

GET GROWING

CHECKLIST



**A Step By Step Guide
to Your Church's Growth**

Intro

The Get Growing Checklist



From the very beginning you've been told that growing a church is hard work. It's absolutely possible for every church to grow if the leadership is committed enough to make the changes necessary for growth. As you've learned from the materials, you know that it's not about a great band, flashy lights, contemporary music, or any of the other so-called "Glitz" and marketing that church leaders regularly point to as a source of growth.

Church growth is, and always has been, based on building relationships. That's the model that Jesus gave us, the paradigm that the church in Jerusalem implemented, and the pattern that we see Paul using in his missionary Journeys.

Remember, nobody wants to go to church, but everyone wants their problem solved. If your congregation is focused on solving people's problems in a Christ-centered, biblically mandat-

ed matter, and if you get that word out, and if your congregation is hospitable, and if the visitors are adopted, and if their discipled, there's no question that you're your church will see significant growth. That's a lot of ifs, and the growth will not be exponential to begin with. But if you are consistent and your members are consistent, then exponential growth will come.

The following checklist begins at the foundation of what it takes to grow a church. Please begin at the beginning and don't skip around. If you have a shaky foundation, anything you build will eventually fall apart. Build in the order that this checklist offers, and you will see the results that you've long hoped for.

Checklist

There's a Reason These Are In The Order They're In ...

- We have a biblical mission statement
(Record it below)

- We have three to five core value statements
(Record them below)

- We have a **compelling** Vision
(Record it below)

- We have a formal leadership covenant
(Record it below – or attach it)

- We have formal or informal membership covenants
(Record it below – or attach it)

- We have a well-defined target avatar
(Record the description below – or attach it)

- We know what our target avatar's primary worries (keep them up at night) and aspirations are
(Record them below)

- We have six+ months of problem-solving sermon series and sermons planned
(Record them below – or attach your plan)

- We have created Facebook/Social Media events and created high-engagement posts for each of the series
(Record them below or attach your plan)

- We have planned church events specifically to appeal to our avatar
(Record them below – or attach your plan)

- We have identified community events that will appeal to our avatar and have created a plan to participate and leverage the event to get contact information
(Record them below)

- We have a Hospitality Champion, connected them with training materials, and they are training a First Impressions Team
(Record their name/s below)

- We have an effective process for getting contact information in worship
(Record the process below)

- We have a two-week plus follow-up plan for first-time visitors
(Record the plan below)

- The pastor/staff has enough 5-a-Day hours planned each week
(Record the schedule below)

- The pastor/staff has enough 3-a-Week hours planned each week
(Record the schedule below)

- The pastor/staff has enough Community Exegesis Appointment hours planned each week
(Record the schedule below)

- We have an effective Discipleship Funnel created and implemented
(Record the funnel below – or attach the funnel)
