

## FOURSQUARE IS AN INTERNATIONAL MOVEMENT

Founded in 1923 in Los Angeles, The Foursquare Church has always kept its focus on reaching the world.

Though founded in Southern California, it's been our emphasis on reaching the world with the gospel of Jesus that has seen our movement grow even larger outside of the U.S. than within its borders. Now in 150 countries with more than 8 million members, Foursquare continues to focus on reaching the unreached.

Our churches in Papua New Guinea may look a little different from our gatherings in Portland, Ore., but as a movement, in every nation, we hold to the following distinctives, or values, that undergird all we do.



*"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever"*

—Heb. 13:8 (NKJV)

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# What makes Foursquare a unique movement?

An introduction to the Global Distinctives



## WHERE DID THE GLOBAL DISTINCTIVES COME FROM?

Leaders from over 70 nations gathered for three days in Phoenix, Ariz., in 2012 to hear the voice of the Lord for the community agreed that though even approach to ministry may vary, we are all in alignment with these six Global Distinctives.

## ⊕ SPIRIT EMPOWERMENT

We will relate to each other with love in our global family. We acknowledge that relationships are the heart of God's Kingdom and will extend grace to fellow believers through ministry, cooperation and mutual submission in our global church.

## FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS

We will focus our mission and ministry efforts on multiplying disciples, leaders, churches and national movements, holding to God's passion for the lost, we will seek a movement of evangelism, mercy ministries, contextualized church planting and mobilizing indigenous believers in ministry among all peoples.

## ⊕ SOUND DOCTRINE

We will work alongside other Christians and churches with whom we can partner in mission. We will be a distinct movement, but also will hold a collegial spirit, and maintain a helpful and cooperative posture.

## KINGDOM PARTNERSHIPS

The Declaration of Faith outlines our practice, church polity and statement, apply to all members, and be the Declaration of Faith for the Kingdom. It will be a biblical call of believers into the work of all churches and all member nations. Its roots are deeply rooted in the sole source of spiritual authority: the Word of God.

## EMPOWERING LEADERSHIP

According to God's gifting and calling, we will intentionally prepare and release men and women across generations and cultures into all positions of leadership and areas of ministry.

# Our Global Distinctives: