

SEVEN SEASONS OF CHURCH PLANTING & MULTIPLICATION

Seasons	Preparing Preparing to Plant the Church (Seed)	Gathering Gathering a Worshiping Community (Seedling)	Developing Developing Gospel-Centered Ministries (Young Plant)	Mentoring Mentoring Gospel-Centered Leaders (Young Tree)	Growing Leading church to growth & planting (Fruit Bearing Tree)	Locating Establishing a community presence (Deepening Roots)	Multipling Establishing a church multiplication movement (Multiply Fruitful Trees)
People	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Church planter (Coach) Launch Team (Apprentice/Intern) Intercessors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Church planter Coach Core group Launch team Apprentice/Intern Intercessors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Church planter Coach Emerging leaders Apprentice/Intern Church members Intercessors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pastor Coach Elders & deacons Leaders/Apprentice/Intern Church members Intercessors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pastor Peer mentors Apprentice/Intern Cross cultural missionaries Launch team Intercessors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pastor Peer mentors Relocation & building construction team Ministry leaders, apprentice, intern, members Intercessors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CP movement leader(s) Peer mentors in parenting church network Church Planting Institute Church planters, apprentices & interns Intercessors
Processes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirm the church planter's vision & call Determine ministry focus group(s) & area Establish prayer support Begin planting training & coaching Develop ministry philosophy & models Design a church planting action plan Create a church planting proposal Establish financial support base 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish training & coaching relationship(s) Implement networking & evangelism (word & deed) Implement nurture & cell group ministries Develop core group & launch team Manage conflict for unified values & vision Establish essential ministries (systems) Launch public worship/ministry 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop frontline, kingdom prayer Develop gospel worship & preaching Develop transformational learning communities (all ages) Develop authentic caring community/cells Develop need-oriented evangelism ministries (word & deed) Develop lay & gift-oriented ministries Develop emerging functional structures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop mentoring-leadership philosophy & strategy Develop mentoring process for healthy disciples Develop mentoring process for group & ministry leaders Develop mentoring process for elder/deacons Develop mentoring process for pastors Develop mentoring processes for movement leaders 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evaluate church health & growth (renewal dynamics) Establish church health & growth goals Lead the church to expansion growth Lead the church to internal growth Lead the church to extension growth Lead the church to bridging growth Lead the church to organizational growth 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Determine whether (multiplying house/cell churches) or when to construct meeting facilit(ies) Find adequate facility and/or real estate (rental or purchase) (Oversee fundraising for relocation and/or building construction) (Oversee relocation and/or building construction process) Repeat the locating process (above) if and/or when necessary 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop a unified vision & strategy Implement spiritual renewal dynamics Overcome barriers & cultivate leadership Establish recruiting & assessment systems Establish coaching & training systems Establish CP parenting & farm systems Develop fundraising for the movement Develop church planting networks & movements
Time	Six to Twelve Months	Six to Twelve Months	One to Two Years	Two Years & Ongoing	Ongoing	Two Years & Ongoing	Ongoing
Goal	Qualified & equipped planter with a clear philosophy & strategy	Worshiping community with essential ministries established	Effective gospel ministries developed by emerging leaders	Ordained leaders overseeing indigenous, healthy church	An Indigenous, healthy, growing, reproducing church	Adequate facilities for emerging gospel ministries	Church multiplication networks & movements