

Our Navigators PCI Journey

Responding to Poverty, Corruption & Injustice by Discipling for Blessing, Righteousness and Justice

The Context of Our Foundational Promises

- Isaiah 54:1-3 “resettle the desolate cities.”
- Isaiah 58 “divide your bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into the house.”
- Isaiah 60:22 – 61:4 “The smallest one will become a thousand, and the least one a mighty nation.... Bring good news to the afflicted.”

The Core Refocusing

- *Our Calling*: “The Gospel of Jesus and His Kingdom”
- *Our Values*: “The dignity and value of every person”; “Families and relational networks in discipling the nations.”
- *Our Vision*: “A heart for the whole person.... Compassion for the vulnerable and broken.... Bringing joy and hope to their surrounding environments.... Relationships are healed and justice increases.”

A Long Obedience

- 2003 *International Council* request for help with perspective on money in our mission
- 2004 *Money and The Navigators*: Holistic Discipleship Work Group
- 2008 *International Team* Enabling Perspectives*
- 2011 *Responding Biblically to Poverty, Corruption & Injustice* study published.
- 2012 *International Forum* PCI Affinity Group (as at IF17 & IF23)
- 2013 *PCI Task Force* launched.
- 2015 *IP Selection Council* evidence of spreading change.
- 2017 *PCI Task Force* relaunched to assist *IET strategic PCI leadership*.
- 2024 *PCI Consultation* in Rwanda

Enabling Perspectives from 2008*

- a. Going to the poor *may not be a current priority* for your region, but it may be a priority for a few key people in your region or a future regional priority.
- b. Going to the poor is an *important part of going to and into the nations* in every region. In some cases, going to the poor may be a breakthrough to laying foundations for generations.
- c. Going to the poor *does not always mean starting a special program*. Our primary strategy for going the poor should be through praying and intentionally raising laborers who are infected with the compassion of Jesus and who reach out to the poor through their natural relational networks. (I.e., “Everything will change for some. Something should change for everyone.” - Mutua Mahiaini)
- d. *Affirming the dignity and value of the poor* requires listening to them regarding what they need rather than presuming that we know what they need or prescribing solutions.
- e. *The Core really can be implemented among the poor* with long term generational impact because they may be the most responsive part of the population. We need to develop ministry philosophy and skills that will bring ministering to the poor into the mainstream of The Navigators ministry.

- f. Taking the risks involved in going to the poor often requires more than passive affirmation. It requires *timely and enabling responses from leaders, and active support from a discipling community*.

A Trail of Resources

If you'd like to take a closer look at the kind of fruit flowing from this group, are some video stories and a Bible study that this task force has created. The PCI Task Force has generated dozens of resources and continues to do so. We'll soon publish PCI introductory mini studies for the average Navigator for whom *something* must change. But for today you might take a few minutes to watch or read and you'll be inspired:

- [A Heart for The Whole Person in Ethiopia](#)
- [Discipleship That Changes Everything](#)
- [Discipling for Development in Malawi](#)
- [Transforming Communities Among the Urban Poor](#)
- [Bible Study: Responding Biblically to Poverty, Corruption & Injustice](#)