

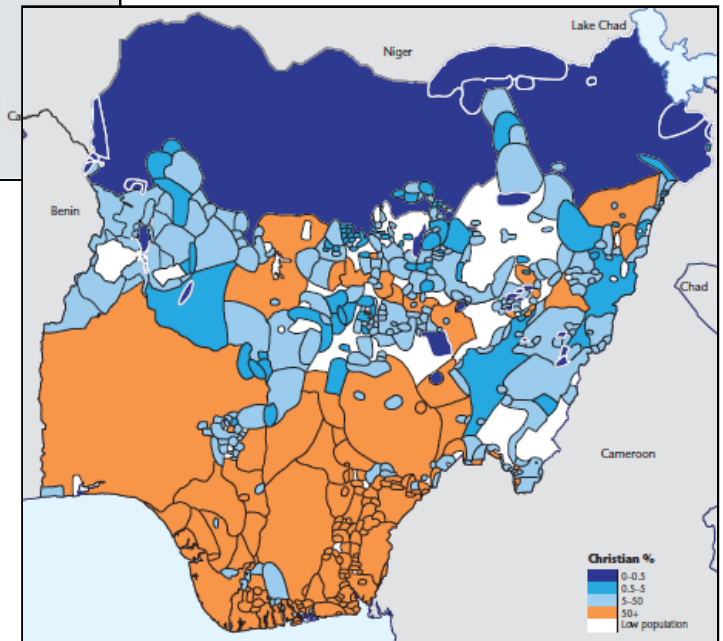
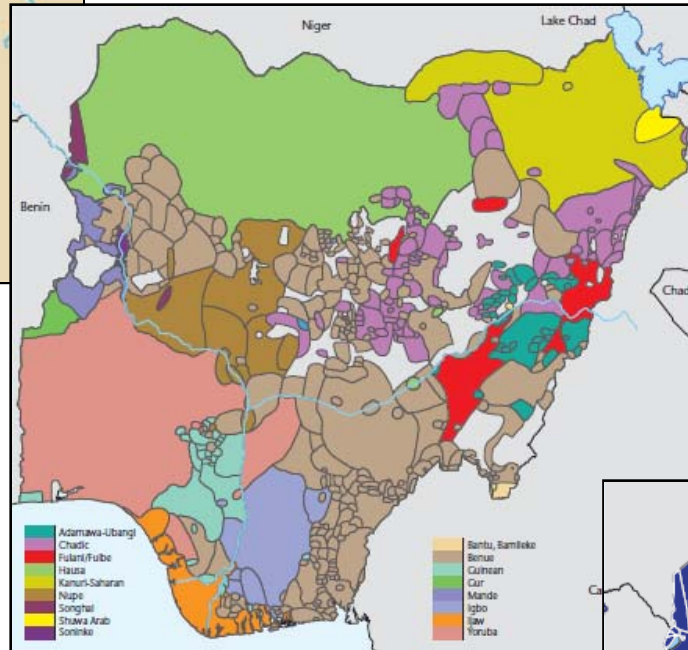
Why People Groups?

“Therefore go and make disciples of all the nations [ethne]”

ethne = people group

What are Unreached Peoples?

Of the approximately 17,000 people groups in the world, about 7,000 are considered unreached. This means they do not have an indigenous Kingdom movement in their midst capable of reaching the rest of the group. These people groups need pioneer missionary teams to minister among them, learn the language and culture, train indigenous leaders, and establish disciple-making movements capable of evangelizing the rest of the people group.



1 a political perspective
(one country) ↑

3 a reachedness perspective
(Muslim in north, Christian in south, conflict where they overlap) ↓

Countries or Nations?

When Jesus said *“make disciples of all the nations”* what did He mean by *“nations”*? He was not referring to political countries like the United States, Nigeria or Laos. The political countries of the world looked very different when Jesus gave this command. Jesus used the Greek word *“ethne”* from which we get the English term ethnic group or people group. For example, in the one country of Nigeria there are over 540 distinct people groups. Jesus’ command is to make disciples in all the ethnic people groups in the world.

2 a ethne perspective
(over 540 distinct people groups each needing a church planting movement in their midst) ↑

For lists and profiles of every people group in the world visit:
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