

# PARTNER CHURCH MILESTONES

PC = Partner Church

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## Chapter 1: Expand Vision for Church Mobilization

					Number of unreached people in your ministry area determined
					Clear vision for parenting begun
					Church planting taskforce job description reviewed
					Intercession team mobilized
					Communication with intercessors begun

## Chapter 2: Get Started

					Video, cassettes and worksheets studied
					Sharing what you have learned with receptive people begun
					Intercessors mobilized and monthly communication established
					Strategy to train leaders and increase congregational awareness developed
					Church planting taskforce mobilized and regular meetings scheduled to provide leadership for the parent church
					Started or joined a Multiplying Church Network with key leaders from other potential parent churches

## Chapter 3: Prepare to Become a Parent Church

					Current values and behaviors of your congregation determined
					Personal fears and concerns resolved
					Potential fears and concerns in your congregation identified
					Response to the concerns of others prepared
					Monthly communication with intercessors verified

## Chapter 4: Understand the Church Parenting Process

					Checklist for monitoring the development of the new church reviewed regularly
					Evaluation of the parent church relationship with the new church reviewed periodically
					Communication with intercessors continued

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## Chapter 5: Gain Support of Opinion Leaders

					Biblical reflection on key values completed
					Key opinion leaders identified and evaluated
					Strategy for communication with opinion leaders developed and implemented
					Primary blockages or concerns among opinion leaders identified and addressed

## Chapter 6: Cultivate Congregational Commitment

					Creative communication ideas selected and assigned
					Preaching calendar and themes determined
					Congregational commitment strategy developed
					Evaluation of congregational commitment to parenting completed

## Chapter 7: Determine Parenting Methods & Resources

					Parenting method(s) identified
					Parent church's financial commitment determined
					Other sources of funding identified
					Funding strategy identified

## Chapter 8: Identify Cross-Cultural Issues

					Demographic study completed
					Cross-cultural planting opportunities
					Ministry focus group described
					Cross-cultural questions addressed
					Actions plans established

## Chapter 9: Mobilize Church Planters

					Church planter position description written
					Plans to mobilize the church planter(s) developed
					Multiple candidates identified and screened
					Church planting proposal approved
					Planter appointed and empowered with resources and coaching

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## Chapter 10: Select Appropriate Target Communities

					Demographic research gathered
					Church planting projects prioritized
					Target community identified and ministry focus group described
					Match between target community and church planter verified
					Spiritual climate and needs discerned

## Chapter 11: Develop a Gathering & Launching Strategy

					Gathering strategy developed and implemented
					Church planter and/or planting team commissioning scheduled
					Ways the parent church can give to the new church determined
					Conception and prenatal development completed
					Meeting place selected

## Chapter 12: Prepare for Release, Recovery and Reproduction

					New congregation birthed and released
					Financial and other commitments to the new church fulfilled
					Celebration times with the new church scheduled
					Recovery issues identified and addressed
					Future involvement in church planting prioritized