

Reclaiming the Heart of Mission: From Transaction to Transformation

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**“Mission is cultivating relationships
across boundaries for the sake of
fostering conversations in word and
deed about the nature of God's good
news.”**

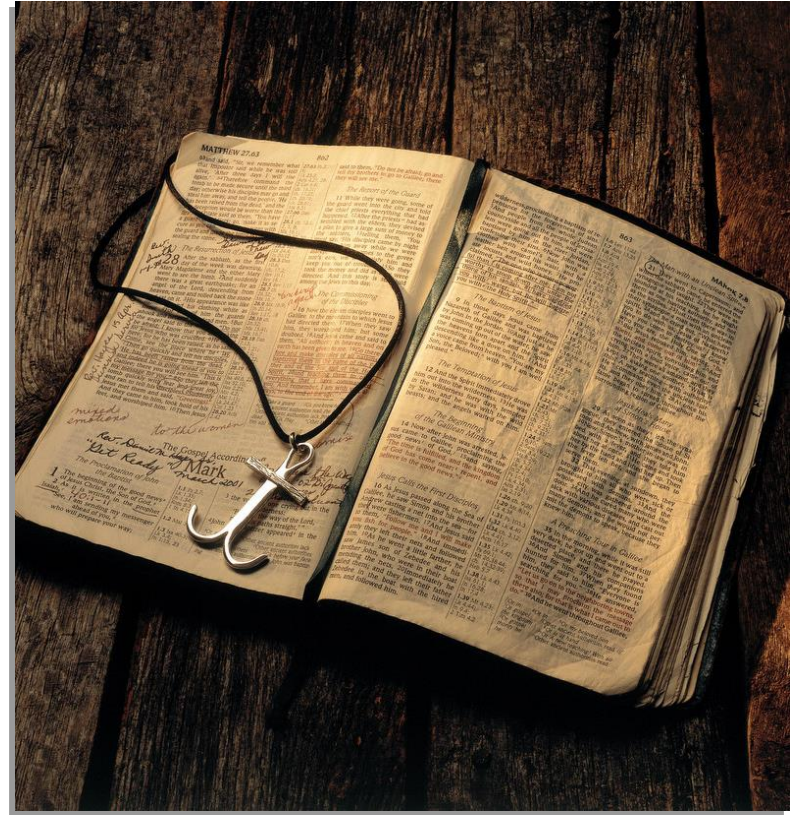
-Dr. David W. Scott, Mission Theologian

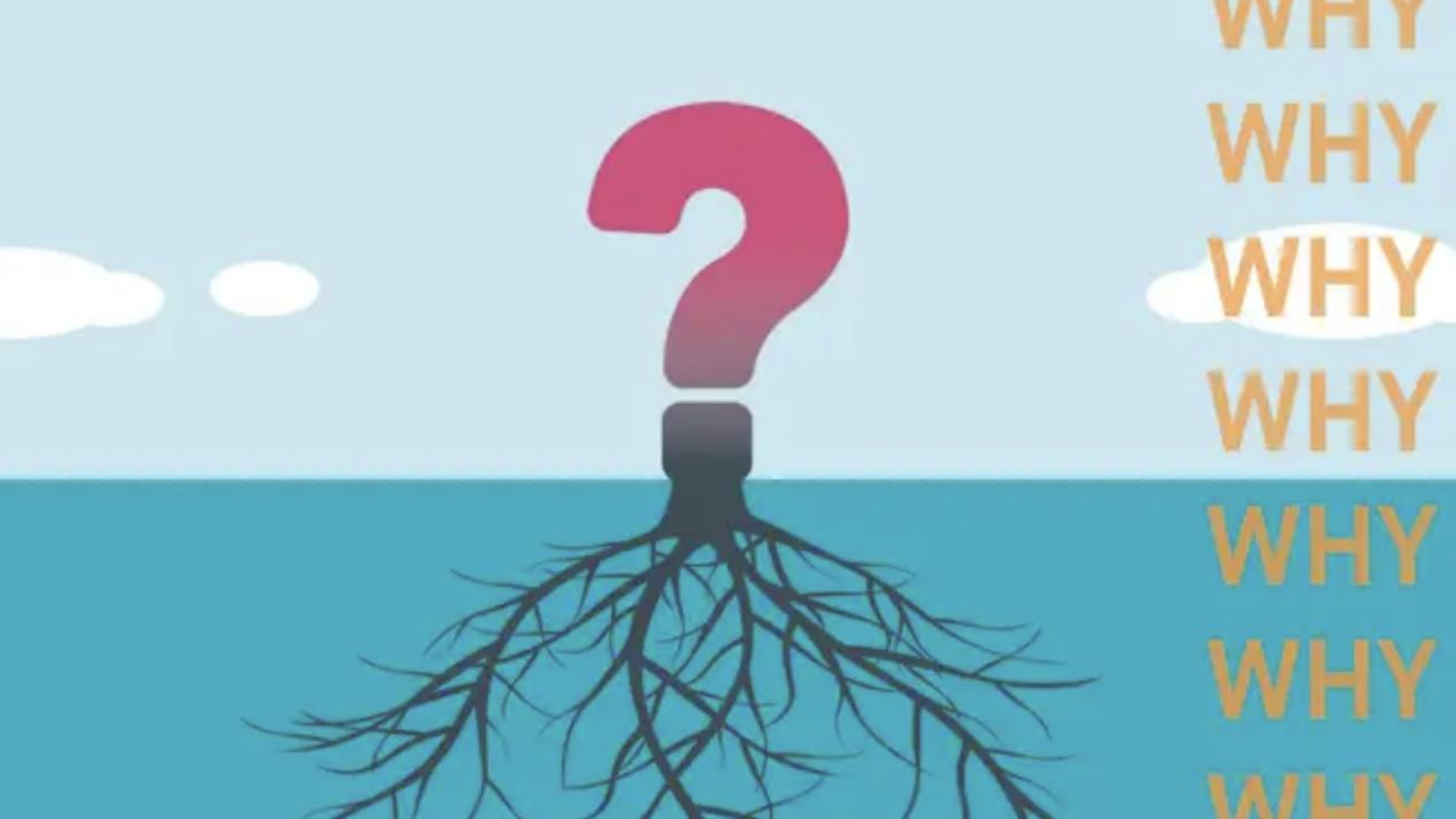
Theology Of Mission

The Mission Theology statement guides Global Ministries' participation in the ***Missio Dei*** (God's Mission).

The transforming power belongs to God, and Global Ministries is in mission to witness to what God has done and is doing, and to learn from what God is doing in every land where disciples gather in the name of Jesus Christ.

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Transactional Mission

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- In the Community?
- To those in service?

What happens when the situation changes?

- Interests change?
- People move/leadership changes?
- Finances change?
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A close-up photograph of a bee on a purple flower. The bee is positioned in the center-left of the frame, facing right. It has a fuzzy, brown and black body, with its wings partially spread. The flower is a vibrant purple with visible veins and a yellow center. The background is a soft, out-of-focus green. The text "Transformational Mission" is overlaid in white at the bottom center.

Transformational Mission

What does Transformational Mission teach us?

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Philosophy of Partnership

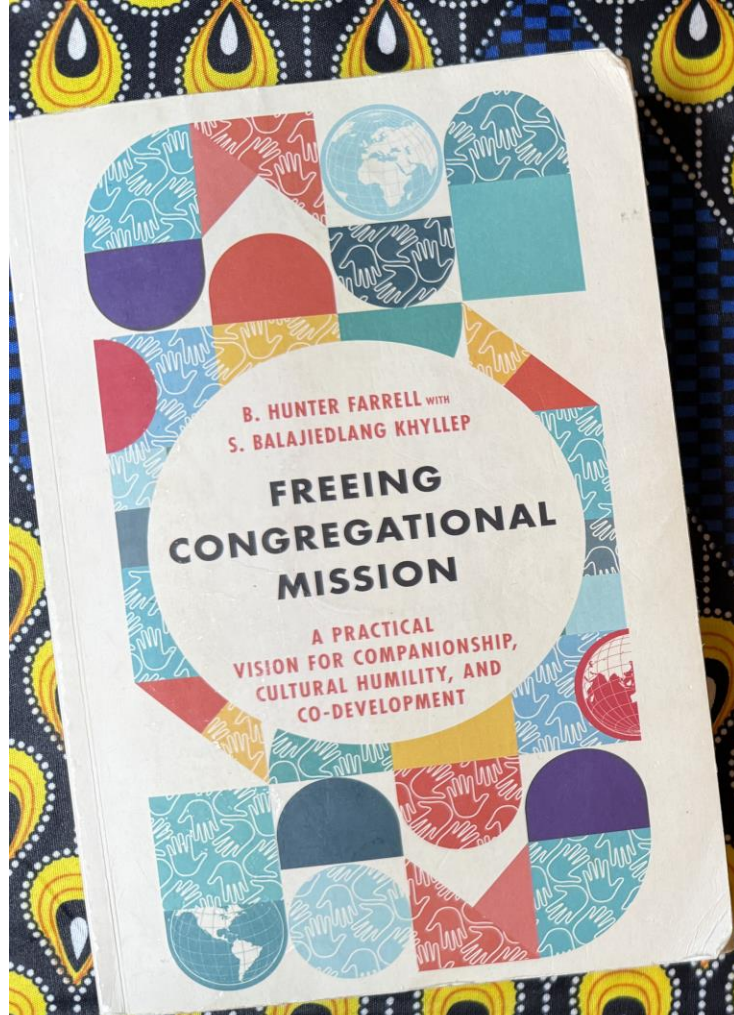
- Relationship Building
- Power Equity
- Asset Based
- Vulnerability
- Financial Transparency
- Sustainable Impact

www.umcmission.org → search “partnership”under *Resources* section
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Consider an existing missional relationship.

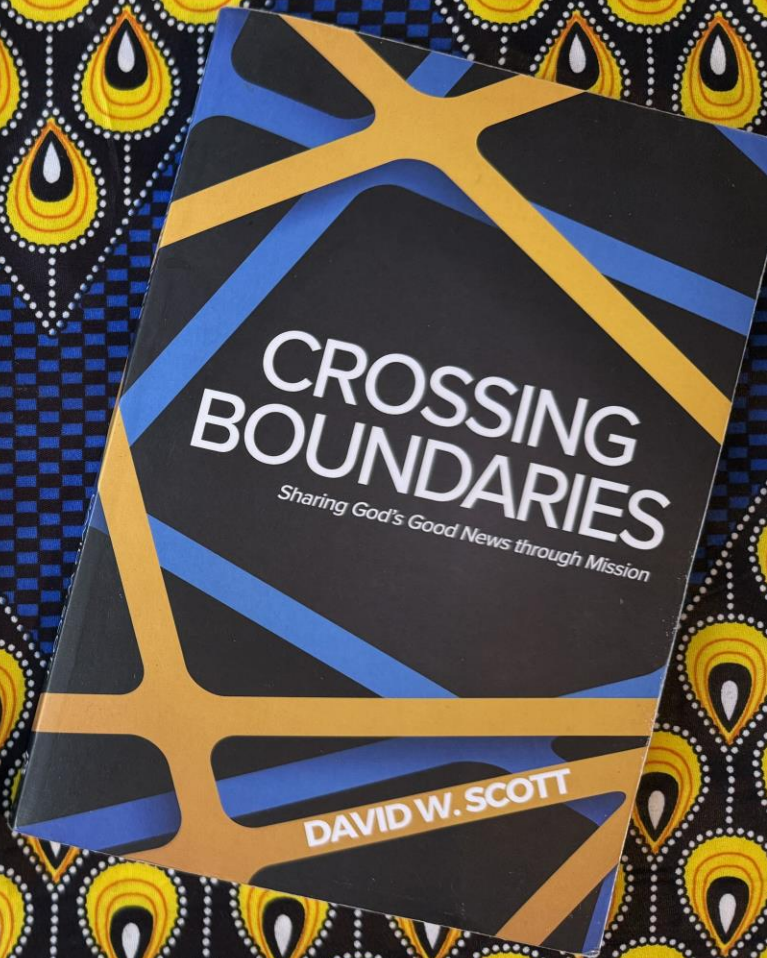
- Where is it already relational?
- Where is it still transactional?
- What is one small shift towards “being with.”



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