

Geographic Timeline of Modern Christianity

	Sixteenth Century 1501-1600 A.D.	Seventeenth Century 1601-1700 A.D.	Eighteenth Century 1701-1800 A.D.	Nineteenth Century 1801-1900 A.D.	Twentieth Century 1901-2000 A.D.
World	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * 80 Million Christians = under 20%. * 30+ Bible Translations. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * 100 Million Christians = under 20%. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Christianity grows from +20% to +30% of world pop. * Bible Translations grow from 64 to 550. * Protestant Mission Agency heyday - denom and non-denom. boards to coastlands early in century (1st Era), Faith missions reaching inlands late in the century (2nd Era). "Denominationalism by geography" * "Christianity, Commerce, and Civilization" 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Christian growth from 20% to 30% of world pop. * Protestant Mission Agency heyday - denom and non-denom. boards to coastlands early in century (1st Era), Faith missions reaching inlands late in the century (2nd Era). "Denominationalism by geography" * "Christianity, Commerce, and Civilization" 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * World stays 1/3 Christian throughout century, although another third is exposed to the Gospel. * Explosion of female missos: specialization in broadcasting, transportation, medicine, development/relief, & linguistics. * Languages with some Scripture translated rises to 3000. * Shift from mission stations in countries to evangelism movements in ethnic groups (McGavran). * Samuel Zwemer in Arabia and Cairo. #T276 * Political Nation of Israel re-established after 1900 years - many missions to Jews, but stumbling block for Muslims * Oil money funds Muslim missionary work across the globe. * Edinburgh Missionary Conference marks transition in strategy, incl. more U.S. sending, more indigenous leadership, more women. * Two world wars slow missos but envision generation of soldiers for the lost. * Spiritual decline (Communism in East, Secularism in West). * 95% of Colonial nations independent from European control. * Any Carmichael #T239 * E. Stanley Jones (contextualized evangelism in India) #T282 * Medical: Johanna Veenstra. #T246, Ida Scudder - India #T332, "Daktar" Olsen - Bangladesh #T342 * India (and many other non-Western states) becomes a sending country. * Boxer Rebellion in China * Robert Jaffray, Eric Liddle, Stams * Gladys Aylward. #T249 * Communism ousts missionaries but results in phenomenal national growth of indigenous church in China. * Maude Cary in Morocco #T242 * C.T. Studd #T263 * Albert Schweitzer - W. Afr. * Congo: Carl Becker, Helen Rosavaere #T254 * Ethiopia: Marxists oust missos, persecution brings growth to national church. * Black Americans: Sheppard & Phipps (Congo), McDowell (Angola), Watson (Liberia). * Civil wars and AIDS wreak havoc on Sub-Sahara and call depth of Christianity into question. * Townsend in Guatemala starts Wycliffe & SIL. #T351 * Martyrdom of American missionaries publicized (5+3 NTM's, Bitterman, Operation Auca). * Moody/Wharton/Billy Graham connection - 17% of missos. * Mobilization movements: SEMF (Urbana), CWM (Ralph Winter), AD2000 (Louis Bush). * Biggest agencies: Wycliffe, Baptist IMB, YWAM. * USA ideological and economic imperialism (Japan, Cuba, Vietnam, Korea, Iraq, Afghanistan...) * Protestant Evangelization of Latin America: Scofield and CAM * COMIBAM and growth of Latin American sending. * Richardson, Lazlow, and many others in Iraian Jaya, PNG * Philippines, Singapore, and other Pacific Rim countries become major sending countries (Lausanne Conference)
Middle East					
Europe	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Reformation: Luther, Zwingli, Calvin, Knox. * Counter-Reformation: Loyola - Jesuits founded. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Russian Orthodox Church becomes independent of Rome, links with state. * 30 yr. war ends with peace of Westphalia dividing Europe b/w Catholic & Protestant. * Protestant mission feeble. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Pietistic renewal movement. * Moravians send self-supporting missionaries all over the world (esp. Americas). #T67 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Europe is primary sending base of missos. * Revivals (Wesley) #C383 * Rise of German Liberal Theology negatively influences America and missions. 	
Central & West Asia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Francis Xavier (Jesuit) travels through India and Japan - 300,000 converts. #T59 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * De Nobili (Jesuit) - cast Hindus in India. #T64 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Danish-Halle Mission founded: Ziegenbalg and Schwartz in India. #T68 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * William Carey - Bible Trans. in India. #T114 * Henry Martyn (T132), Alexander Duff (T135), Clara Swain, John Clough in India * Venn (CBS- London) and Anderson (American BCFM) redefine missions from colonial stations, to evangelism which produces nationally-run churches. 	
East Asia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Maat Ricci (Jesuit) in China. #T63 * Dutch in Indonesia. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Von Bell (Jesuit) in China. * Jesuits so successful in Japan that Shogun felt threatened and expelled all foreigners. * De Rhoades (Jesuit) in Vietnam #B242. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Hudson Taylor - China Inland Mission. #T173 * Adoniram Judson (USA) in Burma. #T121 * Morrison - Bible trans. in Canton. * Gutzlaff (T171), Jon, & Rosalind Goforth. #T188 * Lottie Moon. #T235 * Protestant missionaries arrive in Japan & Korea * Verbiist (RC) in Mongolia. * Cambridge Seven sail for China. #T263 	
Africa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Portuguese aid, try to convert Ethiopian Christians. #I51 * RC Portuguese & Dutch establish trade all over African coasts for gold, slaves, etc., and some missions are established - movements among Warri in W., Kongo in S, and Zambesi in E. #I61-68 * Christopher Columbus' discoveries lead to European colonization and evangelization. * Dominicans arrive in Haiti (Las Casas). #T57 * Solanus (Franciscan) * Richier & Chartier: Calvinist missionaries to Brazil. #J 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * RC French Settlements in St. Louis, Goree, & Whydah. #I59 * Spanish mission on Guinea coast translates a catechism into Ewe. #I60 * RC Missions sent missos from Cape Verde & Saõ Thomé isles. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * George Schmidt (Moravian) among Hottentots in S. Africa #T79 * George, Peters, Calvert (Black Americans to Sierra Leone) * Signor Joseph African converted in Portugal, mission in Sierra Leone. #I58 * Thompson (Anglican) - slaves in America, then W. Africa. #I59 * Capitein (Dutch Reformed) among Fante of W. Africa. #I60 * Anglican Bray founds SPCGFP, sends 300 missos to N. American Colonies. #C360 * Egede & Christian David in Greenland. #T74 * Zeisberger and Brainerd: American Indians #T90 (autobio inspires many future missos). * Moravians send missos to Virgin Is * 1st Great Awakening: Tennent, Edwards, Whitfield. #C367 * Galvez and Fr. Serra est. 30 missions/chapels along Sierra Pacific Coast. * Captain Cook writes book about his sea voyages, inspiring missos to travel. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Mary Slessor - W. Africa. #T158 * Peter Cameron Scott founds AIM * Moffatt - Bible Trans. in S. Africa. #T141 * Mackay (T157), Grenfell (T155), Livingstone (T147), Stanley (T153) cross Africa, mobilize Europe for inland. * Coker, Crummell, Lott Carey - U.S. settlements in Liberia. * Uganda: Pilkington (Bible Trns.), Bishop Tucker * Guinness in Congo founds LIM, NAM, & RBMU. * RC's: Massaja (Ethiopia), de Foucauld (N. Afr.), Lavigerie. * American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions est'd. * Cherokee removal. * Missionary outposts move West to Pacific (Whitman in OR). #T97 * War b/w Union & Confederacy has little impact on misso sending. * 2nd Awakening: Asbury, Campbell, Beachler, Nettleton, Finney. * Student Volunteer Movement (Mott,) * Ship: The Duff, primary transport 'n. #T199 * Williams #T207, Geddie, Patteson #T220, Paton #T213, Father Damien, Chalmers, Williams, Florence Young #223 * Hawaii: Bingham #T203, Coan, de Yeuster (RC). 	
Americas					
Pacific	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Cortez brings Franciscan Friars to plant missions in California. 				

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