

# Seeing the Harvest

## Be A Myth Buster

Part 2

### MYTHS VS FACTS



**MYTH:** Church planting is just for people who are seminary trained.

**FACTS:** The majority of new churches that are started are led by ordinary men and women who are not seminary trained. As we look through history, many of the

church-planting revolutions that have taken place began with a strong emphasis on lay leadership. These people had a passion for God and to reach the lost.

**MYTH:** A church planter needs to be an extreme extrovert.

**FACTS:** God uses all kinds of people to plant all kinds of churches. There is a common stereotype that church planters are type A, extroverted, caffeinated, charismatic individuals who can draw a big crowd, but I would strongly challenge that notion. Many of the church planters I have met are not extreme extroverts, but ones who share a common passion to reach beyond themselves to see people come to Christ through planting new churches. While church planting does involve trying new things and being flexible, it does not require that you be an extreme extrovert.

**MYTH:** Only big churches can plant churches.

**FACTS:** God uses all sizes of churches. It's not the size of the church but the size of the vision of that congregation to reach the lost. Many churches are coming together in a "coalition" to work together in planting new churches.

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