



# VISION & VALUES

*Legacy23 Edition*







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# Introduction

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It is a great privilege to be welcoming you on behalf of our global team to our Legacy23 edition of our Vision and Values booklet. For each one of us individually, or as churches and even movements, there comes a time when we need to refresh our purpose and priorities, redefining where we are heading, what our focus will be and how we will measure our progress. Together, we as the global team of leaders believe that we are at such a place.

With the promise of 'a new era' and Rodney Haggard's most recent exciting prophecy of 'a fresh Macedonian Call' and what that will mean for us as a movement going forward, we believe that it is a good time to refresh our values, make adjustments where they are needed and to detail our apostolic priorities in these days. The whole process has been so exciting, especially when we are seeing an intentional activation of the next generation. Added to this information, we have included important data about our world-wide Regions Beyond footprint and a page on how you can pray for our church family. Our hope is that, as your faith continues to grow, we will be able to go further into the regions beyond.

Our values underpin our togetherness and create a foundation that promotes unity in diversity. They are also a plumb line that one can hold up to see how we are building and ensure our faithfulness to the great call of God on our lives. Values are aimed at producing passion and we hope that you will see that in your life and your community.





Our corporate togetherness across the nations is a unique and treasured value and we hope that you will appreciate the hard work and integrity that has produced this booklet.

Thank you for your partnership in the gospel. We do not seek a 'great name' as a movement, but we are fully devoted to making Jesus Christ known across our nations and to the ends of the earth. That's our true passion; let's go and fulfil our destiny.

On behalf of the Regions Beyond Global Team,

Steve Oliver





# Developing Our Values

We believe that our values are best displayed, seen and modelled through our people, rather than a list detailed in a document. In other words, values which are caught, rather than taught. So, when someone comes among us in Regions Beyond, they will find an expression of our values passionately on display in our lives, our churches and in our togetherness. The list below is therefore a way of giving these values definition – our hope is it will help us put our glorious Saviour, Jesus Christ, fully on display.







# Who Are We?

## A diverse family of churches joined in apostolic partnership

Regions Beyond is a family of churches, celebrating diversity in context and style. We fully share in gospel partnership through a commitment to planting and strengthening churches across the nations. Our desire is that each church is a loving, prayerful, worshipping community, centred on Jesus, rooted in the Word of God, and fully empowered by the Holy Spirit to be an effective witness. Our hope is that each church will reflect the glory of God through joy, generosity, humility, compassion, service, grace, diversity and integrity.

# Regions Beyond - A Short History

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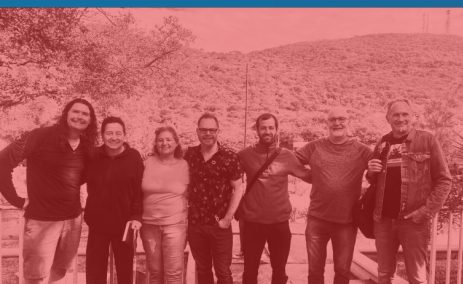
Regions Beyond is described as, a family of churches joined in apostolic partnership and was born out of a parent charismatic movement, Newfrontiers, led by Terry Virgo. As the Newfrontiers movement developed and grew across many nations, the time came for it to multiply into new spheres of ministry as Terry released gifted leaders into their own apostolic ministries and church movements. Two of these men, Steve Oliver and Ray Lowe, developed their own movements, but later came together in Regions Beyond, which developed into what it is now.

Their complementary gifts brought together a number of other gifted leaders with influence and ministry in other nations. Although Steve planted churches and was initially based in his home country of South Africa, Regions Beyond took shape during 2012 while he was seeing great expansion of ministry in Dubai, with its incredible connections across the globe. During this period, Steve was making strong links into India and the Philippines, as well as continuing with friendships in the UK. At that time Ray Lowe was also developing his sphere of influence and as they came together in partnership, Regions Beyond was strengthened with an increased number of UK churches and churches in the north-west of America.

Other African nations have been affected through the links within South Africa and through the Middle East connections as people travelled through the UAE. Additionally, the enlarged apostolic leadership team were gaining influence and helping an increasing number of churches in other nations including Pakistan, Holland, Malaysia and some other nations, as yet closed to the church.

Friendships with John Evans and Mike Irving saw renewed togetherness and closer ties with other nations, including Brazil, Mexico and Australia. As the global team began to grow in gifting and maturity, Regions Beyond saw its 'footprint' stretch across 23 nations in six continents.







# Our Apostolic Priorities

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At the time of going to print, the global team have introduced and highlighted five apostolic priorities. These priorities have been introduced to focus our action in our togetherness, ensuring that we attain all we believe God has entrusted to us as a family of churches. They are;

## **Priority 1: Devoted to mission and reaching the unreached.**

We are to be a people devoted to Jesus first, but we are also devoted to his great commission. Jesus' commission is about announcing the good news of the Kingdom of God to all the world. Jesus reached out to every unreached people group in his ministry and instructed his disciples to do the same. Paul made it his ambition to preach Christ where Christ is not yet known. Christ is not yet known among the unreached, that's why it needs to be our priority to reach them.

## **Priority 2: Intentional about diversity.**

The gospel unites Jew and Gentile, poor and rich, male and female, slave and free. Diversity is not about representation or tokenism, but unification of all people in God's family. We must pursue this gospel initiative through our leadership training, church planting and kingdom mission.



### **Priority 3: Raising and releasing Ephesians 4 ministry. (Apostolic bands)**

The risen Christ continues to give many gifts to the church, but each gift is often a seedling that needs to be watered and nurtured to develop into the gift that will bless God's people. These gifts need encouragement and assistance to work together in Apostolic partnership to achieve the mission of the church.

### **Priority 4: Contextualising the gospel - relevant local expression.**

The gospel remains the same: freedom from sin and reconciliation with God and one another; yet that message of freedom and reconciliation needs to be announced and expressed in meaningful ways in different cultures without adding or subtracting from it. We must understand and respect the unique and local cultural history, and whilst celebrating that in every context, allow the gospel to transform people into the new creations that God intends.

### **Priority 5: Kingdom initiatives - community impact.**

The gospel is active in changing lives both internally and externally. The gospel therefore needs an active expression of love, justice and humility in every community where it is proclaimed.



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# Faithful to scripture

We are committed to the faithful preaching and teaching of scripture as our first and final authority.

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## Saved and motivated by grace

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Grace; the gift of undeserved favour from God through His Son, Jesus Christ's death and resurrection. We are saved by grace, sustained by grace and will be glorified because of grace. This truth gives us great cause for rejoicing and impacts our relationships with one another and the world.

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# Empowered by the Holy Spirit

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We believe in the vitality of every member being filled with the Holy Spirit and the importance of using their God-given gifts to build the church and to be Christ's witnesses in their communities and to the ends of the earth.

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ng isa't isa, bumubuo ng  
pamilyang pang lokal at  
maging pang internasyonal.

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## There for one another's success

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We desire to build family, locally and internationally, in our world-wide mission.  
We take responsibility for doing all that we can to ensure and enjoy 'running the race  
with perseverance' together and 'finishing strong', enabled through intentional practical  
relationships.

Viering van Diversiteit –  
afbreëking van skeidingsmure.

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## Celebrating diversity

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We celebrate our diversity and unity which crosses age, ethnicity, language, culture, economic status, class, education, and gender. We work hard to break down every wall of division and seek to bring together 'One New Man in Christ'. In this way we display God's new humanity in Christ Jesus.



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# Embracing the poor

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We seek to continue the apostolic call to remember the poor so that we all participate as co-equal partners in God's worldwide mission.

*Abrazar a los  
pobres - como  
coparticipes en la  
misión de Dios*





*Dedicados à missão,  
estendendo o reino  
de Deus*

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## Devoted to mission

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We are passionate about fulfilling our call to see the Kingdom of God extended locally and internationally and are committed to taking the gospel to the ends of the earth, motivated by a desire for Jesus to have worshippers from every people-group and for God to receive the glory.



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# Servant-hearted followers of Jesus

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We are all called to be servants who die to ourselves for the benefit of others. It's our longing to see this fully modelled in every aspect of life.

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# Humbly led by gifted leadership teams

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We believe in the plurality of leadership in the church and that God appoints leadership gifts to serve the local church alongside a team of male elders. These teams gladly partner with apostolic teams to help bring the church to world-wide mission.

Nederig geleid door  
leiderschapsteams in  
hun kracht & gaven -  
met een dienend hart



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# Honouring the centrality of the local church

We have a high view of church because it is central to God's eternal purpose. This is expressed in each member's devotion to prayer, worship, giving and service in their local church.

地方教会的中心——上帝荣耀的家庭。

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## Shaped by the prophetic

We believe in the gifts of the Holy Spirit as mentioned in 1 Corinthians 12 and that the prophetic can and does shape us as individuals, churches and as a movement. We believe that prophetic input is crucial in providing ongoing direction and encouragement to us as churches and as a movement.

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# Key Prophetic Words

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“I believe God is taking us into a new era. It’s not a change of season as it is not something we have experienced before. New eras present a total change of landscape, which brings about such a significant change in the mode of operation. Seasons are recognisable by those who’ve experienced them before and one can find oneself back at the same point - a new era is something totally new”.

Rory Watts - January 2019

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The following word came during a leaders’ gathering at Marathon, rather than one of the main meetings. I was looking across the prayer room at two windows, one on my left and one on my right, when I felt God speak to me:

When I looked out of the window on the left, I could see the sea, and what I think was the mainland curving back round, and possibly an island. But when I looked out of the window on the right, all I could see was the sea. I didn’t see any land, just the open ocean, which could go anywhere. I felt God speaking to me about that difference – between the view on the left and the view on the right. I felt God saying that:

As a Movement we have always worked in the left-hand window, where we’ve been able to navigate by landmarks, whether it’s the coastline or a mountain - we know those familiar points and we navigate according to them. I sensed we were like a business, ferrying people along the coast, and dropping people off. So, we plant churches and build communities, but everything is navigated by the coastline and the landmarks. And this governs the size of the boat we have. A boat designed to take people along the coast: a bit like a ferry, I guess. That’s how we have operated.

But then I felt God saying, now look to the right; and look at the open ocean. Look at the bigger thing. There is a whole land the other side of that sea (beyond the horizon), that you don't see right now, which I want you to reach, where My Name is to be lifted up. There are whole people groups that you don't see (from where you are standing).

There are nations you don't see, but I see, because I see beyond the horizon. And I feel God is saying that in the decade of the 2020s, it's going to be a decade for the Movement to travel across that sea; I don't think we stop doing the ferries (navigating the coast), but I feel God is saying, 'invest in a bigger boat, put resources into a bigger boat.' I had the Discovery of the Americas in my mind. The boats that would have traded around Europe and the UK, were never going to be enough to reach the Americas. They needed a different sort of boat to go over there. They needed a different type of person that went: a different captain, different crew, different type of pioneer – but ordinary people, men, women and children on board, because it was a colonising ship. And they had different resources (appropriate for the task). They pioneered, made landfall, built colonies, and built a nation.

I feel God is saying, it's time to invest in a different sort of boat; time to restructure the Movement. I feel God is saying, there is land over the horizon that you just haven't seen yet, which I am going to open up to you. It's time to invest in a bigger boat and start to navigate towards the open sea.

Rodney Haggar - 8 November 2021

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# Our Global Footprint – As Of 2023

*6 Continents 23 Nations 179 Churches*



# Prayer Points

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## 1. To the Regions Beyond

For our churches to live out the name 'REGIONS BEYOND' as we endeavour to see Gospel advance in the 23 nations that God has currently led us into and in new nations and cultures! **2 Corinthian 10:16** *'Our hope is that, as your faith continues to grow, our sphere of activity among you will greatly expand, 16 so that we can preach the gospel in the regions beyond you.'*

## 2. Apostolic Priorities

For the 5 Apostolic Priorities to continue to become a reality in our churches as we endeavour to be faithful with what God has given us and for us to continue to seek prophetic guidance for ongoing direction. **John 16:13** *'But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth.'*

## 3. The Glorious Church

That we will have a high view of God's glorious church, being strong in the Word and in the demonstration of the power of the Spirit. **Ephesians 5:26-27** *'Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, 26 that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, 27 so that he might present the church to himself in splendour, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish.'*

## 4. Training & Equipping

For many training centres to be established around the world to develop and equip future leaders and for us to see ongoing, God-led transition to the next generations. **2 Timothy 2:15** *'Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth.'*



## 5. God's Healing Community

That we will be grace-filled communities where the broken and lost find a safe place and experience the power of the Cross, displaying God's desire for 'One new man in Christ'. **Ephesians 2:14-16** *'For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility 15 by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, 16 and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility.'*

## 6. Kingdom Expression

For kingdom expression outside the church and for open doors to reach the many unreached people groups. That we will take risks and see God's grace at work as we actively engage with the poor. **1 Samuel 2:8** *'He raises up the poor from the dust; he lifts the needy from the ash heap to make them sit with princes and inherit a seat of honour.'* **Romans 10:14** *'How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching?'*

## 7. Servant Leadership

That every church will have teams of gifted men and women leading the people, through serving as Jesus did, and who are working in willing partnership with Apostolic teams. **1 Peter 4:8-11** *'Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins. 9 Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling. 10 Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. 11 If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ.'*

# Global Events

For more information and dates, please visit our website.



Advance India  
Annual leadership gathering in Mumbai for the strengthening and activation of the Regions Beyond churches in India.



Legacy South Africa  
A global gathering held in Clarens, SA aimed at preparing the movement for transition.



Convergence Dubai UAE  
A global gathering for leaders aimed at motivating togetherness & mission.



Accelerate Philippines  
Annual gathering to train and equip leaders and release them to embrace their calling.



Conexion Mexico  
Gathering churches and leaders from Mexico and the Americas.



Amplify USA  
Church conference annually.



Simunye South Africa  
A family gathering of leaders for our African churches.



Hub UK & Europe  
This event takes place in two locations each May & November. For leaders & emerging leaders.





# Additional Information

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