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RESONATE MAGAZINE DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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Use these discussion questions to dig deeper into the articles in your small group, church gathering or personal reflection.

Move Over Madonna – Michelle Farrell

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1. Discuss the concept of God going before us into the unreached areas of the world. How does that make you feel about God? How does that make you feel about mission?
2. Do you think this kind of mass movement towards Christ would ever occur in Australia in this generation? Why/why not?
3. Chris Barnden is quoted as saying, 'For us in the West, baptism is seen almost as one of those things that Christians may or may not do – it's a personal choice. But for these people with a tribal identity that is really strong, being baptised is a very significant event. It's the make or break step. They are leaving behind structures of faith they've had in the past and building a new life with Christ'.
What structures of faith do us 'Westerners' have?
Do they hinder our relationship with Jesus or nurture it?
4. Why do you think this difference in the understanding of baptism occurs? Is it generational, social, cultural etc?
What does this mean for Gen Y Christians?
5. The story of John the Baptist (as told in the Gospels) describes his message to repent and be baptised. Jesus also sets an example and is baptised. What are your thoughts on the necessity of baptism?
6. How does this story of Malawi relate to or impact on to your understanding of long-term mission?

