

# PEOPLE GROUP ADOPTION



# What is People Group Adoption?



**Frontier People Group Adoption is a strategic partnership between believers to see those people groups with the least access or response to the Gospel be reached and have multiplying church-planting movements among them.**

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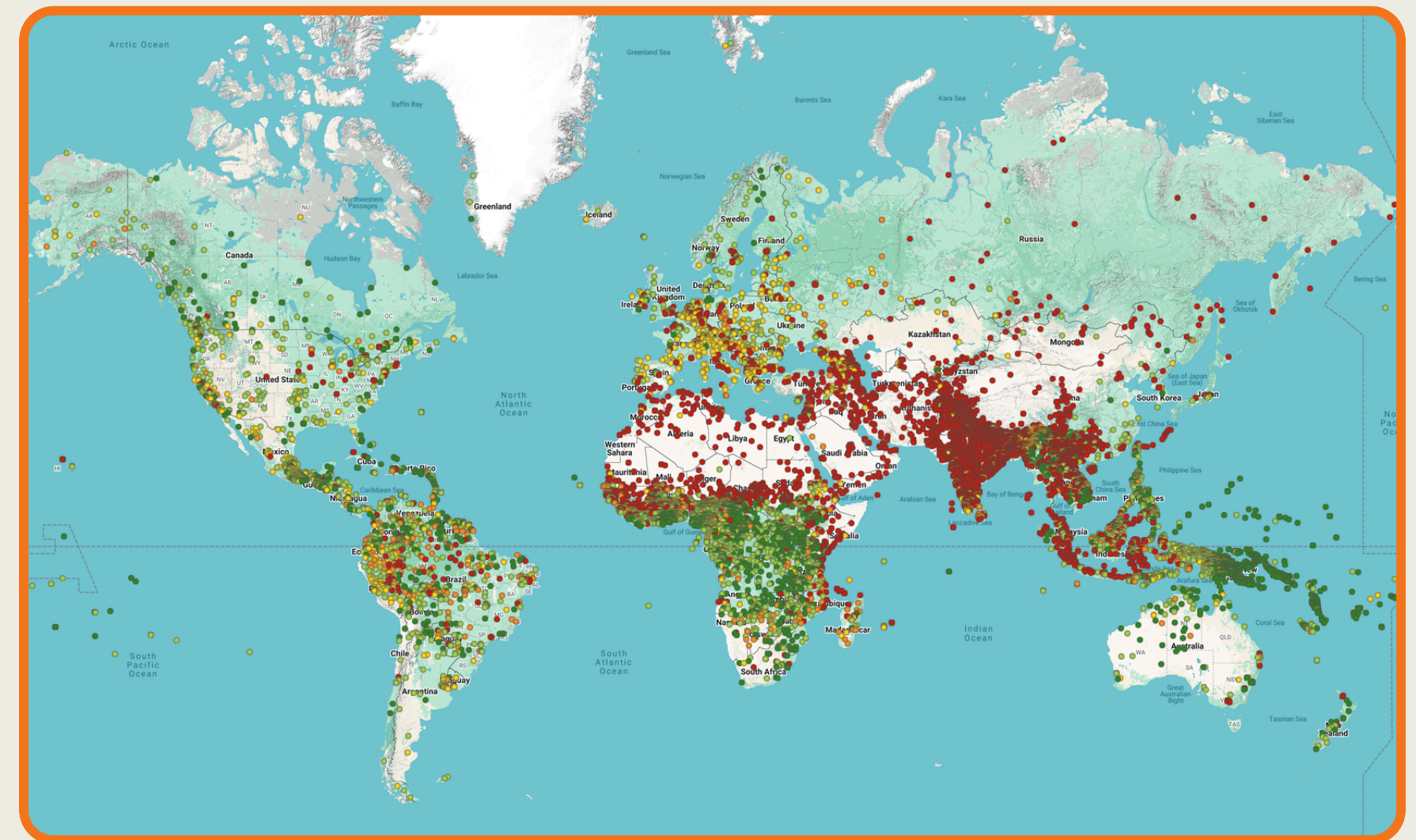


# Who are Frontier People Groups?



Joshua Project defines Frontier People Groups (FPG)s as having fewer than 1 in 1,000 people who follow Christ, with little to no evidence of an existing church planting movement.

Explore FPGs by going to the Joshua Project website. There you will find information on each of these people groups, as well as prayer resoures for specific needs among these groups.



# The **ADOPT** Framework



**A**waken

**D**ecide

**O**rient

**P**ray

**T**eam Up & Take Action



# Awaken

**Awaken to the reality of  
Frontier People Groups and  
why they are the **highest  
priority** in missions.**





# Decide

Decide on a **Frontier People Group** to adopt as a family, small groups, or church, or decide on multiple FPGs to adopt as a larger network or organization.



# Orient

**Orient yourself to the world of your adopted **Frontier People Group** to understand who they are, what they believe, and what their lives are like.**





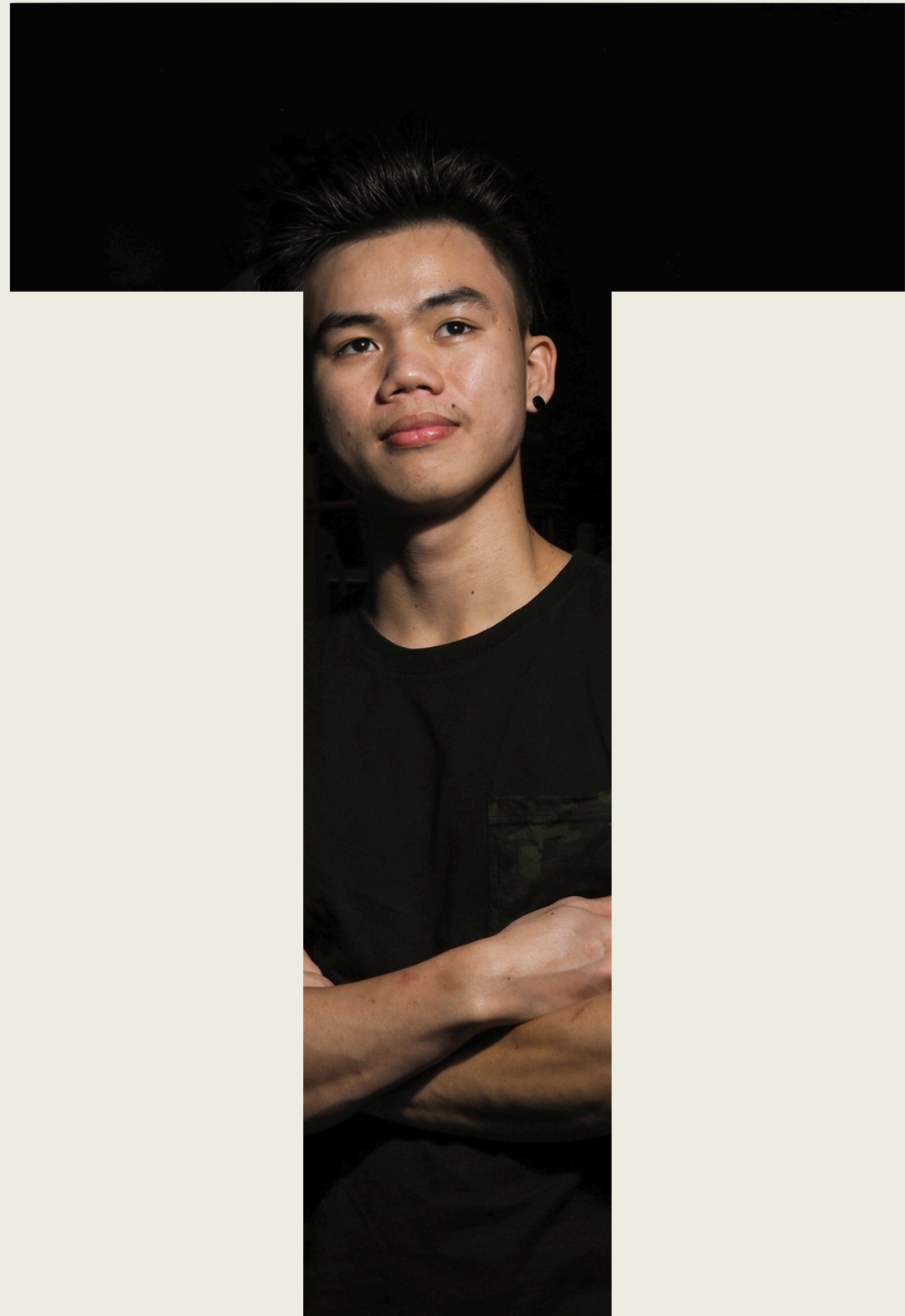
# Pray

Pray **consistently** and **strategically** for open doors, gospel laborers, and spiritual breakthrough among your adopted group.



# Team Up & Take Action

- **Team up with those who will help fill the gaps for effective evangelism and church planting to take place.**
- **Take action by clarifying your role and specific action steps.**



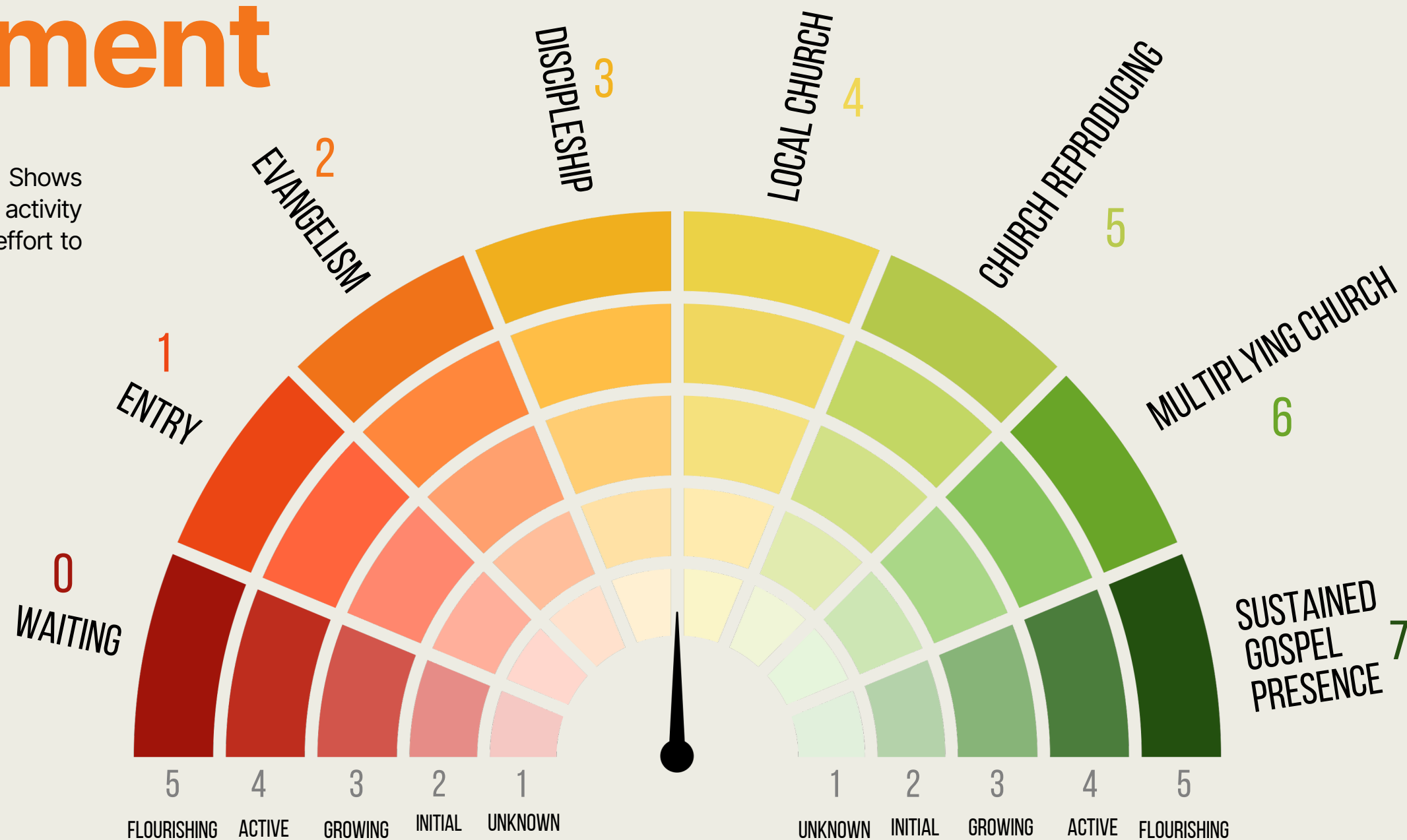


# Measurement Tools:

## Phases of Engagement

**Phases of Engagement (8 phases):** Shows the observable progression of gospel activity within a people group, from no known effort to sustained local gospel presence.

**Strength of Engagement** - Depicts the depth and breadth of current ministry activity within a given phase of engagement.



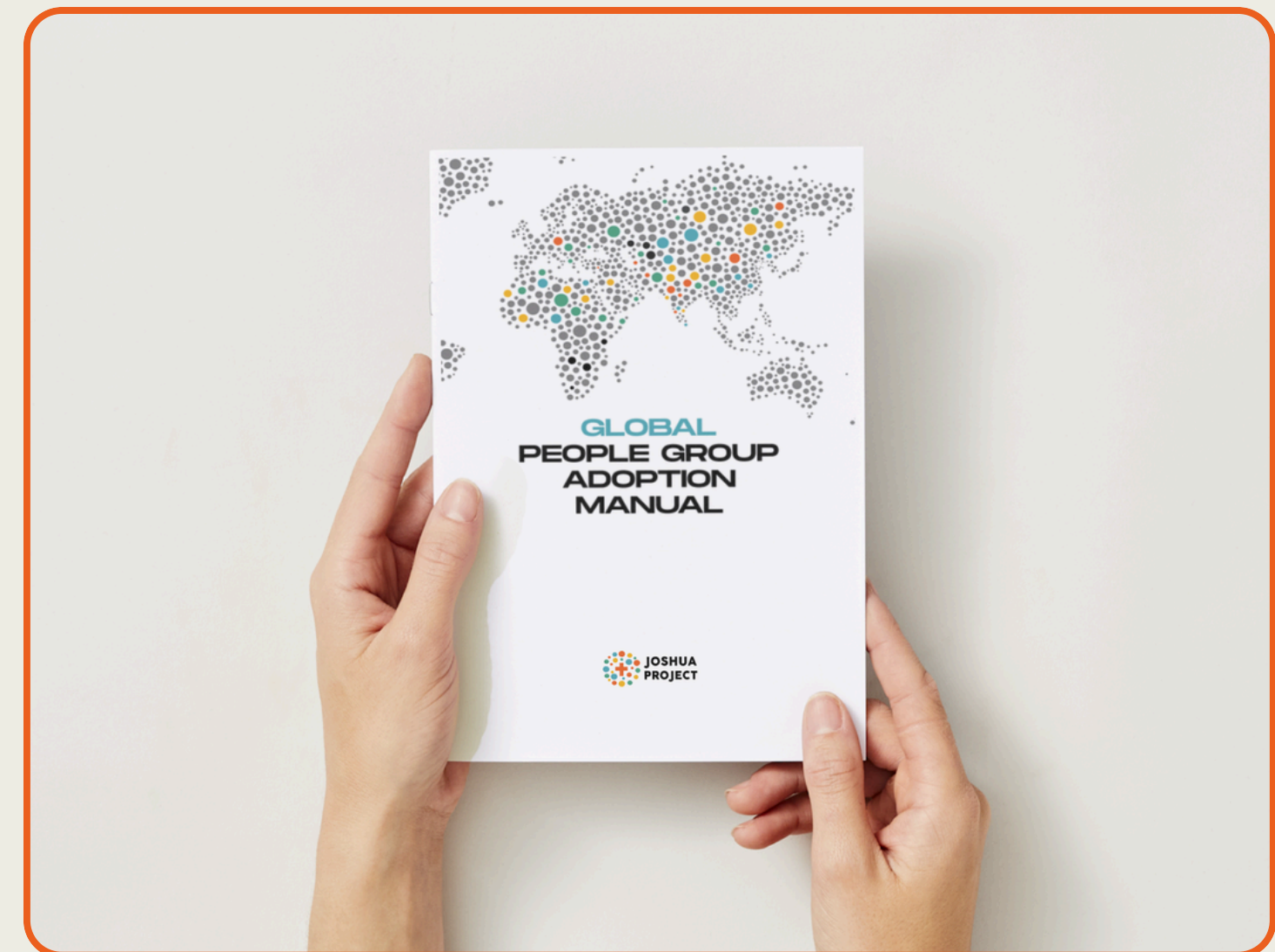
**Engagement Accelerators** - A self-assessment tool suggesting practices teams can use to identify gaps, choose next steps, and catalyze movement to the next phase.

1. Prayer
2. Vision Casting
3. Mobilization/Sending
4. Meeting Needs/Compassion
5. Research/ Cultural Insights
6. Training/Equipping
7. Scripture/Resource Access
8. Multi-node Engagement
9. Collaborative Engagement
10. Critical Contextualization
11. Multiplying Efforts
12. Marketplace Involvement



# FPG Adoption Manual

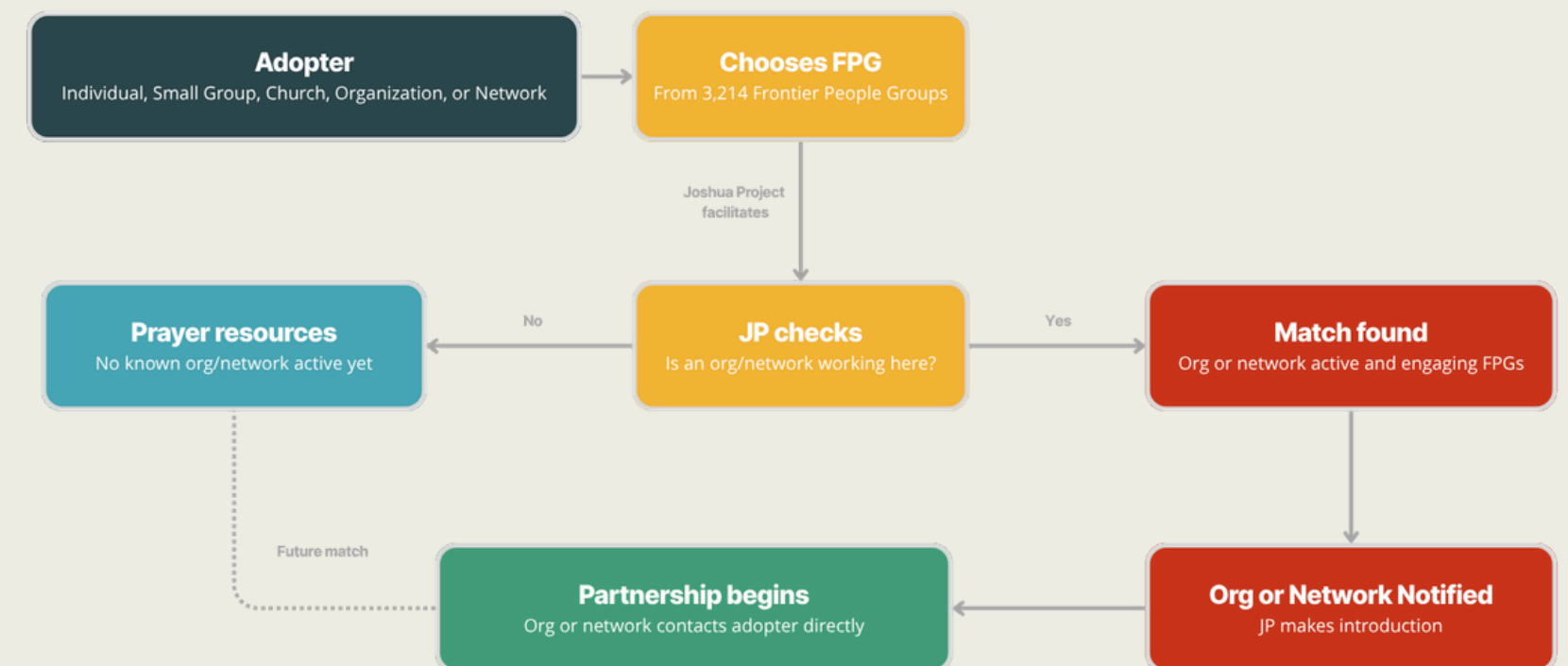
- Stand-alone document guiding churches through the FPG adoption process
- Includes regional lists of FPGs with QR codes linking to additional resources
- Primary data source: Joshua Project — supplemented by other key resources
- Available in both print and digital formats
- Offered in multiple languages





# FPG Adoption Matching Tool

The FPG Adoption Matching Tool will track adoptions of FPGs made through Joshua Project and make potential matches of adopters of the same people group to one another. These matches will serve to connect resources, people, opportunities, and knowledge that will assist those serving closest to the field.



# People Group Adoption and the Shifting Mission Landscape



The growing Majority World Church is bringing believers closer to FPGs than ever before. As the missions landscape shifts, Western churches are called to come alongside Majority World Christians who are becoming the primary missionaries crossing cultural, linguistic, and national barriers to proclaim Christ, make disciples, and plant churches.

The first step to joining God's work among FPGs is for families, churches, networks, and mission agencies to adopt a people group and commit to catalyzing prayer and gospel engagement among the unreached.

# The Path Forward



The Joshua Project adoption process exists to help believers **discover their next steps** in participating in the Great Commission.

Together we can see Frontier People Groups engaged with the Gospel and multiplying churches established among them.

100,000 FPG  
ADOPTIONS



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# THANK YOU

Highlighting peoples and places with the least access or response to the Gospel so the Body of Christ can prioritize its prayer and mission efforts.

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