



10 WAYS TO HELP A CHURCH PLANT

Prayerfully select a church planter to encourage. If needed, ask your District leadership for suggestions. Then choose a way to help and go for it! Here are 10 ideas:

1. Pray for a planter and their team.

Prayer is the primary work of God's people. You and your church can partner in this vital way by encouraging a new plant through prayer. Would your church consider "adopting" a local church planter and praying regularly and intentionally for that leader's church?

2. Send a planting couple to dinner.

Planting is difficult and lonely work. The simple act of a gift like this can really encourage a planting couple. Plus, you never know what kind of friendship you might be able to build with a planter through a kind and generous gesture like this.

3. Invite a planter to share their vision with your church.

Who are the planters in your vicinity? Consider this option as a great way to encourage church planters and cast vision to your people in the process.

4. Give a church plant a one-time gift.

A new church always has equipment needs such as office supplies, sound, A/V, children's ministry equipment. Call or email a church planter and ask about current needs, and then see what needs your church might be able to meet.

5. Hold a "baby shower" for a church plant.

Give them gifts for their startup (office supplies, a/v equipment, etc). Planters can put together a "registry" of items they need, if this is something your church would like to do.

6. Loan your facility to a church plant.

Maybe your church has a facility that you're not using all the time. Consider allowing a church plant to have team meetings, events, or even services at your facility.

7. Financially support a plant for a year or more.

Salaries are rarely stable in church planting. Sacrificial and generous giving from churches and individuals, up and above our regular offerings, is an amazing gesture of Christian unity.

8. Send people from your church to serve for a season.

Send people to help a plant out for a month or two.. or longer!

9. Partner with other churches to plant a church.

Our dream is that it will soon be normal, and even expected, for churches to collaborate together for the purpose of planting more churches.

10. Develop and deploy a planter & team from your church.

Take a faith-filled risk and plant a church! This begins when you identify and train leaders with the purpose of sending them out. Think of Antioch sending Paul and Barnabas in Acts 13! And don't wait until you feel "ready." You'll never feel quite ready.

