

Network Leader Expectations

Roles, Responsibilities, and Time Commitments



How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity! — Psalm 133

Network Leader: Apostolic Multiplier and Shepherd

Role Summary: The Network Leader is an apostolic multiplier and shepherd, modeled on the relational depth seen in Romans 16, called to accelerate the exponential advance of God's Kingdom. This role provides strategic direction, cultivates a culture of **Friends on Mission**, and drives accountability for reproduction. Success is measured solely by the network's ability to consistently multiply disciples, leaders, and churches.

Core Accountability: Reproduction Through Start, Sustain, Send, and Scale

The Network Leader is directly accountable for executing the mission through these four pillars:

- **Start (Pioneering and Vision):** Pioneer new church-planting initiatives and actively champion the Kingdom Vision, recruiting new leaders and churches into the movement.
- **Sustain (Relational Health and Mission Focus):** Maintain network health, cultivating a culture of Friends on Mission and holding space for networks through consistent coaching calls and hosting monthly meetings (e.g., using the NET Framework). Coach leaders to stay aligned with the Jesus Mission and hold them accountable via annual reviews of their My Reproducing Plans (MRPs).
- **Send (Empowerment and Release):** Lead churches toward consistent reproduction by modeling multiplication (e.g., the 2-2-2 model). Empower and release leaders to launch and commission new church plants into the mission field.
- **Scale (Apprenticeship and Movement Building):** Ensure movement multiplication by identifying, training, and deploying an Apprentice Network Leader annually. This commitment transitions the network toward self-reproduction and regional movement.

Time Commitments of a Network Leader

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As a Network Leader, you will dedicate around 6-8 hours each month to vital activities that foster growth, connection, and multiplication within your network. Here are the core responsibilities and time commitments:

- Visit each church in your network at least once a year.
- Prepare for and lead monthly meetings using necessary resources, including the Network Meeting Playbook.¹
- Manage communications regarding these meetings and foster collaboration among church leaders.
- Provide pastoral care to church leaders through one-on-one meetings, phone calls, and intentional prayer.
- Optionally, join monthly network meetings and movement gatherings.
- **Champion Vision and Multiplication:** Model reproduction at every level (e.g., the 2-2-2 model) and ensure your network focuses on the Kingdom Question—how to multiply in God’s Kingdom.
- **Coaching and Accountability:** Conduct monthly 1:1 calls or huddles to review My Reproducing Plans (MRPs), discuss challenges, and provide prayer and support.
- **Leadership Development:** Identify and train an Apprentice Network Leader annually to ensure the long-term movement multiplication and regional scaling.
- **Administrative and Financial Oversight:** Maintain a clear understanding of network funds and manage logistics for collaboration and shared mission field resources.

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