



RESOURCES and ASSISTANCE OFFERED TO SPONSOR/MOTHER CHURCHES by the Tennessee Baptist Mission Board

BEGINNING RESOURCES

EXPLORING CHURCH PLANTING FOR MY CHURCH: This is a 4-hour introduction to church planting in Tennessee with an overview of models of planting, what it means to sponsor a church plant, ways of supporting a church plant and resources available for churches interested in planting.

A CHURCH'S GUIDE TO CHURCH PLANTING: This is a simple guide to explain the types of ways that churches can sponsor a new church and ways to begin casting vision for your church to start a new church.

RESEARCH INFORMATION:

- **Demographics:** The Tennessee Baptist Convention can provide in-depth demographic and psychographic information on all areas of Tennessee. These studies can be as narrow as a 1-mile radius to customized studies of areas. These studies can help determine who to focus on in planting a church.
- **Mapping Center:** The Tennessee Baptist Convention through its relationship with the Mapping Center of Evangelism and Church Growth can provide outreach tools and services for churches in Tennessee, including mapping, residential listings, demographics, mailing lists, and new moves.

CHURCH PLANTER CANDIDATE ASSISTANCE

- **On-Line Church Planter Pre-Assessment Service:** We have partnered with Church Planter Profiles to help those potential church planters or those considering church planting discern their readiness for church planting quickly and easily in an online environment. <http://tbc.churchplanterprofiles.com/cake>.
- **Church Planting Assessors:** We can provide a list of church planting assessors located here in Tennessee and a list of church planting assessment centers around the U.S. who can provide an in-depth assessment of a mother/sponsor church's church planting candidate and spouse.

TRAINING:

- **1-5-1 Harvest Training:** Harvest Plants refers to off-campus efforts aimed at gathering lost people for the purpose of sharing the gospel.

We have identified three types of plants:

- **Branches** - extensions of existing on-campus Bible studies
- **Groups** - similar to branches but not connected to any other program of the church
- **Churches** - a new work that will carry on all of the functions of a church

All of these "plants" will be focused on reaching lost people where they live, work, and play. We offer on line training (in process with Communications on how to improve our online videos. or a harvest field catalyst can come and provide a one-day training on how to do a 1-5-1 type plant with emphasis on church plant harvest plant

Training Offered and Provided to Help Plant 1-5-1 Plants

4 Fields Training (T4T): There are several master trainers here in the state that can come do a customize training and follow up coaching on how to develop a 4 Fields Discipleship Church Planting Training for a church plant.

Disciples Making Disciples: The purpose of this training course is to equip Disciples who will make Disciples. Participants will be equipped to share their faith with others. Disciple new believers and lead those new believers to form new Churches/Missional communities that will reproduce themselves.

Edge Training: This is a six lesson study on how to equip believers to evangelize, disciple, train reproducing disciples and begin communities of faith and churches anywhere.

TRAINING FOR CHURCH PLANTERS and MOTHER/SPONSOR CHURCHES

- **Basic Training Journey for Church Planters:** Basic Training Journey for Church Planters is a resource designed to walk church planting teams through an intensive journey of exploring the strategic issues of a church planting process. It also assisting them in developing a customized strategy for planting healthy, reproductive churches.
- **Churches Planting Churches Training:** Tennessee Baptist Convention is using this tool to help churches plant healthy churches. This is a biblically-based, practical resource. The event is a “workshop” for planting new churches, not a

conference. You will actually work with your team to complete an implementation assignment before you leave the CPCT.

- **Mentoring/Coaching Training:** Coaches in each part of Tennessee who will help coach planters through their 1st year from the time they launch the new church plant.
- **Funding Grants to Mother Churches:** Contact the TBC New Churches Team for information.

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