

# First World Problems



**May 24 & 25, 2014**

## **Income facts for the working population of planet earth**

- Average median yearly income in the US per person is \$26,695
- US Federal Minimum Wage is \$7.25 per hour
- Average World Wage is .62 cents per hour

## **Income facts for the working population of planet earth**

- 98% of the working people on the planet make under \$26,695.00 per year (\$13.08 per hour)
- You are in the top 2% of the richest people in the world if you make \$26,695 per year
- 99.69% of the working people on the planet make under \$50,000.00 per year (\$24.51 per hour)

## **Income facts for the working population of planet earth**

- 80% of the working people on the planet make under \$6,700.00 per year (\$3.28 per hour)
- 70% of the working people on the planet make under \$3,000.00 per year (\$1.47 per hour)
- 50% of the working people on the planet make under \$1,270.00 per year (.62 cents per hour)

The Great Commission is every Christian's Mission

## **Constructive Criticism of Western Christians**

- Christians make up 33% of the world's population, but receive 53% of the world's annual income and spend 98% of it on themselves
- 91% of all Christian outreach/evangelism does not target non-Christians, but targets other Christians

- 42% of the world's population is unreached with the Gospel

### **Praise for Western Christians**

- Evangelicals are growing at an annual rate of 2.6%, compared to Islam at 1.9% and Hinduism at 1.2%
- The country with the fastest Christian expansion in history is China, now at 10,000 new converts every day
- In AD 100 there were 360 people for every believer. Now there are 7.3 people for every believer

### **Three things every Christian can do for missions**

#### 1. Pray

- 86 countries prohibit or restrict Western missionaries
- Some 65-70% of the world's population live in religiously restrictive countries
- Pray for hearts to be opened to Jesus
- Pray for God to send missionaries

#### 2. Give

- BC Missions
  - We support 15 International Bible Schools
  - Four missionaries living on the field
  - Jews for Jesus

#### 3. Go

- Nothing impacts a Christians life more than a foreign missions trip

### **Giving Project for this weekend**

Greg Miller and family (Church Planting Missionary to Guatemala)

- Pioneers churches, where there are no churches, in the mountains around Zacapa
- Needs \$15,000.00 to purchase a much needed truck
- Eric Thompson's life changing experience