Vision Impaired: A Model to Make Vision a Reality for Church Plants

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Abstract
Although begun with good intentions, not every church planting effort stays on course or continues to success. Church planting is uniquely birthed and has many areas that can become pitfalls as well as demands that challenge a church planter while trying to implement the vision; therefore, this thesis project provides a biblical structure to help church plants successfully implement the vision for the church. This thesis project provides a staffing model for church plants to give life to the vision and to enhance the survival rate of the church plants. The staffing model in this thesis project consists of a visionary, implementer, manager and problem-solver, which are the key components to making vision a reality and overcoming the obstacles church planters face in implementing the vision. This thesis project will survey and report the findings of 150 church planters regarding their success and challenges in implementing the vision.

A lot of churches do not have a theologically-based vision for church planting and lack insight into what a church planter looks like. Other churches that are interested in church planting have an intuitive sense of a church planter prospect but have not articulated it and thus may not recognize a man that would make a great church planter. Every church leader should be able to spot a church planter and then send him to plant as soon as he is ready. Models a lifestyle of following Jesus. X. Entrepreneurial Aptitude. What have you started successfully? So planting a church is an exercise in making visible the audible gospel of the Blessed God. What if I am called? What if I am not sure?