

Resources Church planting:

Web-sites:

Norwegian only: www.nms.no/menighet

www.freshexpressions.org.uk , www.sharetheguide.org

The Sheffield Centre (Church Army) *Encounters on the Edge*.

www.churcharmy.org.uk/ms/sc/sfc_home.asp

Anglican Cell UK www.anglicancelluk.org

Anglican Church Plant Initiatives www.acpi.org.uk

Books

* Male, David, *Church Unplugged. Remodelling Church Without Losing Your Soul*. (2008) (can be ordered from <http://www.wesleyowen.com>)

Robinson, Martin. *Planting Mission-Shaped Churches Today*. Oxford: Monarch Books, 2006.

Lings, Georg and Murray, Stuart. *Church Planting: Past, Present and Future*. Grove evangelism series 61. Cambridge: Grove Books, 2003.

Mission-shaped Church: Church Planting and Fresh Expressions of Church in a Changing Context. Mission and public affairs Series. London: Church House Publishing, 2004.

Potter, Phil. *The Challenge of Cell Church: Getting to Grips with Cell Church Calues*. Oxford: Bible Reading Fellowship, 2001.

Church Planting Methods - Good Practice (Bob og Mary Hopkins)

Summary:

Is NOT

- Building and Sunday centred
- Transfer of a bit of worshipping church to new context
- Thinking that a worship service in a new area would bring new folk

But IS

- Motivated by mission
- Arises out of engagement with the mission context
- And the mission context shapes the outcome

Principles:

1. Strong vision = clear mission focus (who reaching)

2. Pioneer Leader(s)

3. Committed team = Good relational dynamic

= Includes evangelist(s)

catalysing the team

4. Follow a Process of Organic Development (Life Cycle)

a. Laying foundation in prayer

b. Develop understanding of cultural context

c. Relate to folk and build meaningful relationships

d. Respond to what God shows and felt needs/aspirations

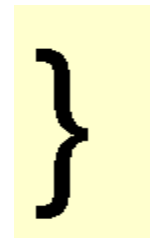
e. Disciple those who are open

f. Build small group nurture with “locals”

g. Develop a larger gathering when and how appropriate to what emerges

5. Planting church provides appropriate support at start (coaching) and releasing

time



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