



THE WHOLE WORLD MOBILIZING GO FORWARD!

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Whole World Mobilizing Call to Worship threads together scripture and historical texts that focus on our role as evangelists in the world. The responsive reading is based on the Great Commission as found in the Gospel of Mark (chapter 16) and is then contrasted with William Booth's paraphrase of this same passage, which he wrote in an article called "Go!" [All the World, 1884].

Leader: Go, into all the world.

Response: Jesus replied, "Let us go to the nearby villages, so I can preach there also. That is why I have come." (Mark 1:38)

Leader: Go, into all the world and preach the good news.

Response: And this Gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations. (Matthew 24:14)

Leader: Go, into all the world and preach the good news, to everyone.

Response: For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. (John 3:16-17)

Leader: Go to anybody, everybody, everywhere! (William Booth)

Response: Then the disciples went out and preached everywhere, and the Lord worked with them. (Mark 16:20)

Leader: Get a Barracks at the corner of every street. (William Booth)



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Response: They gathered in such large numbers that there was no room left, not even outside the door, and he preached the word to them. (Mark 2:2)

Leader: Hoist the flag in every port, city, and village. March, sing, play, testify, make a noise.

Response: Go to the lost sheep of Israel. As you go, proclaim this message: 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, drive out demons. Freely you have received; freely give. (Matthew 10:6-8)

Leader: Fill the world with the sound of salvation. (William Booth)

Response: I tell you, now is the time of God's favor; now is the day of salvation. (2 Corinthians 6:2)

All: And the Lord added to their number - daily, those who were being saved. (Acts 2:47)