

Church Planting



Classroom Hours: 24 (minimum)

Description/Overview:

A practical “how to” guide for church planting, this course answers the questions of what church planting is, why it is necessary, where it should be done, when, by whom, and how to go about it.

Objectives:

At the end of this course students will be able to:

- 1.) Discuss the Great Commission and the way it mandates and compels believers to continue to plant churches.
- 2.) Explain how the concept that Jesus was no respecter of person's effects and challenges the Christian approach to church planting.
- 3.) Defend the statement: "God's timing is always best" as well as identify the struggle most face in attempting to accept that.
- 4.) Identify the correct vision, motive, and qualifications of a church planter.
- 5.) Point out that only a house with a proper and sustaining foundation will last.
- 6.) Establish growth as the identifier of a healthy, productive church.
- 7.) Recognize that while one person plants and another waters, only God can truly give the increase.
- 8.) Discover what makes up the "nucleus" of a church body.
- 9.) Assess the importance of training church members to help run and maintain the church.
- 10.) Analyze the necessity of organization and the overall importance of doing things decently and in order.

Topics / Concepts:

- The scientific process of geotropism in literal plants and how it relates to the spiritual planting of churches.
- The Pauline Method of church planting and each of its ten parts.
- A comprehensive breakdown of the steps which make up a successful church planting plan.
- The strategy of time including how things beginning of the prerequisites of starting a church plant.
- The "how not to's" of church planting.
- Various concepts of church planting (including the Mother/Daughter concept and the Home Missions concept).
- Different ways of attracting and maintaining visitors: home fellowship groups, outreach, Sunday services, and Bible studies.

Textbook(s):

Church Planting – Ted Grosbach

Recommended Alternatives:

Overview of Lessons available in the Recommended Primary Textbook:

1. What Is Church Planting and Why Is It Necessary?
2. Where Should Churches Be Planted?
3. When Should Churches Be Planted?
4. Who Should Be Used to Plant Churches?
5. The How of Church Planting: Part One, The Foundation
6. The How of Church Planting: Part Two, The Method
7. Getting Started
8. The Nucleus of the Local Congregation
9. Reproductive Training: Developing New Leadership
10. Administration of the New Work

Languages Available:

Course Packet Resources:

Comments:

Date of Last Revision: