

# New Church Pathway

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## Assessment

- Self-assessment tool. (Downloadable at [http://portal.missionalmedia.com/uploads/2/4/5/4/24543084/pre-assess\\_questionnaire.pdf](http://portal.missionalmedia.com/uploads/2/4/5/4/24543084/pre-assess_questionnaire.pdf))
- Contact CMM for consultation and to answer your questions
- Study church planting. Familiarize yourself with the principles, practices, terminology and challenges of church planting.
- Pre-assessment. A CMM consultant will help guide you through the process of preparing for an assessment interview.
- Assessment Interview. A group discernment process to help you clarify your calling to church and to provide you with a personal development plan to help you prepare to plant a church.

## Coaching (if your assessment interview indicates you should proceed with church planting plans)

- Initiate a coaching relationship with a GCI approved coach.
- Continue to study church planting.
- Conduct preliminary demographic studies as you explore potential focus groups and communities for church planting.
- Gather support for your church plant

## Training

- Attend *Church Next Training*. This event provides the initial training necessary to help church planters develop and implement plans to launch, develop and multiply new churches.
- Attend additional training events such as the Exponential Conference. [www.exponentialconference.org](http://www.exponentialconference.org).

### ***Church Next Training* helps church planters prepare for each aspect of starting a new church including:**

#### **Launch** (Implement your *New Church Proposal* after it has been reviewed and approved by CMM)

- Recruiting and developing a Launch Team
- Gathering a Core Group
- Starting ministries
- Making disciples
- Starting public worship service

#### **Development**

- Continue to develop your church plant by engaging non-churched people, building believers, equipping workers, developing ministries, multiplying new leaders, and preparing to start another new church.
- At a time determined by a collaborative process involving CMM, GCI Church Administration and Development (CAD) and the church planter, the new church may receive a GCI Church Charter.

**Multiplication** – Develop and implement plans to start another new church within 2-4 years after initial launch.

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