

Avoiding Dependencies

Is it Possible?

Questions?

- What images / descriptions come to mind when you hear the word dependency?
- What are the top 3 primary causes of dependency creation / maintenance?
- What 2 essential changes need to be made to avoid dependency?

- Once started – how to stop?
- Food aid impact:
 - Farm produce prices
 - Trade injustice
 - Taxes

Immediate

- **I** – Identity
- **M** – Motivate
- **M** – Mobilise
- **E** – Enable
- **D** – Demonstrate
- **I** – Inspire
- **A** – Attribute
- **T** – Testimony
- **E** – Empowered

Give people **a sense of their worth before God**

Moving towards ensuring people have the ability to make **choices and take action to improve their own situation. (PEP)**

Enabling includes *letting go* and respecting the choice and person – ensuring dignity.

Being PRESENT - Giving Hope

Acknowledge and celebrate

Fellowship and sharing stories - powerful

Holistic Transformation

Development is about
empowering people through
participation to develop their own
solutions, with a sense of dignity



Empowerment

Development is about empowering the poor to make **choices** which lead to change – *for the good*.

Participation

Participation is the process by which people are empowered.

Sustainability

The result of empowerment through participation leads to **sustainable change**.

Defining Participation

- People taking an **active** part in decisions and actions that affect their lives
- Participation is not a means of development it is a goal of development
- Participation recognises that people have worth and dignity, and the capacity to engage
- Adds value (quality)

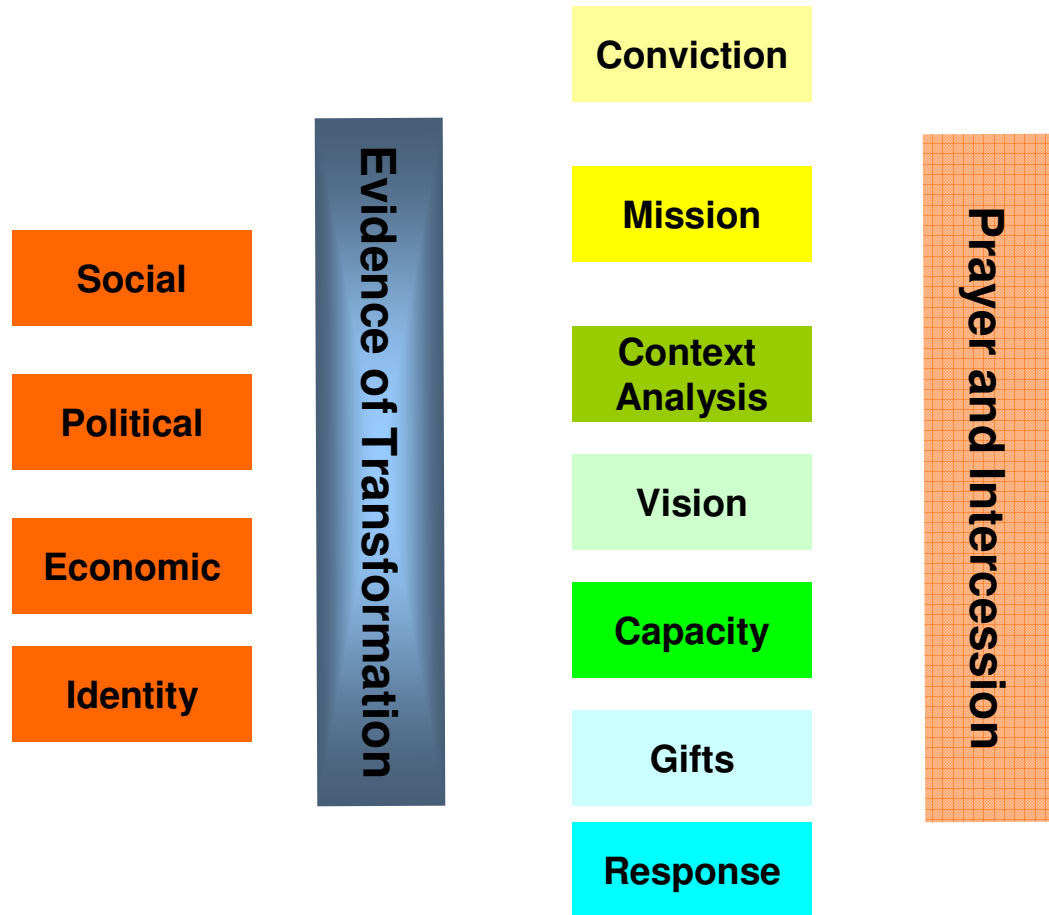
Definition of Sustainability

- Meeting the **needs** of the present without compromising the ability of the future generations to meet their own needs (WDED '87)
- More than short or long term impacts
- More than something that will last
- It is about decreasing dependence
- It is about ensuring development goes on.....
- It is about storing treasure.....

IM Approach

Indicators:

1. Improved physical well being
2. Steps out of poverty
3. Enabled to participate – confidence to engage
4. Improved relationships
5. Resolved conflict
6. Restored dignity
7. Salvation



Proxy indicators: imagine rstored / transformed state – then ask how do we get there – practically and supernaturally