



Malyon
THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

UNIT OUTLINE

EM001-5/6/812, Mission Perspectives

Description	Cross-cultural mission has always had a critical place in the Christian church. Most New Testament documents were written for mission situations whose cultural contexts also need to be appreciated. Much of church history is the story of the spread of Christianity, and how believers addressed the issues they faced in various contexts. Contemporary Australia has people from many ethnic backgrounds and sub-cultures. Taking these factors into account, a grasp of mission perspectives is important wherever we minister, as they can help bring a better understanding of how God has dealt with people in different situations, and how he still interacts with people's lives today. The principles addressed in this unit have direct relevance and application to any Christian church or individual serious about reaching the community in which they live as well as powerfully touching people from different cultures who live far away.	
Content	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The biblical witness to the mission of God.2. The expansion of the Christian movement.3. Cultural factors affecting mission today.4. Strategies and issues in contemporary mission.5. Mobilizing local churches to support mission.	
Study modes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• In-class• online	
Assessment*	AQF 5, 6 and 8	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Historical Essay2. Interview Report3. Research Assignment
Textbook	Winter, Ralph D. and Steven C. Hawthorne, eds. 1999. <i>Perspectives on the World Christian Movement</i> . 4 th ed. Pasadena: Carey.	

* Assessment items may be subject to change without prior notice