



**NEWCHURCHES**

MULTIPLY THE MISSION.

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# 10 SYSTEMS FOR CHURCH PLANTS

Just as a healthy body is made up of a number of essential systems that need to function effectively, your church plant needs a number of different systems as well. These ten aren't exhaustive, but they are essential.

1. **Governance:** This is your system for how decisions are made and who makes them.
2. **Worship Gatherings:** This is a system for communicating, coordinating and planning your weekend services.
3. **Financial Management:** This is a crucial system. It describes how the offering will be received. What happens with the offering after it is received? Who counts it? Who signs checks? etc.
4. **Volunteer Development:** What's your systematic plan for recruiting and training new volunteers?
5. **Guest Follow Up:** How do you get information about people who show up to an event? How does follow up occur? Who does the follow up? The system you design in this area will have a huge impact on the guest experience.
6. **Discipleship:** How will people move towards deeper levels of discipleship? What systems are there to move people from large gatherings to small groups?
7. **Leadership Development:** This is one of the most overlooked systems of church planters. Having a leadership development system is critical. Often times the reason we don't see a

multiplication of leaders is because we don't have a reproducible system for developing leaders

8. **Evaluation:** Are you creating the culture that you desire? How do you make programs, ministries and church services better? Building an evaluation system will help you continually improve the health of your church.
9. **Communications:** Who will maintain your digital presence on your website? How and when are announcements communicated? Who communicates through the social media outlets? A strong communications systems is an absolute essential need in the digital information age in which we live.
10. **Annual Planning:** Without an annual planning system ministries can start to compete and overlap events on the calendar. A system for annual planning will serve to align, focus, and strengthen the ministries while keeping on track with your mission.