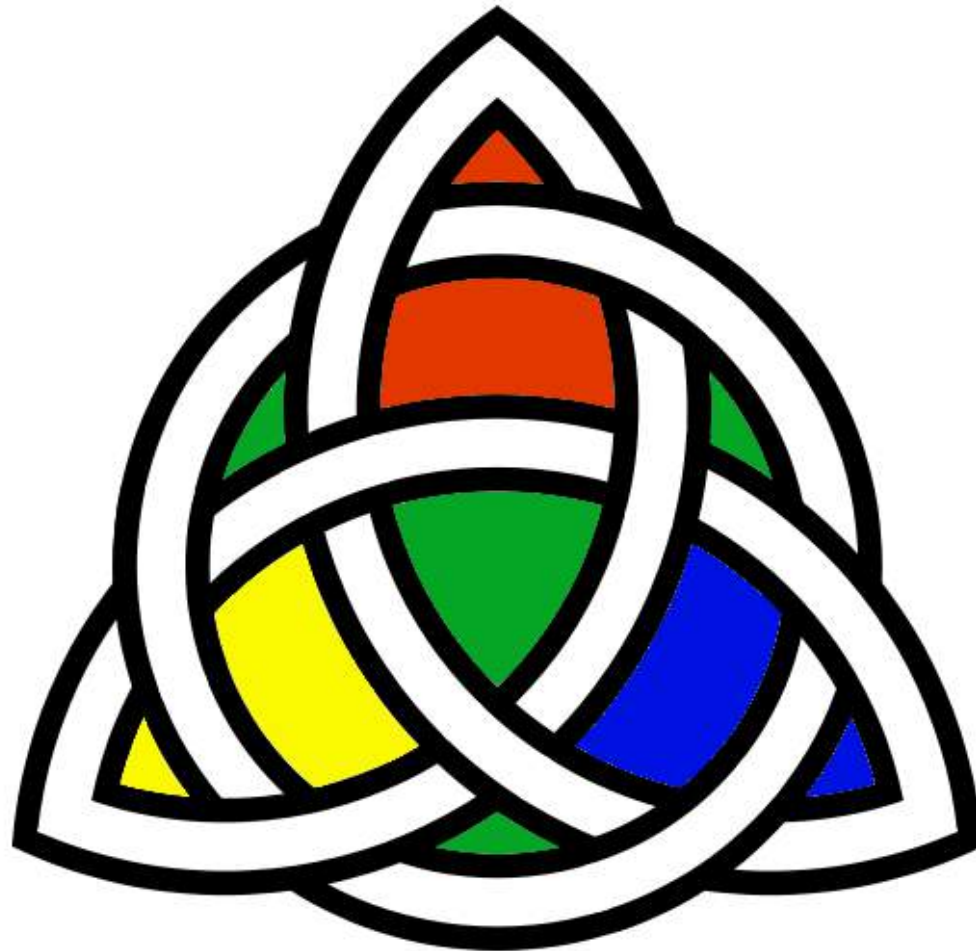


Convergence:

Recapturing the Power of Community
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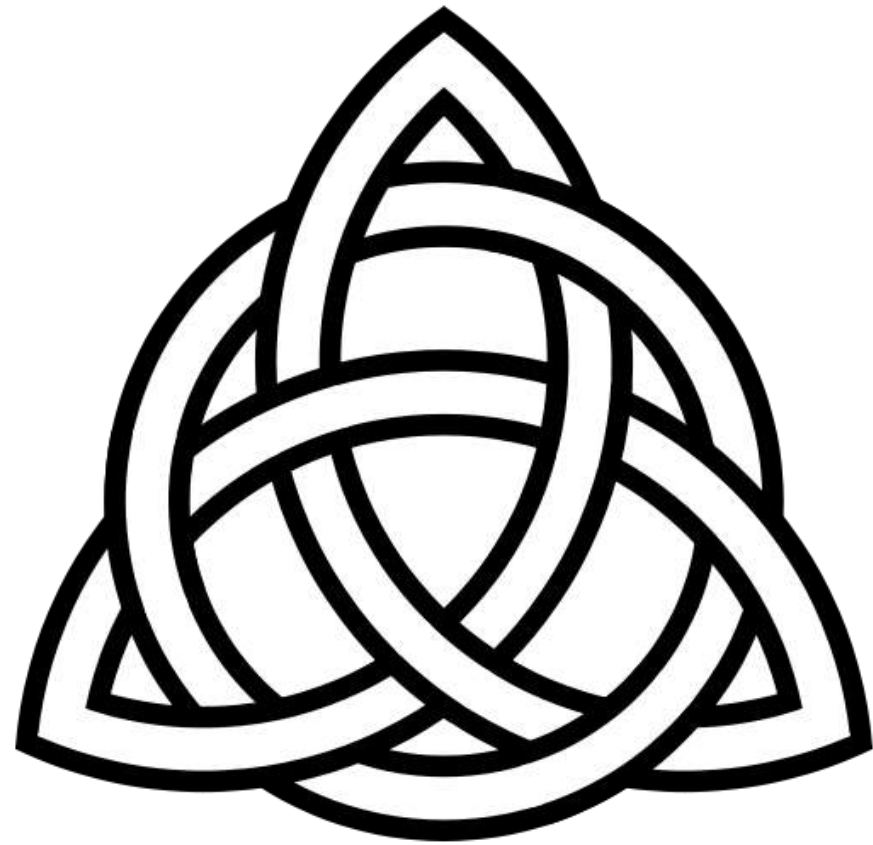


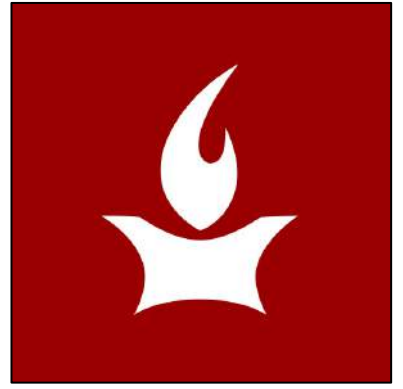
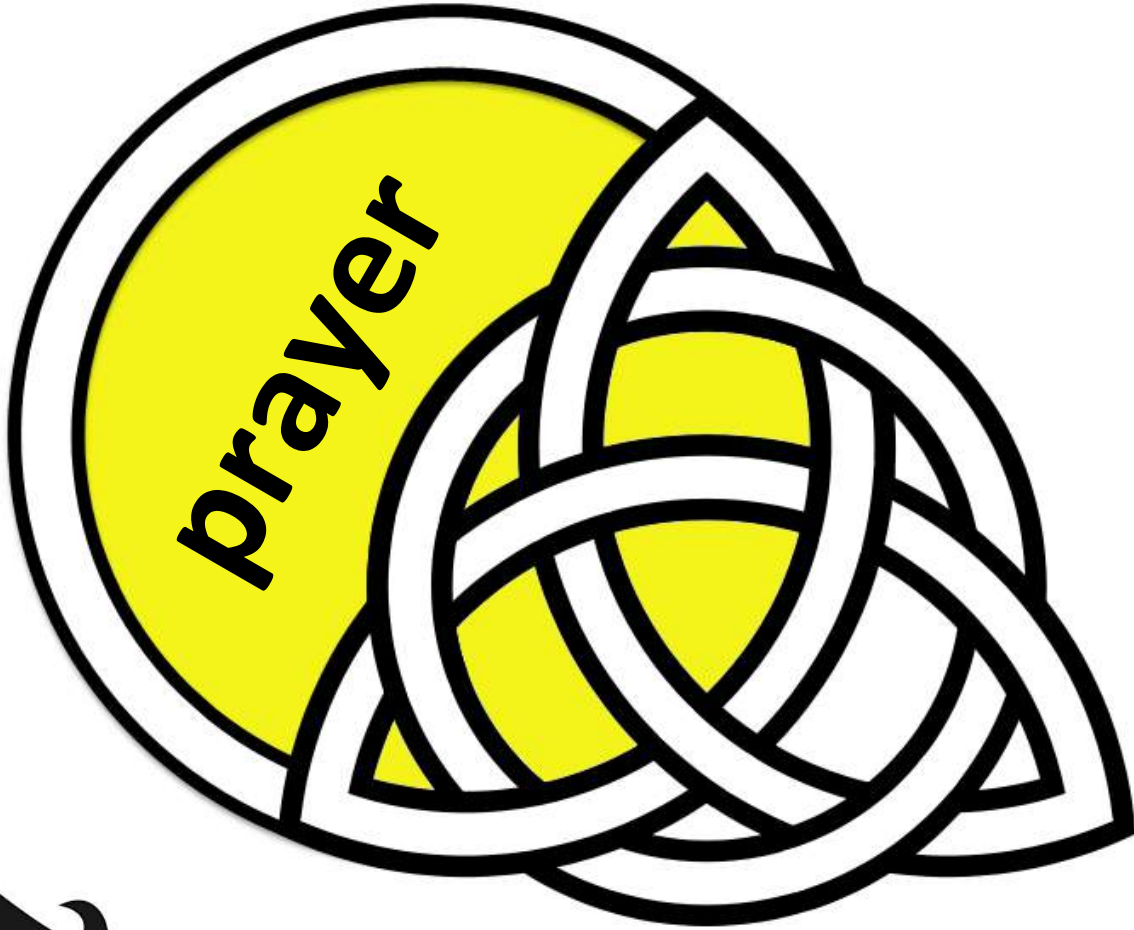
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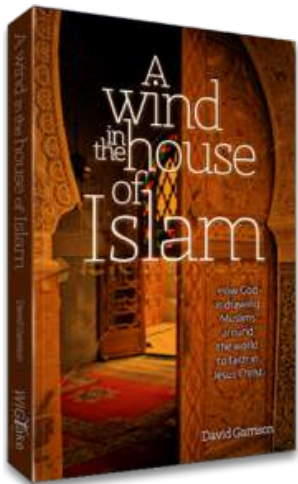
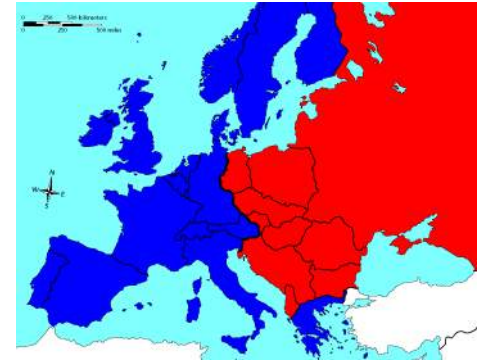
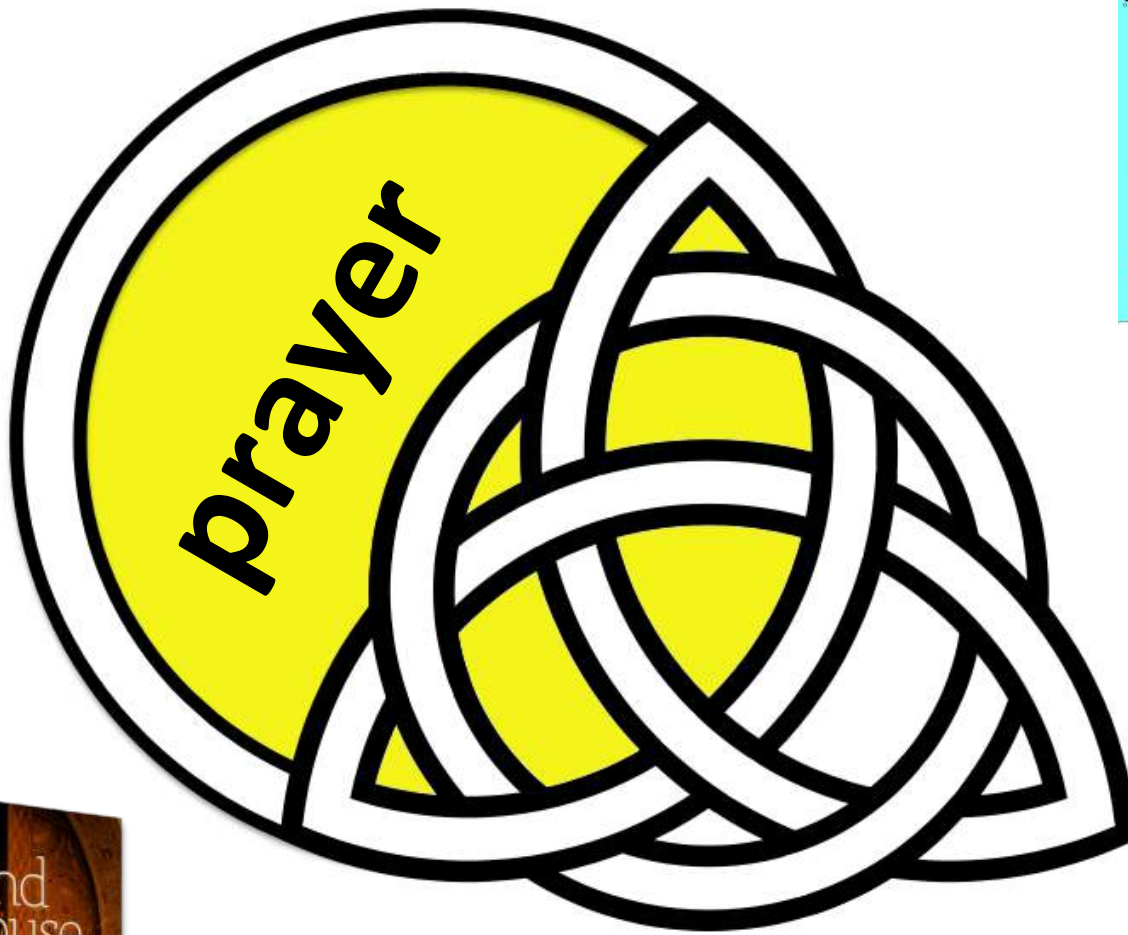
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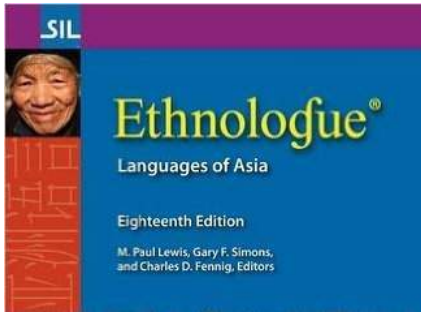
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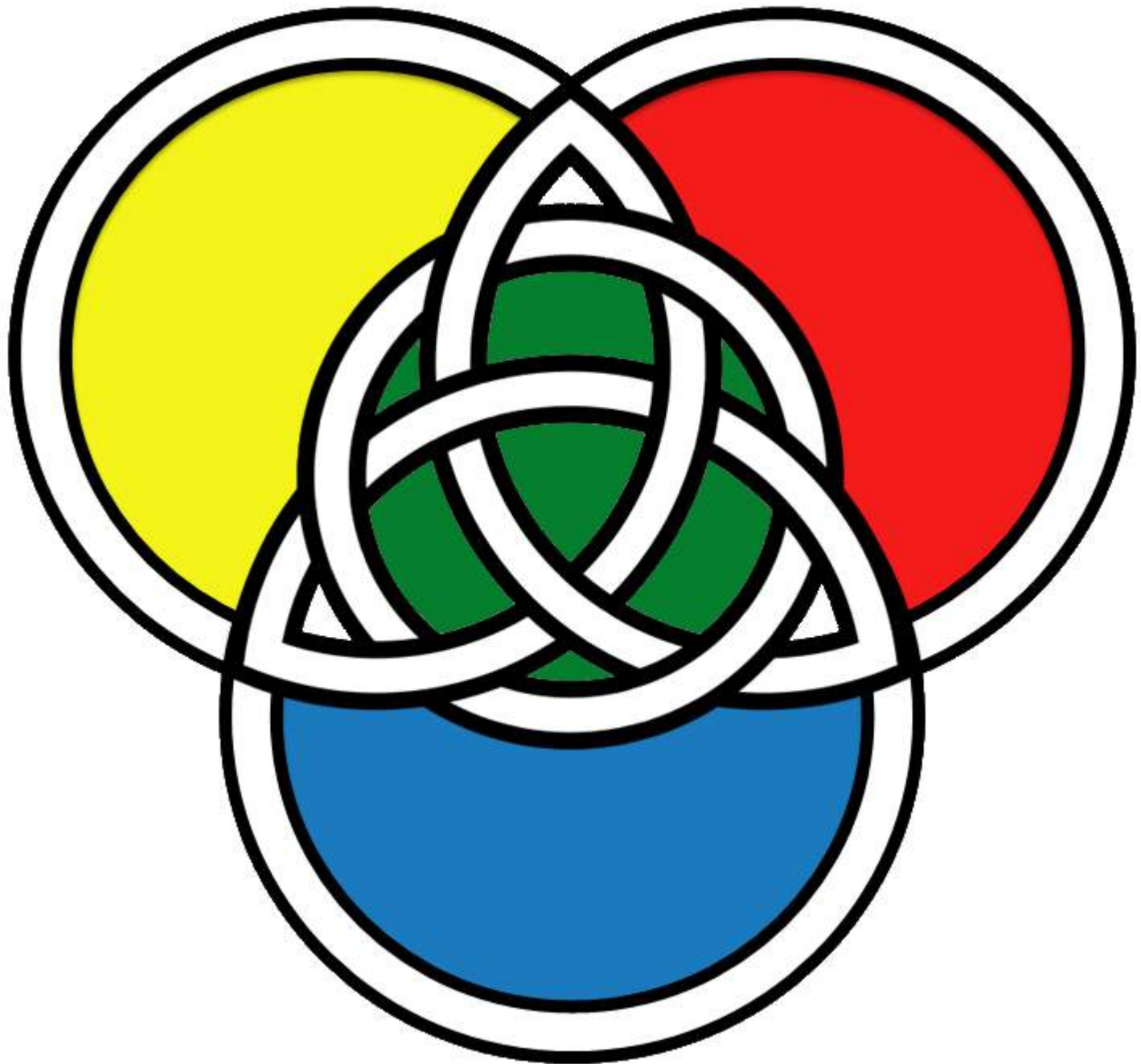


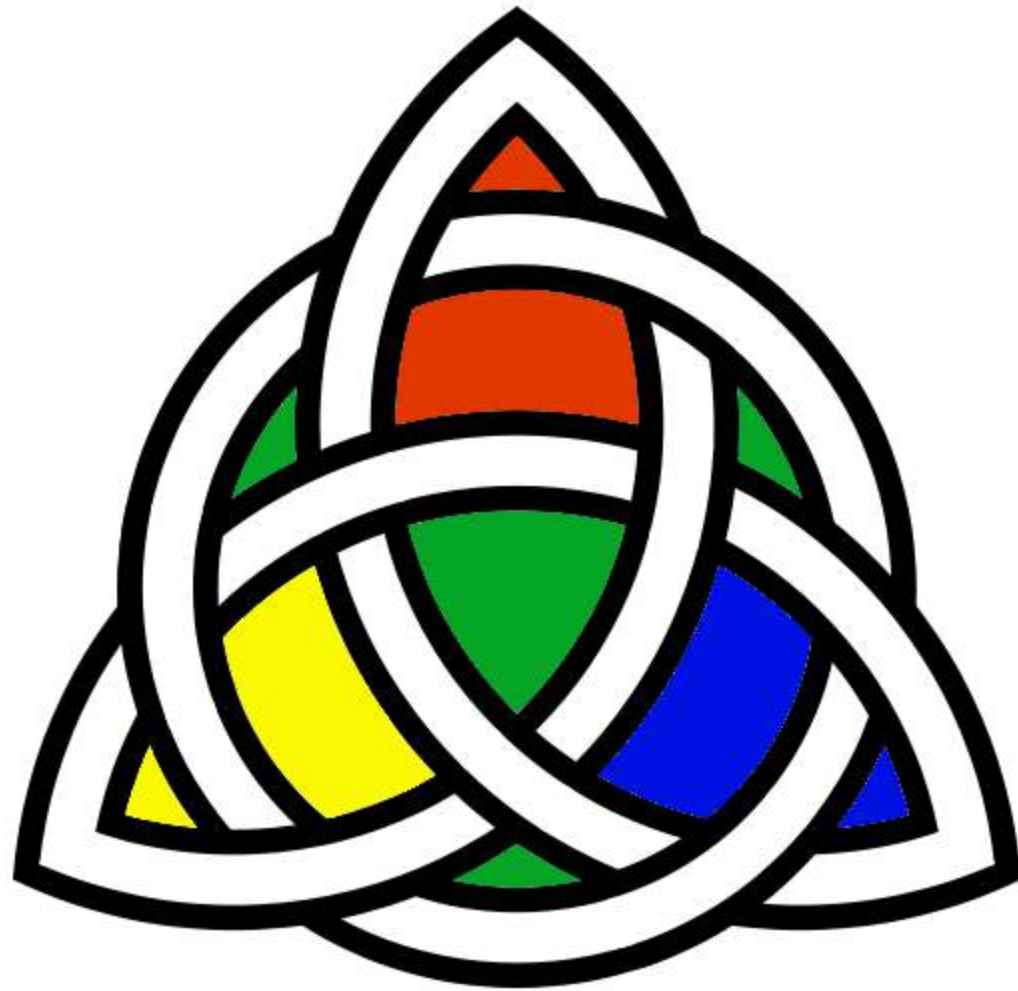
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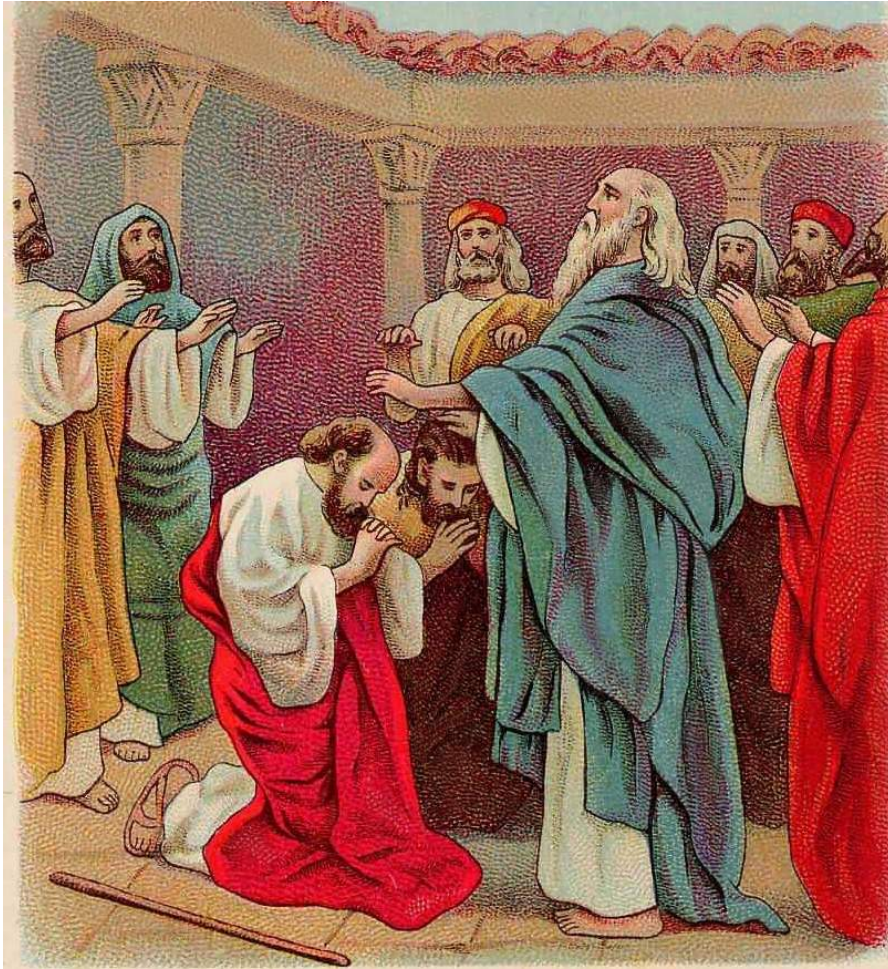




mission







Acts: The 1st Century Church



Celtic Monastic Communities





Herrnhutt: Moravian Revival

OPERATION WORLD

JESUS said:
 „Go ye into all the WORLD and preach the gospel
 to every creature.”
 (Mk. 16:15.)

GOD promised:
 „Ask of Me and I will give thee . . . the uttermost part
 of the EARTH for thy possession.”
 (Ps. 2:8)

Asia

INTRODUCTION TO ASIA

Two out of every three people in the world live in Asia. In the order of their total population are only 12 out of 100 people. This means that a heathen would have to ask 100 people before he could find a Christian, but more than two Christians are born a week out of this number. **Large areas of Asia have recently heard of Christ, and SATAN'S FORCES ARE AT WORK** to keep out the light that is breaking for Christ in many lands. The old heathen religions are losing a firm grip of men's minds. India's Hinduism and E. Asia's Buddhism are becoming increasingly unattractive and increasingly hostile to Christianity. Men are being opened up to Christianity and increasingly independent in their thinking. Men are being opened up to Christianity and increasingly responsive to Christian work. In fact, many Muslim lands are becoming increasingly opened to Christianity.

The Communists already control most of the continent (see next) and are seeking for all means to conquer the rest. Since 1949 the red people in 4 countries have come under the control of Communist Communism. The Church has registered itself in 2 free countries and has a strong political influence in at least 3 others. The Chinese have shown themselves to be more successful in dominating the world Church than the Russians.

The small Christian Church needs our prayer. Some already know what it is to suffer for Christ, but in general the Christians are not ready for times of persecution. There is a great need of Christian witness who are on fire for God. The needs of all these nations cannot be met unless the Church of Jesus Christ should have greater witness. Witness is essential both to strengthen the Church and to obey Christ's command to go into all the world to preach the gospel. The time is very short.

May we have the attitude of our Master:—

„And when he came out SAW MUCH PEOPLE and was moved with compassion towards them, because they were as sheep not having a shepherd.” (Matt. 9:10)

MALAYSIA

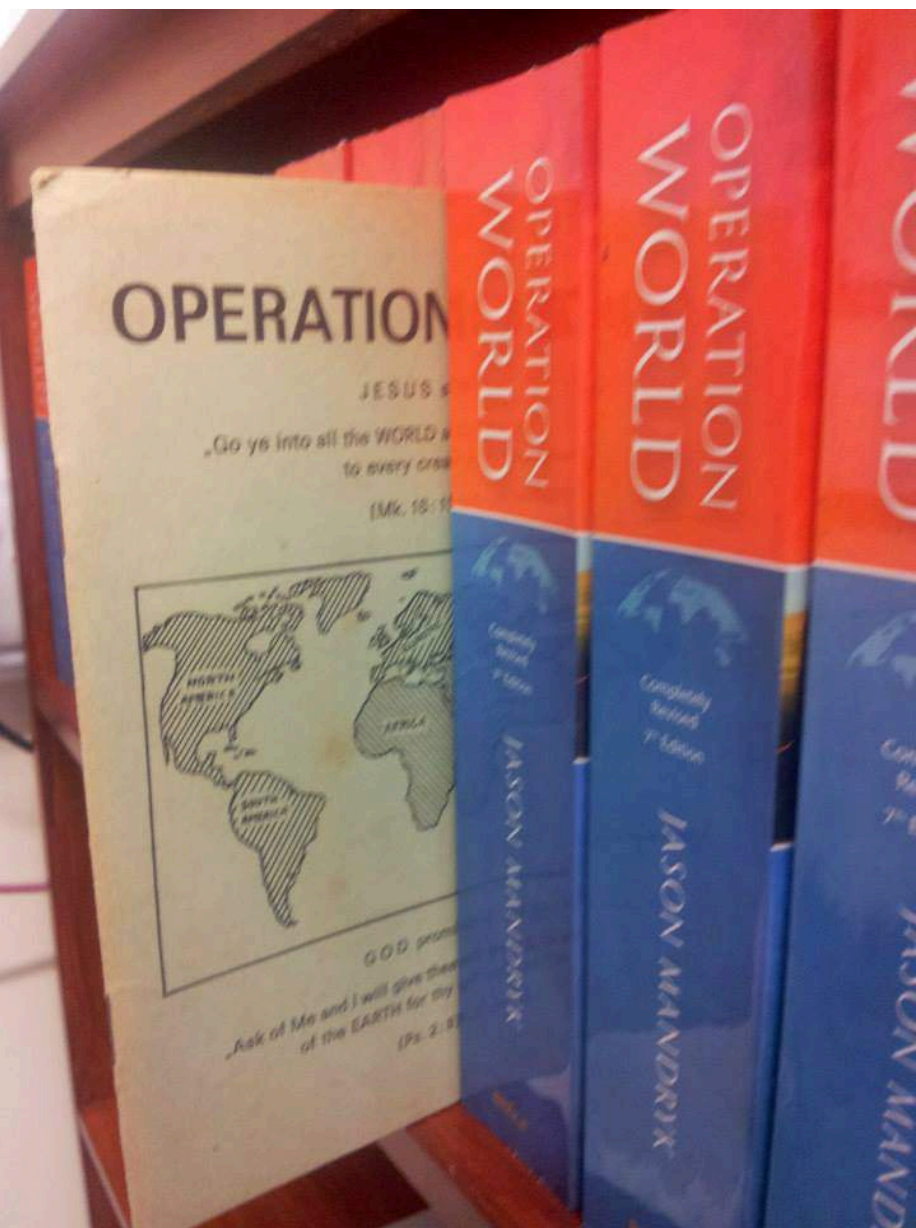
Malaya gained independence in 1957 after 115 years of British rule. The 21,000,000 Malays make up less than half of the pop. but they control the country. The Malaya are Muslim and the population makes it hard to convert them to Christianity. There is a great need of Christian witness who are on fire for God. The needs of all these nations cannot be met unless the Church of Jesus Christ should have greater witness. Witness is essential both to strengthen the Church and to obey Christ's command to go into all the world to preach the gospel. The time is very short.

1952 the British ruled part of Borneo separated with Malaya, but now British Indonesia is seeking to unite and govern these territories. There are 40,000 Protestant Christians and 200 national workers.

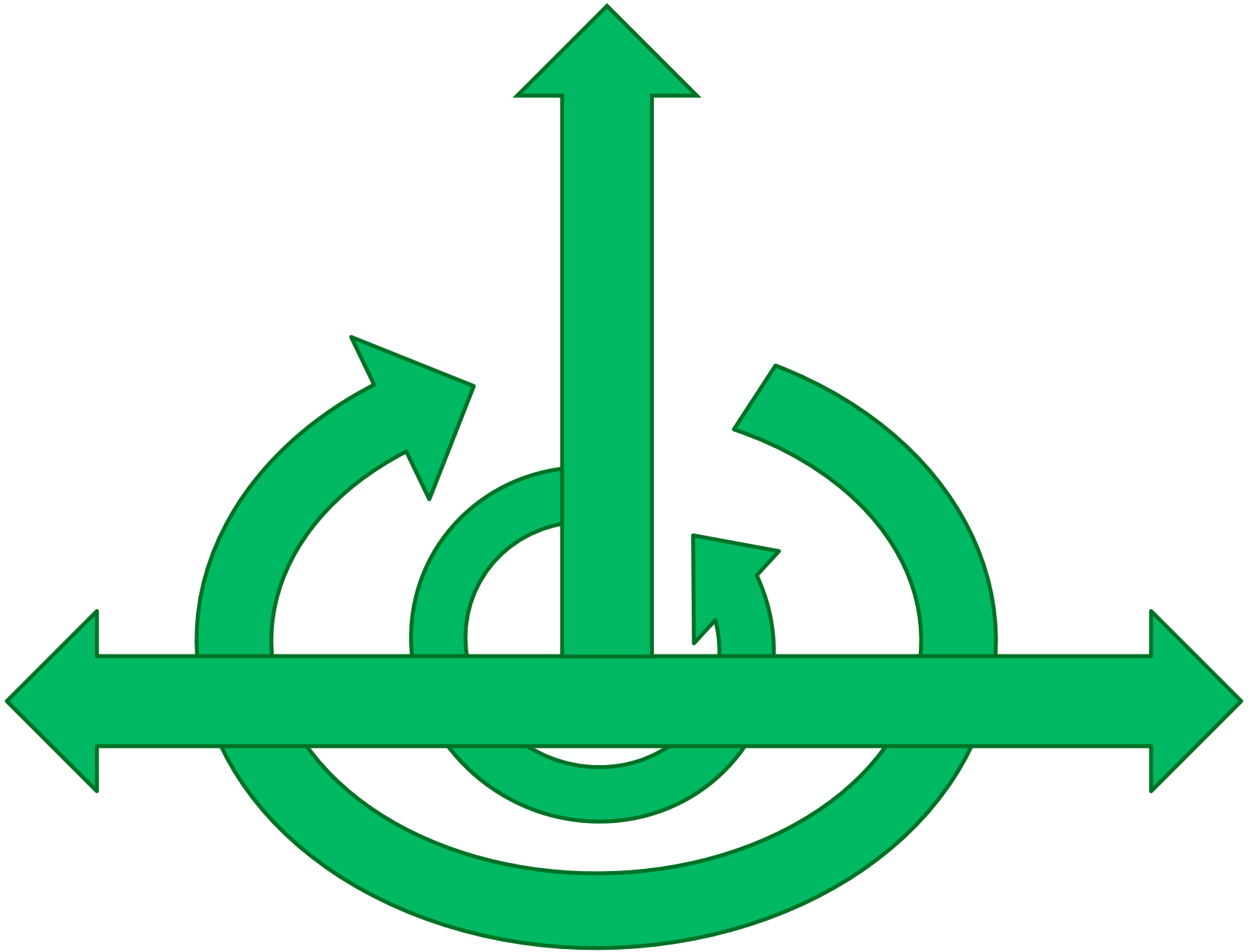
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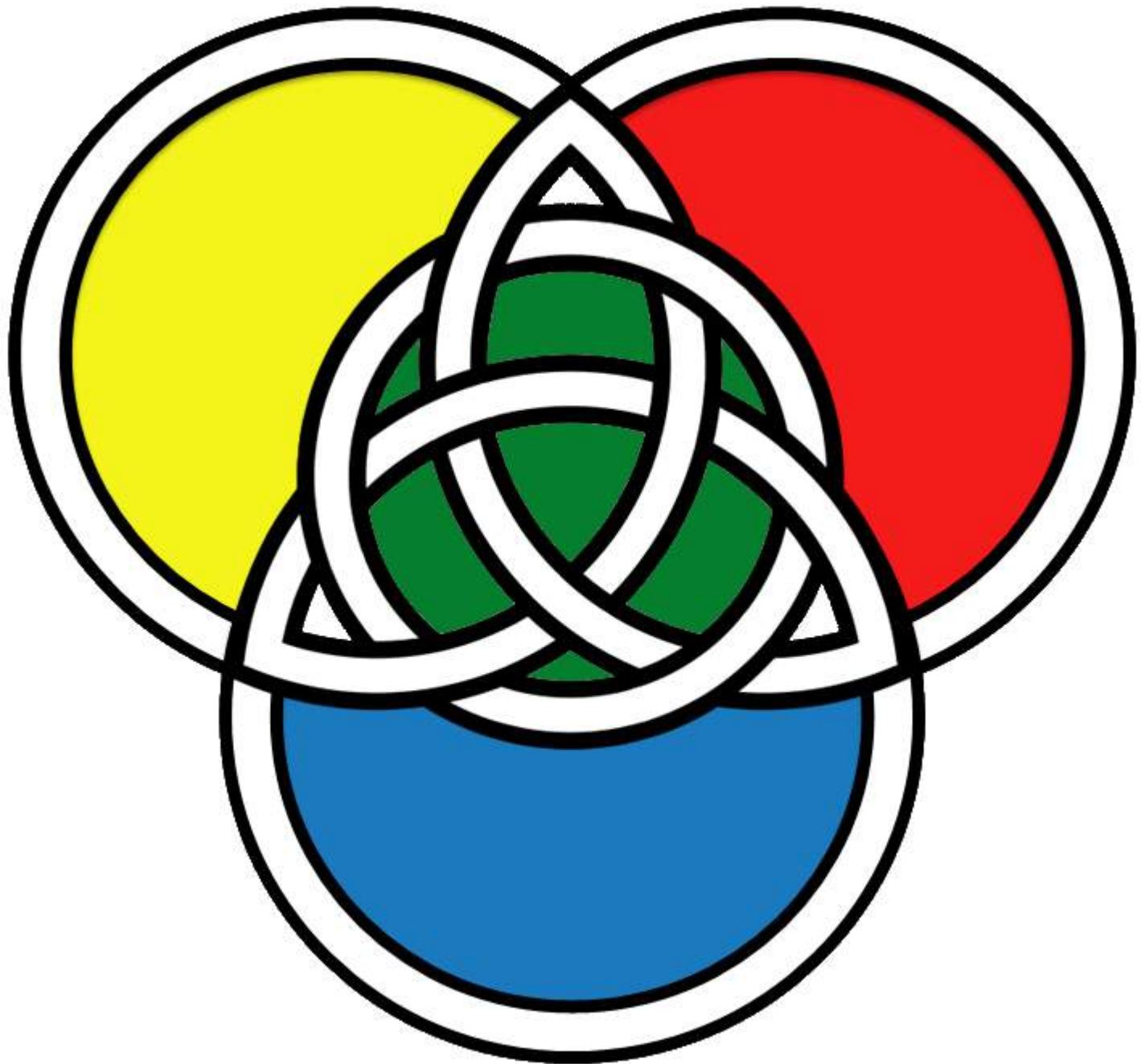
1. The C.M.M. have a few workers who are ready to witness in Singapore in Christ, but make first a breakthrough for a breakthrough for God amongst these seemingly unreachable people.
2. There have been recent conversions amongst Muslims through radio evangelism. This has the witness and a harvest of souls.
3. Many of the other national groups may be influenced for Christ and that reach the Malaya.
4. The total pop. was gathered into 100 British villages during the latter Communist rule. This was followed into 1950 British villages during the latter Communist rule. This was followed into 1950 British villages during the latter Communist rule. This was followed into 1950 British villages during the latter Communist rule.

Operation World: Weeks of Prayer



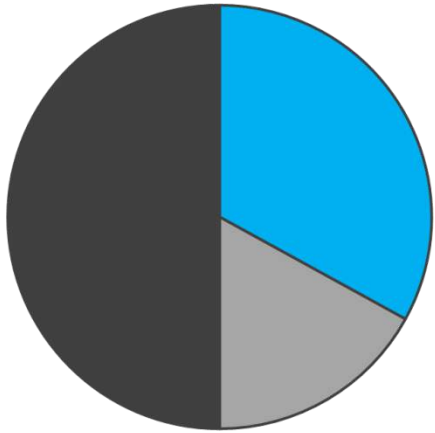






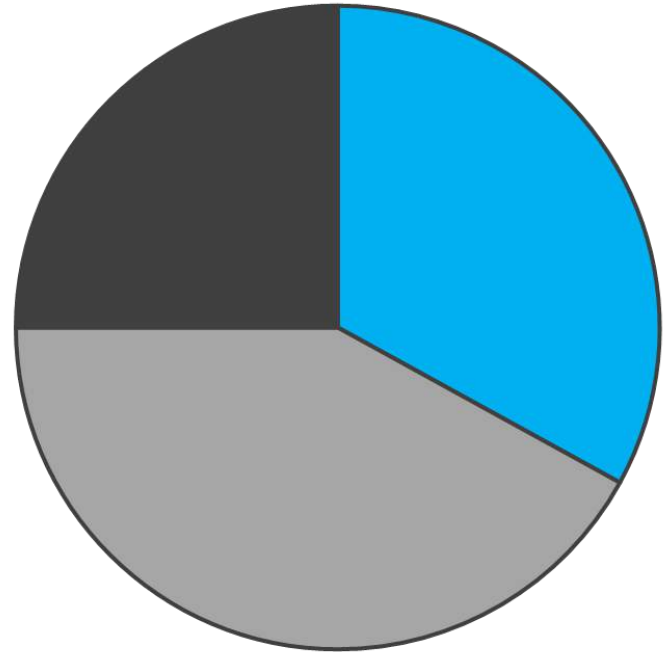


1960



**50% = 1.5
billion**

2015



**29% = 2.1
billion**



