

NEXT STEPS – HOW TO CUSTOMIZE YOUR PATH FORWARD

This short eBook has hopefully given you some...

- creative concepts for processing
- new ideas for adoption, and
- fresh encouragement to go further in areas where you are already doing well.

The journey of building a missional church is not a simple one, but is one upon which more leaders and churches are embarking. There are many wonderful resources available, and books that will help shape your thinking.

Each year I speak with hundreds of dynamic church leaders across the nation, and find that there is a growing desire to build churches that are smartly missional, equipping disciple-making disciples of Jesus.

Maybe you are one of these faith-filled leaders – and perhaps you are...

- Transitioning an existing churches
- Planting new expressions of church life
- Serving across a number of churches as a leader in a denominations or network of leaders.

It is a truly exciting time to be alive in church leadership!

But there's one question I receive more than any other. Can you guess what it is?

"Who has the experience to coach me in missional church practicalities?"

Even the strongest leaders are looking for this, because they know the power of investing in seasoned coaching and input.

There are so many practicalities to wrestle through, particularly in the everyday details of leading missional communities – and I might be the coach to help you.

At this point, let me share with you a little of my experience, to help you gauge if I might be the right guide for you and your situation. In short, I've...

- Served in 5 churches in 2 countries where missional communities have become a key part of that church's growth
- With my wife Hannah, personally started and led 5 missional communities
- Directly overseen the start of 120+ missional communities since 2007 here in the 3 US churches where we've been part of the team
- Helped coach 3 new campuses that sprung from missional communities, as well as a number of church plants
- Since 2003, coached numerous church leaders and churches in making the missional shift. This has involved discipling groups, on-site consultations, phone and video calls, speaking at conferences, countless workshops and seminars, preaching, church weekends, helping build customized programs, and so on
- Authored several key missional books, including the most downloaded eBook from Exponential.org (*The Viral Gospel*), and the 2016 Zondervan release *Discipleship That Fits*

In order to help serve you better, I've created two options to guide you in your next steps – both personally and at your church.

Option 1: Individual Coaching

If you would welcome a season of in-depth personal investment in you and your leadership, Dandelion's individual coaching packages are for you.

- Direct, personal coaching with either myself (Alex Absalom), my wife Hannah, or an agreed upon team member
- Meeting on an agreed schedule over a number of months, through video conferencing or on the phone
- Focused on helping you achieve specific and measurable goals that we set together at the start of our process

Along with your completion of our coaching preparation form, we will use our initial session to talk through an overview of your current situation, and where you are most wanting to grow. We will then agree a boutique coaching package for you, that will provide a healthy structure for our interactions.

The cost will vary according to the frequency and length of our times together, but are priced very competitively.

To find out more, please [follow this link](#) to the online form on the Dandelion website, or go to dandelionresourcing.com/coaching-request/

Option 2: Church Consulting

- Invest in a fully customized consultation process, shaped around you, your leadership team, and your church's specific needs
- Utilizing a mixture of on-site visits, video conferencing with your team, and open-access phone calls between the senior leader and Alex Absalom

Would you like your church to grow into her calling as a disciple-making community? Do you long to see the move into missional communities take place in a way that is healthy, sustainable and reproducible? How might your church family experience more of the present-day empowering of the Holy Spirit, through training and modeling that is born out of much experience, solid Biblical theology, and a low-hype manner?

If any of these areas are high on your prayer list for your church, then having an experienced church consultant walk alongside you in this next season could be a hugely significant next step.

I have worked with many churches and leaders, and would love to hear your story, and your hopes for what might be next in the story of what Jesus is doing through you. Together we can then talk through different options, coming up with a mutually agreed process, specific goals, and tangible next steps that will help birth the vision that you have.

This is about setting the direction for your church not just for the next year, but laying foundations that will carry you into the next decade. This is an investment too important to ignore!

Your initial conversations with me come at no cost, as we decide together whether this is a partnership that God wants to make. Out of that I will write a formal consultation proposal, which is ideal to share with your church leadership/ elders/ board etc. References are also available upon request.

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THE 10 LIFE-GIVING LAWS OF A MISSIONAL CHURCH

A one page printout of the 10 laws that will help YOU build a more missional church!

LAW #1 - You Must Be All About Love!

LAW #2 - You Must Have Ruthless Specificity About Your Mission Vision

LAW #3 - You Must Prioritize Authentic Christian Community

LAW #4 - You Must Become A Centered Set Church

LAW #5 - You Must Reset Your Scorecard For Success

LAW #6 - You Must Give Up Command And Control Models Of Leadership

LAW #7 - You Must Seek Out Accountability

LAW #8 - You Must Be Naturally Supernatural

LAW #9 - You Must Have A Common Vocabulary

LAW #10 - You Must Still Value Your Sunday Gatherings

Your Next Step

To move forward as a missional church, and to explore coaching options that will guide you in this process, please click this link to explore options from Alex Absalom and Dandelion Resourcing.

<http://dandelionresourcing.com/contact/>