

Multiplication Network Ministries has developed an accountability system to report the details of the work of church planters. This reporting benefits five groups that are stakeholders in the church planting process: church planters, trainers/mentors, denominational leaders, prayer and financial partners, and the Multiplication Network.

- 1. Church planters** benefit by seeing the results of their work during the 12 months of training. They are bolstered by the reality that someone is interested in them and cares about the work they are doing. This accountability will help the planters make adjustments throughout the church planting process. The seven metrics used in the report are designed to help guide the activities that lead to strategic results in church planting. Do not underestimate the value of this accountability in the program. Ultimately, it helps everyone celebrate what the church planters have accomplished by the grace of God.
- 2. The trainers and/or the mentors of the church planters** are helped by knowing that their teaching and training is being effective in accomplishing the desired result. The seven metrics provided in the report allow the trainers to better guide the participants or trainees in their work and ministry. For the mentors, the report becomes a conversation piece to help the church planters be more effective and successful in their calling.
- 3. The denominational leaders or supervisors** need to know how the program is benefiting the organization or ministry. Accurate information will allow the leaders to celebrate the victories and also to make adjustments in the overall strategy.
- 4. The prayer and financial partners** stay connected and encouraged through the reporting, both statistically and in story and picture form. It is appropriate that those who provide finances and prayer support receive up-to-date information in order to celebrate the impact of their investment. This also allows the partners to pray faithfully for the field work.
- 5. Multiplication Network Ministries** is helped as we learn from strategic partners around the world. The reporting and metrics help us to constantly improve our services. If we are serious about washing the feet of church planters, we need to know how this ministry is helping them achieve their goal of planting churches. Metrics help us strive for excellence.

In both the Old and New Testaments, we find ample evidence that reports are given of the results of ministry and records kept of the expansion of the Gospel. When used with wisdom and humility, reporting becomes a powerful tool for the glory of God. (See the reverse side for the Biblical foundations of reporting and accountability.)