

Christian Churches Together
Revised Evangelism Exercise
Orthodox Family
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1. Essential elements in a foundational statement:
 - a definition of evangelism, including a confirmation of the unique role of Jesus Christ in our salvation (a Christo-centric statement).
 - the body of Christ is the church and people are brought to Christ's church.
 - the role of faith expressed in culture.
 - divisions among Christians weakens our witness.

2. Essential means or methods as practiced by your family:
 - worship is a means of evangelism.
 - the mission of the church includes the way we live as Christians.

3. Questions to others:
 - Are we ready to accept the cost of evangelism – martyrdom?
 - What are the assumptions we make about local cultures and communities? Do we gain an understanding of the local situation/culture before we evangelize?
 - Is it appropriate to target disadvantaged populations of Christians, mainly in Orthodox countries, for conversion? These actions are threatening the local indigenous Christian populations.