

Facilitator's Guide

Facilitator's
Training
Seminar



EQUIPPERS GROUP INTERNATIONAL

Session- 4

CHURCH GROWTH MODEL

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CHURCH GROWTH MODEL

OVERVIEW

Growth in the church is accomplished through the Mission-Church Life Cycle. This cycle is a process to produce generations of disciples and believers. The life cycle of a church includes four stages: Pioneer, Parent, Partner and Participant. Each stage requires specific gifts for success and each stage has specific obstacles to overcome.

Time required to complete this session: 1 1/2 hours

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OVERVIEW

Goals of the session:

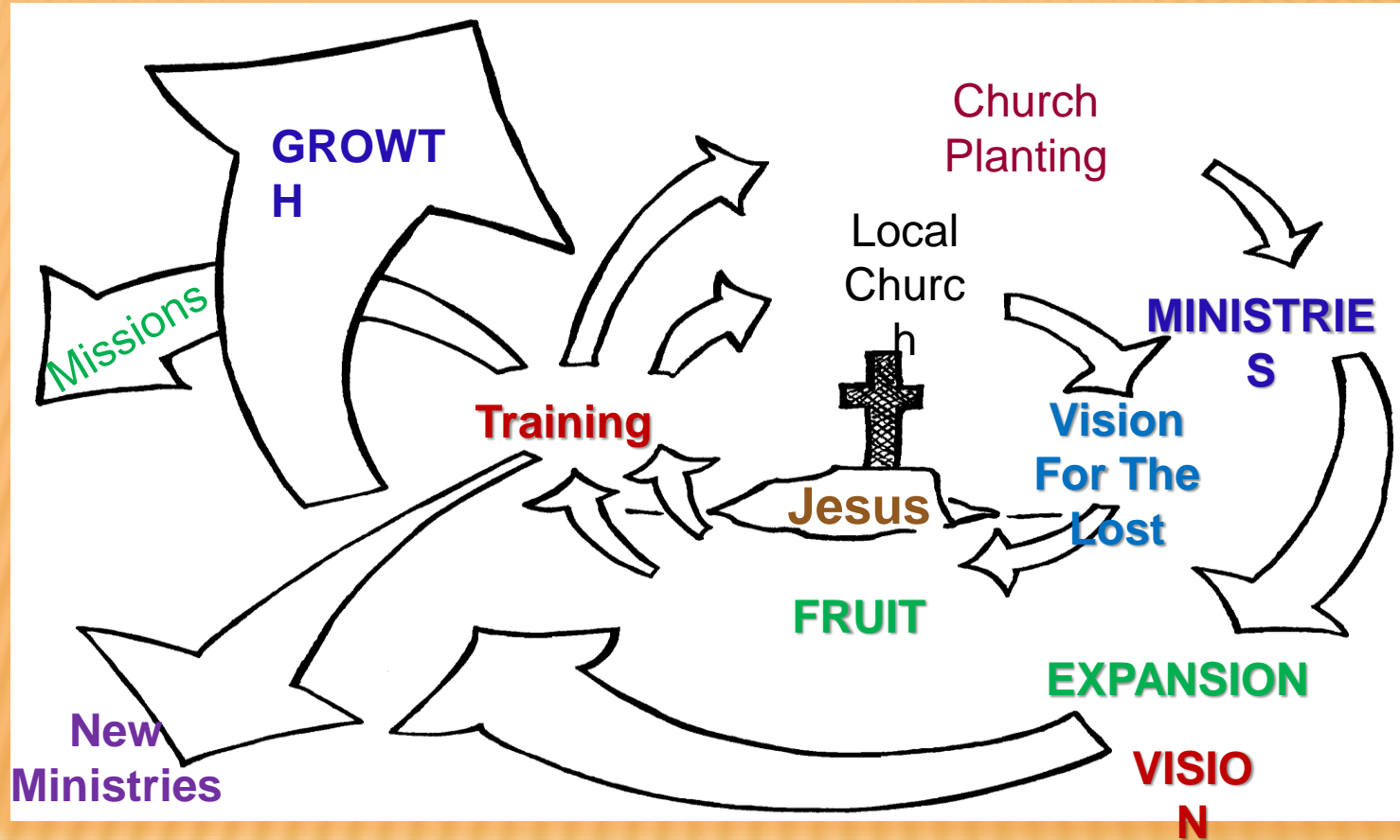
1. Understand the “Church Life Cycle”
2. Understand the importance of generations of believers
3. Understand obstacles to growth at each stage

DISCOVERY SESSION AT END

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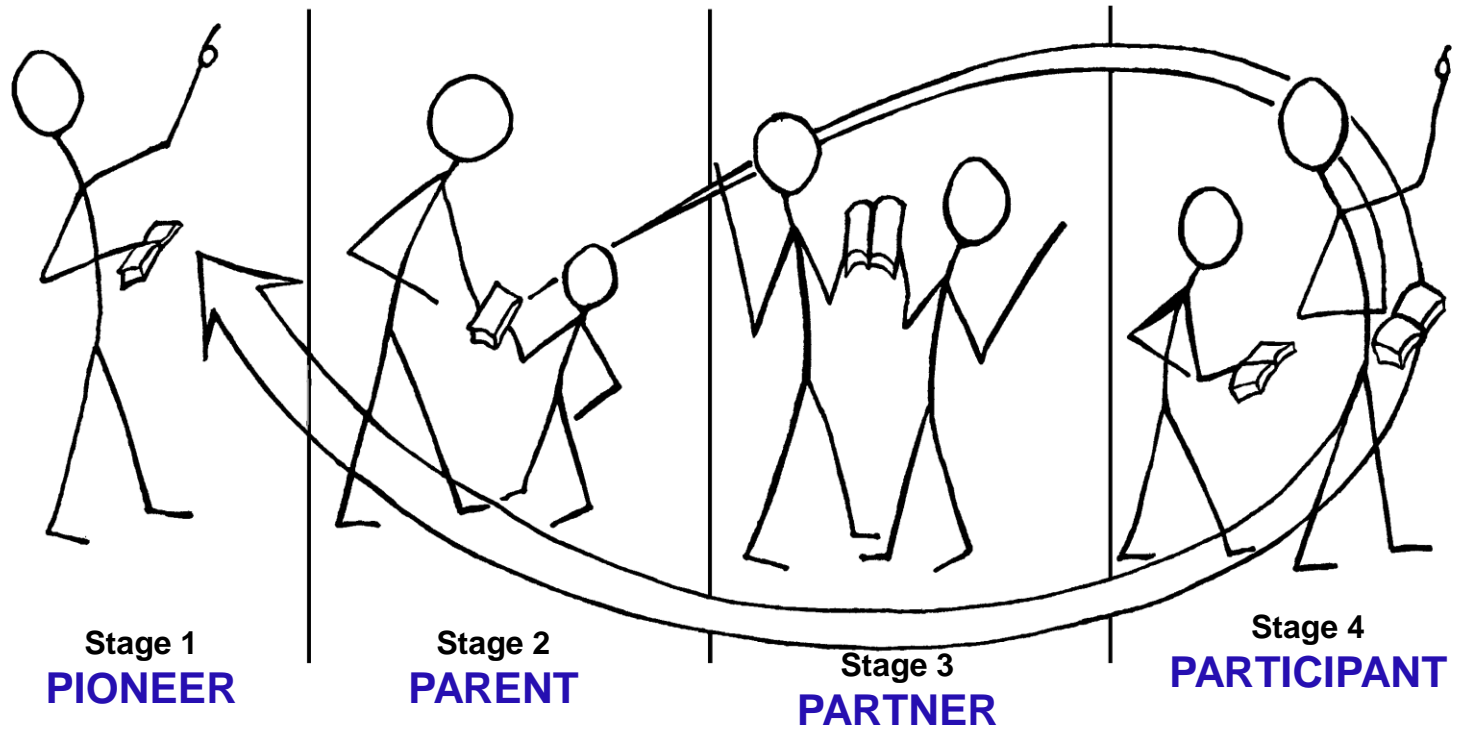


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MISSION-CHURCH LIFE CYCLE

4 Stages Of Development

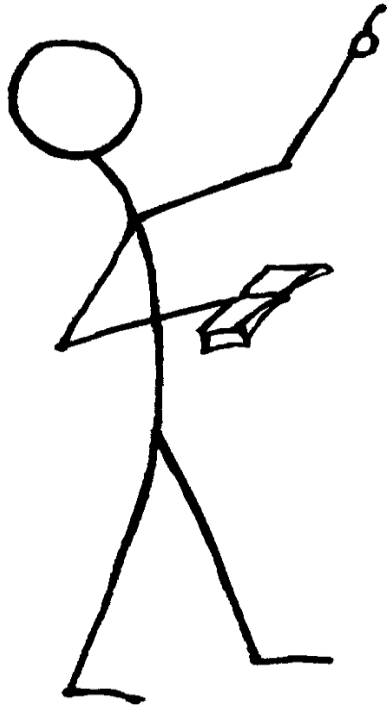


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Stage 1 : PIONEER

Primary Gift :
Preaching

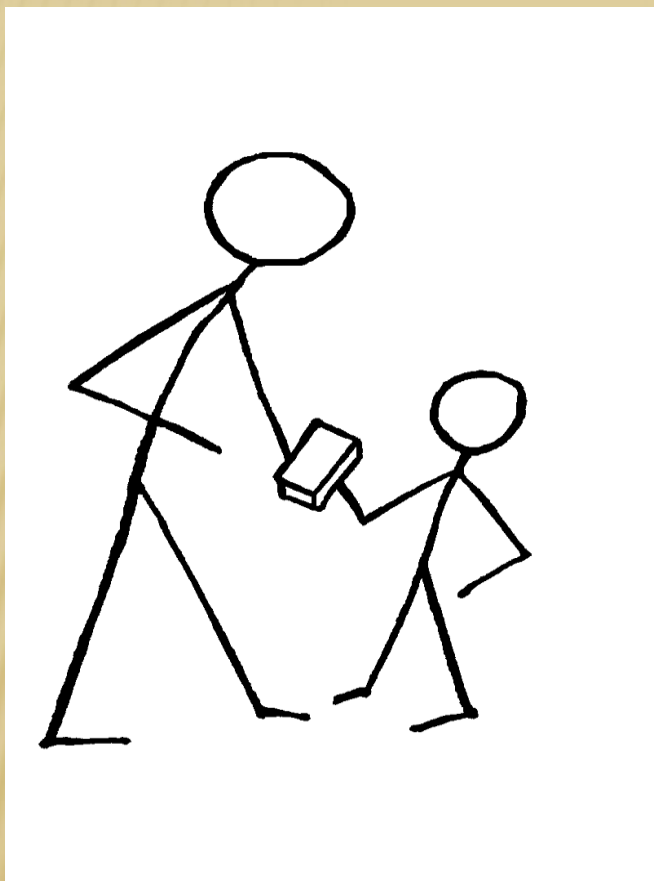
Primary Obstacles :
Pioneer tries to do everything.

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Stage 2 :
PARENT
Primary Gift :
Teaching

Primary Obstacles :
Paternalism

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Stage 3:

PARTNER
Primary Gift: Mentoring, Serving together

Primary Obstacles

- The Partner tends to protect, dominate and control a new believer's relationship with God
- The new church resembles the attitudes and actions of an adolescent

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Stage 4 :

PARTICIPANT

Primary Gift : Mentoring,
Leadership

Primary Obstacles

Letting go
successfully

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**Jesus is the same yesterday, today and forever.
(Hebrews 13:8)**

**Jesus is the Alpha,
the Beginning
(John 1:1)**

**Jesus is the Omega,
the Ending
(Matthew 28:20)**

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DISCOVERY SESSION



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DISCOVERY SESSION

1. Where are you as a church leader in the church growth cycle?

**2. Are you able to mature and reproduce?
Do you have a “new fruit” (new believers)?**

3. Have you seen clearly what you need to do to receive the growth God wants to give?



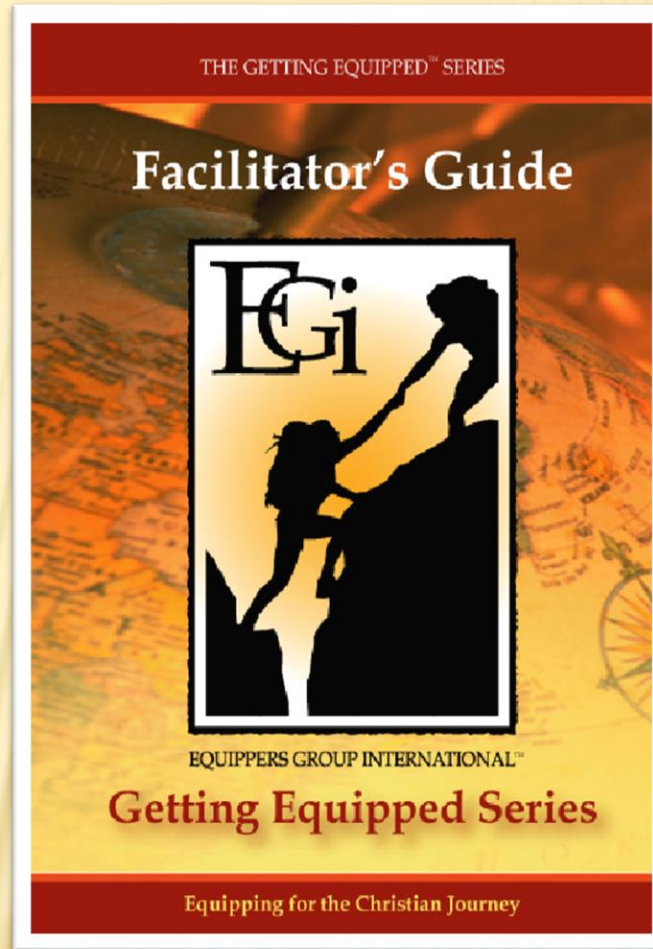
DISCOVERY SESSION

Session Conclusion:

Consider whether the Missions-Church Life Cycle (Diagram 4.2) should be posted and circulated to every believer in your church so they understand where they fit into the growth of the church.



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