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Awakening Impact Ministries Vision



The vision of Awakening Impact Ministries (AIM) is based on Isaiah 49¹. This is the reason for the logo being of a man shooting an arrow.

The call of the ministry was conceived in 1986, but I knew that the timing wasn't right yet. All I knew at that time were the letters AIM and the scripture:

ISAIAH 49:2
AND HE HAS MADE MY MOUTH LIKE A SHARP SWORD;
IN THE SHADOW OF HIS HAND HE HAS HIDDEN ME,
AND MADE ME A POLISHED SHAFT;
IN HIS QUIVER HE HAS HIDDEN ME."

So the acronym AIM (Awakening Impact Ministries) relates to aiming the arrow.

Awakening

- A. The fruitfulness of the ministry gift on my life is to be a fire-starter. Whether that is at a church level, a people group level or at a national level, again and again the Lord has used His grace and gifting on my life to bring revival.
- B. The main vision of AIM is to bring awakening of the largest reformation of the century the Father heart of God to have sons and daughters growing from glory to glory,
- C. The message is also that Father God is wanting a glorious Bride who will be victorious and worthy of His Son Jesus Christ. Therefore the message is also one having a victorious eschatology: that the knowledge of the glory of the Lord will cover the earth.
- D. Having a glorious Bride will mean the the apostolic ministry will be involved in church planting, and reaching unreached people groups so that all nations and peoples can worship before the throne of God. Therefore its primary focus is the 10/40 window.²
- E. The other part of the plan of God is to have a Temple for His Spirit. Therefore AIM teaches and believes in the importance of outworked holiness and righteousness in its leaders whilst maintaining grace towards those working out their salvation.³
- F. A core element to AIM is evangelism through crusades and therefore the development of people to move in the power of God through healings and signs and wonders.

¹ The head of the arrow is the gift, the shaft is the character and the feathers are wisdom. The quiver is the hiding place of moving from being called to being chosen

² A missiological term meaning 10deg North of the Equator to 40deg South of the equator where most unreached people groups are found.

³ Because of the breakthrough nature of the ministry, it is recognised that ministries and ministers might 'fail'. The vision of AIM includes restoration of ministries where possible and that 'failure' whether moral or 'lack of success', is only a failure if the person chooses not to learn from it. David 'failed', Moses 'failed' Elijah 'failed', however we are under the dispensation of grace that will enable us to breakthrough into victory. (He who is without sin, cast the first stone). This does not mean that repeated moral failure will be considered acceptable.

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- 2. Impact
- A. These sons and daughters are to be full of faith and
- B. with demonstration of power, and
- C. be people of wisdom, who will mature the body of Christ through the ministry gifts they carry.
- D. Central to the vision of AIM is to bring people out of being 'orphans' to being heirs of God and co-heirs with Jesus Christ
- E. They will carry the 'DNA' of the ministry's founder of being people who will carry a breakthrough anointing to destroy the works of the devil through the anointing and the glory.
- F. The vision of the ministry includes bringing all its leaders into a deeper personal relationship with God and a recognition that it is out of His Presence that power and glory flows and that Presence is to be valued over anointing.
- G. It also means that to have an impact, leaders are to develop a balanced life so that they can impact the world. In other words they value their relationship with God and family, especially their spouse, above their ministry.
- H. Due to the diverse cultures AIM is intending to reach out to, central to the ministry is the teaching of:

ACTS 15:28-29

FOR IT SEEMED GOOD TO THE HOLY SPIRIT, AND TO US, TO LAY UPON YOU NO GREATER BURDEN THAN THESE NECESSARY THINGS: THAT YOU ABSTAIN FROM THINGS OFFERED TO IDOLS, FROM BLOOD, FROM THINGS STRANGLED, AND FROM SEXUAL IMMORALITY. IF YOU KEEP YOURSELVES FROM THESE, YOU WILL DO WELL.

I. To maintain revival AIM's vision is to provide a culture of high ethics between AIM and the affiliated ministries and will provide training to ensure that leaders have the same culture.⁴

⁴ Poor ministerial ethics is one of the major reasons for failure of revivals to mature

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3. Ministries

- A. AIM values those who have an apostolic and prophetic mantle which the founder has, but at the same time recognises and develops the other three ministry gifts.
- B. It will use wisdom in encouraging the other ministry gifts to seek ministry fulfilment through being planted in churches for longer periods of time as the Trinity leads.
- C. AIM recognises that ministries need to be autonomous but also accountable. Therefore teachableness is considered to be a core value of those in leadership in the ministry.
- D. In planting churches, initially apostolic authority is central but as the church develops it will become based on a senior leader surrounded by an eldership and deacons. Apostolic authority may be retained with the planting apostle/prophet or developed within the church under the direction of AIM senior leadership.
- E. A core element of the vision of AIM is training and development of leaders.
- F. Initially the ministry will provide teaching to established Bible Schools to the Certificate and Diploma level as government requirements allow, but it is the long-term vision to have AIM Bible schools as the Lord leads and provides.
- G. AIM recognises the local church as being a highly important expression of the kingdom of God, but not the only expression of the kingdom of God on earth. For clarity AIM recognises governmental, entrepreneurial and other forms of work as valid expressions of His Kingdom.
- H. Because of the focus on Presence, the vision of AIM includes the development of music, lyrics, and worship ministries as well as creative arts.
- I. AIM recognises that denominations may have different names but that believers in all denominations can work together in unity through apostolic relationship.
- J. AIM has a vision for women to find and develop their ministries⁵. Where women are married to their spouse who is in the ministry, AIM will encourage that they are properly supported by their husband and that the ministry demands do not negatively affect their relationship.
- K. The ministry will provide sound teaching based on Father-Son theology so that leaders will have the necessary resources to train others.
- L. Other ministries, besides the five fold ministries identified in Ephesians 4 will be encouraged and developed. For this reason another core vision of AIM is to provide mentoring as people desire it.
- M. AIM recognises the mercy and help ministries that many are involved in. Although this is not the primary vision of AIM, the ministry will provide time and funds AS they are SPECIFIED in giving from donors to the ministry.

⁵ Romans 16:7 Junia was a woman apostle of note