



chicago metro

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Our Commitments to Our Church Planters

Our on-going commitments to you:

- 1) To believe in what God is doing in and through you and pray for you regularly
- 2) To make sure that you have a local coach who's meeting with you regularly
- 3) To make sure that you have the opportunity to be a part of a church planter network where there's prayer, peer-learning and fellowship taking place.
- 4) To make sure that your spouse (if applicable) has the opportunity to meet regularly with other wives for prayer, fellowship and peer-learning as well.
- 5) To provide a way for you to receive online contributions for your church plant.
- 6) To help connect you with partner churches that could help with short-term mission teams and possible financial support.
- 7) To raise your visibility in our denomination and give you even greater impact than in just your community or target group.
- 8) To walk you through the process of applying for financial assistance from our denomination.
- 9) To provide at least one annual church planter fellowship or retreat where you can connect with other church planters other than those in your church planter network.
- 10) To provide consultation in areas such as the following: accounting, insurance & basic legal issues, strategy development, demographic research, evangelism strategy, etc.
- 11) To provide you with a resource file cabinet on our church planting tracking system to access all kinds of appropriate resources.
- 12) To provide non-profit licenses for certain software packages. (75% savings for you)
- 13) To network you beyond our New Work Development Team with those that may be able to help you in areas that we are not equipped to do so.
- 14) To be an advocate for you and your church plant to other organizations.
- 15) To champion resources that you develop that could be of help to others.
- 16) To provide the opportunity to apply for a church planting seminary intern to work with you in the church planting process.

Our training commitments to you:

- 1) If you are from out of town, to make sure that you have the opportunity to visit Chicago for a vision and prayer trip to seek God's heart and voice and see if this is where God wants you to be.
- 2) To properly assess you and your spouse and work with you to determine your best role in church planting.
- 3) To properly train you for planting a church/churches according to the models that would best reach your target group.
- 4) To give you the opportunity to be trained to raise support for your church plant.
- 5) To provide you with an online church database (customized for your language) to help you better minister to those God is putting you in contact with.
- 6) To provide coach training for you as you seek to multiply leaders.
- 7) To broker group discounts & scholarships for various training opportunities.
- 8) To train you to become a church multiplication movement leader.