles send out those who are equipped to fulfill their role in extending the kingdom of God.

J. **They finish.** Apostles are able to bring a project or a season of God to its desired conclusion. They are uneasy until the project is done. They seldom burn out.

K. **They war.** Apostles are the generals in the army of God. They lead the way in tearing down the strongholds of the enemy.

L. **They align generations.** Apostles have a long-range perspective on the purposes of God and they raise up second tier leadership for the future.

M. **They equip.** Ephesians 4:12 says that apostles equip the saints for the work of the ministry.

N. **They form apostolic teams.** Apostles are not lone rangers, they are team players. They surround themselves with strong, committed leaders.

O. **They resolve conflicts.** Apostles are on call to settle disputes among individuals and in churches and ministries.

P. **They discipline.** Apostles deal with malfeasance and correct it through biblical methods of reprimand and punishment,

VIII. What Some Apostles Do.

Given the differences in temperaments, in ministries, in callings, in activities, and in geographical locations, many but not all apostles will be characterized by:

A. **Having seen Jesus.**

- B. **Performing signs and wonders.**
- C. **Exposing heresy.**
- D. **Planting new churches.**
- E. **Ministering cross-culturally.**
- F. **Taking back territory from the enemy, converting it to the kingdom.**

IX. Special Characteristics of Workplace Apostles

For the most part, workplace or extended church apostles will be expected to exhibit the same qualifications and move in the same activities as nuclear church apostles. However, because of their position in the workplace, certain sources of their apostolic authority will be somewhat different.

A. **Respect.** The starting point for nuclear church apostles is ordinarily relationships, whereas the starting point for workplace apostles is respect. By this we mean that the authority of nuclear church apostles is derived largely from their anointing and their relationships. On the other hand, the authority of workplace apostles is derived from the respect they command from others in the workplace, authenticated by their successful track record. In the workplace, relationships ordinarily are earned through respect, not vice versa.

B. **Money.** A major criterion for respect in the workplace is access to resources, particularly financial resources. Money commands respect, builds credibility, and confers authority more in the workplace than it might in the nuclear church. Money, however, is never the focus; it is regarded only as a necessary tool. Workplace apostles who are financially independent have an advantage over those who are dependent on others for their income.

C. **Risk taker.** The road leading to apostolic authority in the workplace is a mine field. Along with the successes, workplace apostles have become accustomed to taking the hits. Most have lost much money and they have learned from it. However, by God's grace, they fear no one, and they do not turn back because they know that God is not concerned about money.

D. **Renaissance person.** Another criterion for respect is being perceived as a "Renaissance person." These are individuals who have command of a broad spectrum of interests.

E. **Negotiating legal structures.** Workplace apostles intuitively move through and around legal entanglements. They do not allow legal structures to set boundaries restricting what God can do. This ability is based on inter-workings of relationships built on trust.

F. **Position of influence.** Authority also comes from the unusual influence one has in his or her determined sphere of the workplace. The seven molders of culture include family, religion, government, arts, media, business, and education. Each one has numerous subdivisions, and all have their specific rulebooks as to how influence is attained. Workplace apostles will know what

their sphere or spheres are and they will have attained positions of influence within those spheres. The explicit overriding motivation for their use of influence is to glorify God.

G. Kingdom mindset. Not every financially successful Christian leader in the workplace is, ipso facto, an apostle. Those who are will also have a kingdom mentality, meaning that their driving passion is to see God's kingdom values permeate society on every level. They exhibit the expected characteristics of any apostle. They are actively involved in city or nation transformation as well as setting in order the "church" located in the workplace.

H. Commissioning. The process for recognizing and commissioning workplace apostles is still under development and hopefully we will soon have a consensus in ICA as to how this should be done.

THE END



Convening and Ambassadorial Apostle Initial Questionnaire

Name: _____ Email: _____

Mailing
Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Nation: _____

Cell Phone (including all national codes): _____ Other Phone: _____

I am interested in being considered as a (check one) **Convening Apostle** or an **Ambassadorial
Apostle** for the nation(s) of _____

Please describe your previous involvement in the nation(s) you have requested: _____

Approximately how many times have you visited this nation and how many times a year do you
presently go? _____

Please provide the names of the people in this nation(s) you have worked with in the past: _____

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Please describe what you would like to accomplish in this nation and what you believe will be your

biggest challenges: _____

Please describe your strategy for fulfilling your vision and overcoming any stated challenges: _____

Please list the people (person) with whom you are aligned and to whom you are accountable: _____

Who commissioned you and please provide a few details this event: _____

Who looks to you for apostolic leadership and give some details about your on-going relationship: _____

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Please state any further information you would like ICA to know about you: _____

Email your questionnaire to ICA c/o Mark Pfeifer at mark@somafamily.com
or mail it to: **P. O. Box 913, Chillicothe, Ohio 45601** THANK YOU!