**Church Planting: Core Team Member Assessment**

**A Word on the Assessment:**

Planting a church is a worthy task. And being a part of the core launch team can be a wonderful way to give your life to the Mission of God. However, planting a church and being a part of the core team are much more difficult and demanding tasks than many realize. Because of that, we believe that it is best to have an application and assessment process for the core team members. Our role as leaders will be to shepherd the soul of our members, including the core team (Hebrews 13) and we believe this begins by assessing and evaluating all those that will join the core team. Many church plants have had nightmare stories among the core team and we want to take every step possible to avoid this and have a core team that is unified around the Plant’s vision.

**The application and assessment process has three steps:**

1. Application (please type responses)
2. Interview with Church Plant leadership
3. Provided there are no snags, sign the team covenant and be commissioned as part of the core team

We are grateful that you would even consider giving your life to this cause of being a part of planting a church.

**Background Info:**

Name: E-mail:

Phone: Address:

Relationship Status:

Education (include college, degree, and anticipated date of graduation):

Job and/or Ministry Experience:

Two references who have observed your life and ministry:

Please tell us about the church where you are currently a member and why you desire to leave that church:

**Theology**

What is the Gospel? (i.e. theologically speaking, not how you would explain the gospel message to a non-Christian)

What is your view of the Bible?

What is your view of the church?

How does one maintain a healthy walk with Christ?

**Personal**

Share how you met Jesus including what your life was like prior, the key factors that led you to Jesus, and how your life changed after meeting Jesus.

Have you been baptized by immersion as a believer?

What role does evangelism and discipleship have in your life?

Describe your spiritual disciplines and how you walk, hear and learn from God.

What would you say are your spiritual gifts?

Why do you want to help plant a church?

Do you have expectations going into the launch of this Church Plant (i.e. leadership position, serving, etc)?

Are there any major issues (such as finances, relationships, family, lifestyle issues, etc.) that you think we should be aware of?

**Social & Cultural**

*Special Note: These issues are not primary issues for our church but given the cultural moment it is important to hear your thoughts on these issues that can be very divisive in our culture.*

Can people of other religious traditions be saved? (e.g. can a devout Buddhist go to Heaven?)

What is your view on homosexuality? (e.g. should monogamous homosexuals be allowed to be members of our church, serve in ministry positions, or receive the church’s blessing for marriage?)

What is your view on gender issues? (e.g. should a gifted woman be permitted to pastor or preach? Is a husband the head of the wife or should they function in the same way in their marriage?)

**Anything Else You Think We Should Know or Want to Say?**