

**DEEPER LIFE BIBLE CHURCH NL | SUNDAY SEMINAR | 26 APR 2026**  
**OUR COLLECTIVE DUTY IN REACHING OUR NATION**

***Bible Reading: Nehemiah 4:6-20; Matthew 28:18-20***

God does not advance His work through isolated individuals alone but through a united people who pray, sacrifice, labour, and persevere together. *Accelerated Country Evangelisation* is a divine strategy to accelerate evangelism and capture our cities for Christ. Reaching our nation is not the responsibility of a few ministers but the collective duty of the whole Church. As the people in Nehemiah's day had a mind to work and built together (Neh 4:6), so must we rise together in vision, burden, and action. The fulfilment of this mandate rests on two urgent responsibilities: prayerful and purposeful pursuit and faithful and fruitful partnership.

**PRAYERFUL AND PURPOSEFUL PURSUIT**

Before every spiritual conquest comes prevailing prayer. The Lord said the harvest is plenteous, but the labourers are few and commanded us to pray for labourers (Mat 9:37-38). The early Church prayed for boldness and received power to witness (Acts 4:29-31). We must pray for open doors (Col 4:3), boldness (Eph 6:19), conviction of sinners (John 16:8), protection of workers (2 Thes 3:1-2), and revival in every city (Hab 3:2). ACE without prayer becomes activity without power, for it is ***“not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord of hosts”*** (Zech 4:6).

Prayer must lead to purposeful pursuit. Christ commanded us to ***“Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled”*** (Luke 14:23). The early believers ***“went everywhere preaching the word”*** (Acts 8:4). We are not called to maintain a territory but to take territories for Christ. Regions beyond must hear the gospel. ***“And he said unto them, Let us go into the next towns, that I may preach there also: for therefore came I forth”*** (Mark 1:38) Every believer must move from observation to participation. No spectator Christianity can fulfil a missionary mandate.

**FAITHFUL AND FRUITFUL PARTNERSHIP**

The work of reaching a nation demands sacrifice, stewardship, and unity. ***“It is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful”*** (1 Cor 4:2). The Philippian believers supported gospel work sacrificially (Phil 4:15-19), and Scripture teaches that bountiful sowing brings bountiful reaping (2 Cor 9:6-8). Resources are needed for tracks, publicity, transport, mission support, and follow-up. Where treasure goes, burden follows (Mat 6:21).

Cities are captured when the Church works together. In Nehemiah's day, the people built with one heart (Neh 4:6). The early Church continued in unity and fellowship (Acts 2:44-47). Everyone has a place in this mission: praying members (1 Thes 5:17), outreach teams (Mark 16:15), follow-up workers (Acts 14:21-22), helpers (Luke 8:3), givers (Phil 4:15-17), encouragers (Heb 10:24-25), disciple-makers (2 Tim 2:2), and organisers (1 Cor 14:40). When every joint supplies, the body increases (Eph 4:16).

Our goals are clear: souls saved (Acts 2:41), converts established (Acts 14:22), fellowships strengthened (Rom 16:5), churches planted (Acts 16:5), and communities impacted (Mat 5:14-16). Though obstacles such as fear, apathy, materialism, and discouragement exist, our resources are greater: Holy Spirit power (Acts 1:8), the Word of God (Rom 1:16), prayer, people, finances, time, and testimonies.

ACE is not somebody else's assignment; it is our collective duty. We must pray, give, go, labour, and persevere until our nation is reached. If we unite in prayer, sacrifice, and action, the Lord will fight for us (Neh 4:20). The harvest is ready, the cities are waiting, and the time is now. Let every believer respond: ***“Here am I; send me”*** (Isa 6:8).

Saturday 16 May is the turn of Utrecht. The Outreach Team has given us their PLEA:

- P** → Participate in prayers
- L** → Link us with your contacts in and around Utrecht
- E** → Engage in the outreach on 16 May
- A** → Act as if it only depends on you

***“Let us go up at once, and possess it; for we are well able to overcome it”*** – Numbers 13:30