

Session Four

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Reaching Beyond

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✓ Check each item below after you have discussed it with the Pastors in your Pastors Life Group.
Complete the following before you meet with your Pastors Life Group:

- ❑ 1. Read **Short Term Ministry Projects** on Pages 50 to 53. Be prepared to share why you believe that taking your people on a Short Term Ministry Project will expand the Vision of your people and help them see that your ministry is bigger than your own local Church. A project will also help you equip your people to effectively lead your Church and also equip them to develop other Pastors and leaders in your city, other cities or countries.
- ❑ 2. Complete the **Action Plan** on Page 56 and pray about how you can equip others in your Pastors Life Group or how they can equip you by travelling together and equipping national leaders.
- ❑ 3. Complete the **Summary Report** and **Faith Goals** on Pages 48 and 49, and have it ready to give at the Pastors Life Group. (If you are just beginning a disciple-making process you may not have a lot to report yet but report what you can.)

Complete the following with your Pastors Life Group at the meeting:

- ❑ 4. Share personal praise, encouragement and concerns. Pray for each other.
- ❑ 5. With your Pastors Life Group members discuss **Short Term Ministry Projects** on Pages 50 through 53.
- ❑ 6. Discuss the **Action Plan** on Page 56. We all need to take action to improve the quality of our Churches and also to work together with each other so that our churches can serve other Churches in our city and in other countries.

Prayer and Closing:

- ❑ 7. Share personal or church related concerns and pray for each other and our Church ministries.
- ❑ 8. Go over Preparation assignment for Session Five. Pray as you seek God's direction as to how you can personally Expand Your Vision by being a Certified Trainer.
- ❑ 9. Set a Date _____ Time _____ Place _____ for our next Pastors Life Group session.

Summary Report and Faith Goals

Note: Pray and believe that God will do great things through your Life Group Ministry. You have the potential to see each group double every 6 to 9 months. The following is a **Summary Report** and **Faith Goals** for the **Target Date** of _____. (6 months from today)

Report on the Coaches I work with and their Life Groups: (Our Church)

I work with _____ Coaches. (**Below are the totals for all their groups**)

1. They Coach _____ Life Group Leaders, Our **total** faith Goal is _____ new Groups = _____.

They have _____ Apprentices. As they begin to lead their own group, we will need _____ new Apprentices (to replace the present Apprentices plus for the new groups).

2. A total of _____ people regularly attend these Life Groups. We will need to add _____ new People or _____ each month.

3. There were _____ New Attendees at the Life Groups this past month.

4. The total Number of **pairs** actively engaged in One-to-One Training in Our Church:

Dynamic Basics _____ our Goal is _____.

Dynamic Discipling _____ our Goal is _____.

Dynamic Sharing _____ our Goal is _____.

5. #_____ people received Christ as their Savior through the witness of the people in these Life Groups this past month. Our Goal is _____ x 6 months = _____.

6. We have planted _____ New Churches. Our Goal is _____.

Comments or Stories of Significant Life Change (attach copies)

Summary Report on all the Pastors/Churches Our Church serves:

7. We serve _____ Pastors/Churches. Our Goal is _____.
8. They have planted _____ new Churches. Our Goal is _____.
9. Together they have a total of _____ Life Groups, _____ Leaders, _____ Apprentices.
10. The total Number of **pairs** actively engaged in One-to-One Training in these Churches:
Dynamic Basics _____.
Dynamic Discipling _____.
Dynamic Sharing _____.
11. #_____ people received Christ as their Savior through the witness of the people in these Churches this past month. Our Goal is _____ x 6 months = _____.

A Total Report on all the Churches Our Pastors Life Group serves:

12. Together we serve _____ Pastors/Churches. Our Goal is _____.
13. Together we have planted _____ new Churches. Our Goal is _____.
14. Together we have a total of _____ Life Groups, _____ Leaders, _____ Apprentices.
15. The total Number of **pairs** actively engaged in One-to-One Training in these Churches:
Dynamic Basics _____.
Dynamic Discipling _____.
Dynamic Sharing _____.
16. #_____ people received Christ as their Savior through the witness of the people in all these Churches this past month. Our Goal is _____ x 6 months = _____.

**Are all these Churches Growing
Exponentially?**

Dynamic Churches International

Short Term Ministry Projects

The DCI Vision Statement:

To have sufficient trainers equipped and helping Pastors and Christian Leaders develop enough dynamic disciple-making churches to reach each community in every country of the world with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

The **Purpose of this Short Term Ministry Project** is to **initiate ministry** in such a way that we **establish national Certified Trainers** who can **reproduce themselves**. By doing this we will have **sufficient trainers equipped and helping Pastors and Christian Leaders develop enough dynamic disciple-making churches with enough witnesses to reach each community in their country with the gospel of Jesus Christ.**

Each situation will be different, however the following guidelines will help you as you plan for your ministry opportunity.

Before you leave: (✓ when completed)

- ☐ Attend Short Term Ministry Project Orientation
- ☐ Be approved for a Ministry Project
- ☐ Be assigned to a particular Project
 - ☐ Project _____
 - ☐ Team Leader. Name _____ Ph. _____ ☐
 - Date: From _____ to _____
 - ☐ Who (national contact) invited the team to come.
 - Name _____ Ph. _____
 - Address _____
 - ☐ Contact Person in Project country.
 - Name _____ Ph. _____
 - Address _____
 - Ministry Organization _____ Ph. _____
- ☐ Do you have adequate insurance?
 - ☐ Travel and or accident
 - ☐ Health (for out of the country)
- ☐ Home and auto (for while you are away from home)

Finances needed for this project:

- | | | |
|--------------------------|---|---------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Arrange for travel, both to and from project. | Cost \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Arrange ride to and from airports. | Cost \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Arrange accommodations. | Cost \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Food | Cost \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Passport valid and current | Cost \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Arrange for visas (if required) . | Cost \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Arrange for medical shots (if required) | Cost \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Other _____ | Cost \$ _____ |
| | Total \$ | _____ |

Do you need financial support? _____

How do you plan to raise the necessary support? _____

- ☐ Prepare to take clothing appropriate for the climate and culture.

Project Development Process

1. Recruit Potential Trainers

How to Initiate: (Set up as much as you can before you leave and continue in country)

What other contacts do you have, relative to this project? In that country _____

Other _____

Arrange the following with national contact:

How they plan to expose you and the DCI ministry to the people they know? _____

When do they plan to do that? _____

How many people? _____ Date? _____ Time _____

Place? _____

Do they have commitment from one church that would produce a strong model of disciple-making? _____ Which church? _____

Pastor _____ Will he train other Churches? _____

Have you/they identified a potential National Certified Trainer(s)? _____

Who? _____

Why did you/they choose him? _____

Have you/they challenged him? _____ Is he interested? _____

Is he available? _____ When? _____

How would he be supported? _____

2. Train Him in the DCI Ministry Process

How to Establish a National Certified Trainer: (They observe you as your Apprentice)

- ☐ As you train the first churches, see it as a training time for the potential National Certified Trainer(s) - (possibly one or more of the Pastors).

Note: See Process of Development for an Apprentice to Become a Certified Trainer on Page 65

- ☐ Spend individual time with the potential trainer(s). **Your ministry will flow out of your relationship.**
- ☐ Share your vision and what you believe God will do in their country
- ☐ Help them clarify their own vision for their country and beyond (Capturing God's Vision)

Note: Complete the Process of Development for an Apprentice to Become a Certified Trainer with them observing you.

- ☐ Take them (and have your wife take their wives if possible) through the One-to-One Basics, Discipling and Sharing
- ☐ Help establish the first Life Group(s) and attend several times to encourage and coach

3. Equipped to Train Others in the DCI Ministry Process

They are Equipped to Reproduce: (You observe Them as your Apprentice(s))

Note: Complete the Process of Development for an Apprentice to Become a Certified Trainer as you observe them.

- ☐ Help the potential trainer(s) share their vision and the DCI Explosive Growth Disciple-Making Process PowerPoint Overview with several other pastors (individually and/or in a group).
- ☐ Help them to arrange for the translation (if necessary) of all needed materials. Be sure to get proper copyright approval.
- ☐ Will there be a cost for the translation work? _____ How much? \$_____ USD. Who will pay for it? _____
- ☐ After field-testing and editing, help arrange for printing. # of books needed _____ Cost \$_____ USD. Who will pay for it? _____

4. Mobilize for Ministry

How to Expand Their Vision: (Help them see the need for a strategy to train others)

Help them develop a strategy to **develop enough dynamic disciple-making churches to equip sufficient witnessing disciples to reach each community in their country with the gospel of Jesus Christ.**

A Sample Strategy

God alone knows how the Great Commission will be accomplished but you may want to use the following as a guideline to help them develop their vision..

A _____ = Population of our community (or country). Each disciple sharing with 9 other people (1 in 10) we would need **A**) by 10 = **B**

B _____ = Witnessing Disciples to reach our community (or country)

C _____ = The number of active Churches committed to outreach **B**) by **C** = **D**

D _____ = Average number of Witnessing Disciples needed in each Church

*Is it possible for each church to produce **D** _____ Witnessing Disciples?*

Here's how it could happen:

You could begin the first Life Group now that could grow to 10 people.

Teach each group member to live Free in Christ. If 8 of the 10 really understood and claimed their potential in Christ and became a disciple and were trained in how to share their faith, is it reasonable that 4 of the 10 would become witnessing disciples and share Christ on average with 9 other people? _____ There is presently 1 Christian to 9 non-Christians in the world.

How many groups would you need in your church?

D _____) by 4 witnessing disciples/group = **E** _____ (number of groups needed in the average church)

*How do we produce **E** _____ groups?*

It can be done! Here's how it could happen:

If you started today with one group and each group went from 1 to 2 groups. E.g.

1 X 2 = 2 X 2 = 4 X 2 = 8 X 2 = 16 X 2 = 32 X 2 = 64 X 2 = 128 X 2 = 256 X 2 = 512 X 2 = 1024

Circle the **number** of groups on the above line that you will need. The number of generations of reproduction that will be required to reach your goal of **E** _____ groups is _____.

E.g.: if you needed 60 groups, it would take 6 generations of reproduction.

How many National Certified Trainers will be needed to equip **C** _____ churches in your community (country)? _____ (1 Church for every 1000 people)

How will you train _____ Certified Trainers? Each one trains one!

Example:

1 X 2 = 2 X 2 = 4 X 2 = 8 X 2 = 16 X 2 = 32 X 2 = 64 X 2 = 128 X 2 = 256 X 2 = 512 X 2 = 1024

Short Term Ministry Project Application Form

Name: _____ Date _____

Address _____ Age _____ ☐ Male ☐ Female

Phone: Home _____ Office _____ Fax _____

E-mail: _____

Who challenged you for this project? Name _____ Phone _____

Project Preference: Country _____ People Group _____

☐ Wherever needed most

☐ I would be available from _____/_____/____ to _____/_____/____
Day Mon. Yr. Day Mon. Yr.

☐ Several short-term projects this year.

☐ as needed

Preferred length of stay:

☐ 2-4 weeks

☐ 4-8 weeks

☐ 8-12 weeks

☐ 12-16 weeks

☐ 6 months

☐ 1 year

How long have you been a Christian? _____ years

How did you become a Christian? _____

Why do you want to go on this Ministry Project? _____

I have had the following experiences that I believe have prepared me for this ministry opportunity: (Y and complete all that apply)

☐ I speak the following languages _____

☐ I served with _____ missionary group(s) if any, for _____ years.

My ministry responsibilities were _____

☐ previous short-term missions project(s) if any _____

☐ I have served as a pastor of a church. Name _____

If several include a list. _____ Years of experience as a Pastor.

- ☐ Coached small group leaders
- ☐ Led a Small Group. _____ years of experience.
- ☐ Trained others in One-to-One discipleship. (Number of people)
- _____ Dynamic Basics
- _____ Dynamic Discipling
- _____ Dynamic Sharing
- ☐ Other _____
- ☐ Experience in Freedom in Christ ministry. Explain _____
- _____
- _____
- ☐ Church Experience: _____
- _____
- _____
- ☐ Business Experience: _____
- _____
- _____
- ☐ Led seminars or workshops: _____
- _____
- ☐ Experience in Substance Abuse Ministry: _____
- _____
- ☐ I have shared the gospel _____ times in the past 12 months.
- ☐ I am an Apprentice Trainer. (Send a copy of your A Process of Development for an Apprentice to Become a Certified Trainer – Page 65)
- ☐ I have completed the Certified Trainer Training. Approval Date _____
- ☐ I have read and agree with the Statement of Faith on Page 66.

Signed _____

Send to your project coordinator or:

Dynamic Churches International
164 Stonegate Close, Airdrie, Alberta, Canada, T4B 2V2
Ph./Fax 403-912-4438
E-mail dcimiddleton@shaw.ca

Action Plan

- ❑ Discuss Projects with the other Pastors you could work together on (or contact Dynamic Churches International for international opportunities).

- ❑ List possible local church projects:

- ❑ List possible church projects you could do in other cities:

- ❑ List possible church projects you could do in other parts of your country:

- ❑ List possible church projects you could do in other countries:

Select one project and set dates for:

Promotion start _____

Recruitment deadline _____

Project from _____ to _____