When Salvation Army Founder William Booth was promoted to Glory in 1912, the Salvation Army had already opened forty countries during its forty-eight years of existence. The early-day growth was hard won, slowed and today, a century later, the number has grown to 125, with the most recent opening—Greenland—officially recognised on 8 August.

Figures in colour show when The Salvation Army officially commenced work in a country (years in brackets denote when work recommenced after a time out).