

Coaching Church Planters: Taking the Role and Joining the Journey

Church Planting Coaching is best done when a supportive relationship is developed between the coach and the church planter. The clarification of roles and expectations between the two parties is therefore crucial to the success of the program. Throughout the church-planting journey, the church planter will develop skills and improve performance based on real life ministry, and thereby build awareness and responsibility for the choices he or she makes.

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Introduction:

I. Coaching - Different Definitions

II. Two Objectives

A. The Church Planter

B. The Church Plant

III. Different roles in the life of the Church Planter

There are many roles that shape the life of the Church Planter. Coaching is not everything.

A. The role of the Coach:

B. The role of the Trainer:

C. The role of Supervisor:

D. The role of Mentor:

E. The role of Friend:

F. The role of Counselor:

IV. The Coaching Agreement

Suggested Readings

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