

## Church Planting Questionnaire

You are embarking on an amazing journey! The purpose of this questionnaire is to help formulate what God is saying to you so that we know how to help you. We want to help you formulate your team and define your vision, process, and destination. There are no wrong answers, and you may not have clarity on some points, and that is OK. Just answer with your best impression from what God is depositing in your spirit.

1. Who is with you? *(Answer all questions as honestly as possible)*
  - Who will do it with you? Is your immediate family on board?
  - Have you put the desire out there and had people respond?
  - Are those who responded qualified? – (This is subjective. Remember the disciples probably were not “qualified” by many people’s standards of today. Are those who responded to your vision qualified to you?)
  - Do you want a large team (30+), a medium team (10-20), or a small team (2-10)?
  - Remember, life is too short to work with people you do not like! ☺ Do you believe that you can work with those who respond?
  - Do you know your personality type, gift mix, and leadership style?
  - Do you know the personality type, gift mix, and leadership style of those coming with you?
  - Do you know your strengths and weaknesses?
2. What type of church? *(Answer at least one)*
  - Will you start a house church that grows into a community church, then a mega church?
  - Will you start a house church that grows to a community church, then send out more house churches?
  - Will you start a house church that grows and sends out more house churches?
  - Will you start a small group that will become a house church?
  - Will you start a small group that will multiply small groups to become a community church?
3. What is your time frame and availability? *(Answer as many as possible)*
  - How much time per week do you have to commit to starting a church?
  - How much time does each person on your team have to give?
  - What is your timeline for starting, (i.e., how many weeks/months/years)?
  - What date do you want to launch?
  - How quickly do you generally move to action in other major areas of your life (i.e., moving house, buying a high-cost item, making a major life change)?
    - How many weeks/months/years?
  - Do you know how long you plan to lead the new ministry?

- 4 Where will you focus your efforts? *(Answer as many as possible)*
  - What town/city/region?
    - Is there a reason for choosing this town/city/region?
  - Do you know the street address you will first start?
  - Do you know the demographics of this area?
  - In your opinion, how are churches generally perceived by the majority of the public in this area? (Positive or negative?)
  - Where do people in this region gather already?
  - What are they gathering around?
  - How much time per week do they generally spend doing these activities?
  - How far do people in the area generally travel to go shopping?
  - Do you have spiritual direction from God concerning this area?
  - Do you have personal history with this area?
  - Do you understand what people generally value in this region?
  
- 5 What is motivating you to plant a church? *(Answer only one)*
  - Are you responding to an observed need or opportunity?
  - Are you responding from a personal ministry call or direction?
  
- 6 How do you plan to start? *(Answer as many as possible)*
  - Will you start with a para-church ministry that will then launch a church? (Such as a youth ministry, school, or ongoing crusade)?
  - Concerning outreach:
    - Will you do door-to-door outreach?
    - Will you use a “son of peace” model?
    - Will you host public events to attract people?
  - How will the public find out about the church?
  - How will you train leaders?
  - What will be the financial engine (which sustains your personal living expenses)?
    - Does this engine exist or must it still be started?
    - Is the expected income enough or will it need to be supplemented?
  - What expenses do you foresee the new church-plant having?
    - Is the expected church income enough or will it need to be supplemented?
  - Who will the new church focus on reaching first?
    - Children?
    - Adults?
    - Families?
    - Students?
    - Whoever is an “open door”?
  - Imagine the new church functioning:
    - What are people doing?
    - What are they experiencing & feeling while involved with the church?
    - What are you doing in that picture?