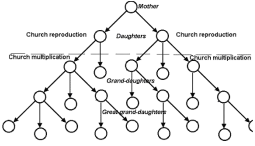


Seven Tasks and 24 Activities

of Churches and Missions that Help Congregations and Cells Reproduce and Multiply

Note: These tasks are not sequential; implement them in any order.



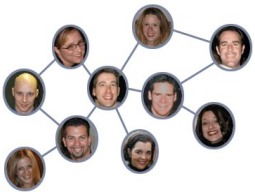
TASK 1: Prepare workers by starting and shepherding little 'churches'.

1. Form work groups, name shepherds, serve the Lord's Supper & adapt worship forms to small groups.
2. If trainees plan to work where authorities are hostile, then form a secret, 'underground' cell group.
3. Agree on a long-range plan to train leaders and to help congregations reproduce.

Group study: (a) Matthew 16:18-20 (b) 18:18-20; (c) 28:18-20.

Question: What are churches to do? What has Jesus promised to do in churches?

Exercise: Form temporary, little congregations, appoint shepherds, serve communion.



TASK 2: Penetrate communities & families, and announce the Good News.

4. Find 'persons of peace', pray for needs, & proclaim the original Good News.
5. Let the Good News flow through networks of relatives & friends.
6. Prepare to work, or train others to work, where authorities are hostile.
7. Have workers bond with the people & their culture, as a way to penetrate neglected fields.

Group study: (a) Luke 24:44-48 (b) Acts 2:22-24, 38-39 (c) Acts 3:13-15 (d) Acts 5:29-32 (e) Acts 10:38-43 (f) Acts 13:26-33 (g) Acts 17:1-4 (h) 1 Cor 15:1-8

Question: What was the original message of the apostolic, Good News?

Exercise: Demonstrate extraction evangelism; response to hostile authorities.



TASK 3: Confirm faith and make disciples in the way Jesus said.

8. Teach new believers & new congregations to obey Jesus' commands, above all.
9. Baptize new believers without needless delay.
10. Serve the Lord's Supper often, giving it the importance Jesus & the apostles did.
11. Carry out mercy ministries along with evangelism, church planting & pastoral work.

Group study: Acts 2:37-47.

Question: In what ways did the first church obey Jesus' 'basic commandments'?

Exercise: Demonstrate the importance of baptism; OT worship; communion.



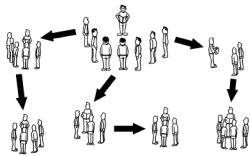
TASK 4: Practice body life and worship in small groups.

12. Meet in groups small enough to practice the NT 'one-another' commands.
13. Practice interactive body life between congregations.
14. Equip members to do all the activities that the New Testament requires.

Group study: John 13:34-35; 1 Corinthians 14:3, 24-26.

Question: In what participatory ways are believers to worship God together?

Exercise: Prophecy one to another; plan inter-church sharing and co-operation.



TASK 5: Train new leaders in the way that Jesus & his apostles did.

15. Empower shepherds to fulfil their biblical duty to train newer shepherds on the job.
16. Follow NT guidelines in training leaders, by mentoring them & modelling skills.
17. Mentor new leaders in practices that build up their congregations.
18. Train with materials that balance classroom with mentoring, & aim to reproduce.

Group study: (a) Matthew 10:1, 5-12; (b) Mark 6:7-13, 30; (c) Luke 9:1-10; (d) Luke 10:1-9, 17; (e) 2 Timothy 2:2.

Question: In what ways did Jesus and his apostles empower their co-workers?

Exercise: Empower shepherds to protect their flocks from wolves.



TASK 6: Let obedient, Spirit-empowered congregations reproduce.

19. Let apostolic 'training chains' multiply novice leaders & their flocks.
20. Let trainees shepherd their families & friends, & train newer leaders, at once.
21. Empower & send workers to neglected peoples.

Group study: (a) Acts 13:2-3 (b) Acts 14:21-23 (c) Colossians 1:1, 7, 12-18.

Question: In what ways did the NT apostles plant new churches?

Exercise: Send apostles, start cells and appoint leaders in "five cities".



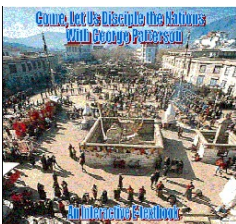
TASK 7: Name co-ordinators who assess needs and train co-workers.

22. Name regional co-ordinators who train trainers, provide materials & keep records.
23. Gather information about neglected peoples, progress in evangelism & training.
24. Use the Information that workers gather to inform churches, so they can pray.

Group study: Titus 1:5-9

Question: Where will you and your co-workers plan new churches immediately?

Exercise: Pray and plan together to start cell groups and to coach leaders.



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