MENTORING PARTICIPANT'S GUIDE

Welcome to the world of mentoring. In this four-session workshop, you will learn the basics of what a mentoring program should be like. Although what is taught in these four sessions can be applied in different contexts in the church, the purpose of this specific mentor training is for those who will coach church planters-in-training.



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This handbook is an abridged and revised version of the original trainer's manual on mentoring. Additional explanatory notes are found under the section titled "Notes from the Authors" in the final pages.

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SESSION ONE WHAT IS MENTORING?

"As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another," Proverbs 27:17.



OBJECTIVES

- To discover biblical examples of mentoring
- · To describe the key terms related to mentoring

BIBLICAL EXAMPLES OF MENTORING

MOSES AS MENTOR



Exodus 17:9-14; 24:13-18; 32:17-18; 33:11; Numbers 11:24-29; 14:6-9, 30, 38; 27:18-23; 32:12; 34:17; Deuteronomy 1:38; 3:21-22, 28; 31:3, 7-8, 14, 23; 32:44-46; 34:9; Joshua 1:1-18; 24:31; Judges 2:7-11.

These are important characters in the history of the settlement of the Promised Land.

What knowledge or experience did Moses possess tha	
	t Joshua needed?
How did Moses transfer that knowledge and experience	ce to Joshua?
How did Joshua develop or grow as a result of his rela	tionship with Moses?
How did Moses empower Joshua?	
What was the end result for the people of God?	





BARNABAS AS MENTOR

Acts 9:27-29; 11:25-26; 15: 36-41. Colossians 4:10. 1 Peter 5:13. Acts 12:25; 13:4-5; 13:13. Philemon 1:24.

WITH SAUL OF TARSUS | PAUL

1.	Describe how the relationship between Barnabas and Saul (Paul) developed.						
2.	What knowledge or experience did Barnabas possess that Paul needed?						
3.	How was that knowledge and experience transferred to Paul?						
4.	How did Paul develop or grow as a result of his relationship with Barnabas?						
5.	How did Barnabas empower Paul?						
6.	What was the positive outcome of Barnabas mentoring Paul?						

WITH JOHN MARK

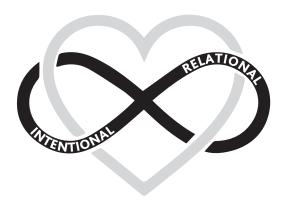
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1.	Why did Paul no longer want to continue working with John Mark?
2.	What did Barnabas and Paul decide?
3.	Who were Paul and Barnabas going to mentor?
4.	What was the result of Paul and Barnabas' mentoring?
PA	UL AS MENTOR
	Acts 16:1-5; 17:14; 19:22; 20:4; 1 Corinthians 4:17; 2 Corinthians 1:1, 19; 7:5-16; 8:6, 16-24; 12:18; Galatians 2:1-3; Philippians 2:19-22; 2 Thessalonians 3:1-3, 6; 1 Timothy 1:2, 18-20; 2 Timothy 4:10; Titus 1:4-5.



1.	Describe how Paul used relationships with young men to develop them as leaders
2.	What did Paul know and what had he experienced that Timothy and Titus needed to know?
3.	What was the knowledge and experience transferred to Timothy and Titus?

4.	How did Timothy and Titus develop and grow as a result of their relationship with Paul?
5.	How did Paul empower his mentees?
6.	What was the positive result of Paul's mentoring?

DEFINING "MENTORING"



WHY SHOULD WE BE INTENTIONAL?

Mentoring is "a relational experience in which one person empowers another by sharing God-given resources." –Stanley and Clinton

1.	Mentoring is a process.
2.	It is; it is not spontaneous or purposeless.
3.	The mentor has experience to
4.	Something is transferred (resources, information).
5.	The mentor
6.	The mentor

RELATIONAL - INTENCIONAL - SHARE- FACILITATES DEVELOPMENT - EMPOWERS



- 1. Share an experience when you were mentored.
- 2. If you remember who it was, talk about it.
- 3. Was it spontaneous or planned?

DEFINING "MENTOR"

Mentor is a character in the *Odyssey* who was in charge of the young son of Odysseus, Telemachus. *Mentor* acted as his advisor and teacher.

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1.	The mentee is an		learner who ha	as consciously	
	undertaken a develo	pmental journey.		-	
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2.	The mentee makes th	ne effort to			
	and wisdom offered.	effectively h	is knowledge, skill	s, insights, perspective	s, o
	Why is it important his mentor?	for the mentee to eva	aluate or internali	ze what he receives f	ron
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		LAYING THE FO	UNDATION		
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		PROVIDING LEADERS	HIP FORMATION.		
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What aspects of mentoring are the most exciting to you personally?
What aspects of mentoring do you find most challenging?
n your own words, what is a mentor?
n your own words, what is a mentee?

SESSION TWO

MENTORING THE ADULT LEARNER

"You cannot teach a man anything, you can only help him find it within himself." -Galileo Galilei

OBJECTIVES



To differentiate between pedagogy and andragogy.

- To present the church planter as an adult learner.
- To explore the styles of adult learning.
- To identify the challenges adult learners face.
- To list the benefits of mentoring, for the mentor and the mentee.

Discuss the difference between teaching adults and teaching children.



PEDAGOGY	ANDRAGOGY
Greek π αιδος "paidos," child and γ ωγος "gogos," to lead	Greek ἀνήρ, man and ἀγωγή, helping or guiding.
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CHARACTERISTICS OF ADULT LEARNERS

Our mentees are adult learners. Each one has a lifetime of experiences that is useful to process and evaluate new information and make decisions. Most, however, lack experience in church planting and pastoral ministry. Nevertheless, the mentees have chosen to enter a new phase of ministry training. They seek wise counsel to facilitate their development. Those who serve as their mentors need to enter this relationship with an understanding of how adults learn best.

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2. They make and a	accept	responsibility	y.
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- 3. They bring their ______ to the learning process.
- 4. They are ______ on the challenges they want to resolve.
- 5. They are ______, ready to learn.
- 6. They require ______.



SELF-DIRECTED - DECISIONS - - EXPERIENCES - FOCUSED SELF-MOTIVATED - INMEDIATE APPLICATION

WHY IS IT NECESSARY TO KNOW THE CHARACTERISTICS OF ADULT LEARNERS?

imposes his own agenda?
THEY MAKE THEIR OWN DECISIONS. The mentor should guide the mentees in making the appropriate decision on their own instead of giving his own answer. What could happen if the mentor makes decisions instead of the mentees? Whose decision is it?
THEY POSSESS A RESERVOIR OF EXPERIENCE. This should be taken into account to enrich the mentoring. The cumulated experiences of the mentees give them the ability to evaluate and assimilate new information and experiences. How can non-ministry experience help them solve a problem in the ministry?
THEY ARE FOCUSED ON THEIR CHALLENGES. The mentor should base his mentoring on helping the mentees look for alternative ways to resolve their challenges. Searching for practical solutions, not just theories, that can or cannot be applied. How can the experiences of the mentees be a tool to find practical solution in church planting?
THEY ARE SELF-MOTIVATED. The mentor does not need to force his mentees to learn. The most powerful motivators are internal pressures to complete their own goals. When did they learn something of value? When was it from personal motivation or was it through a teacher's motivation?

	need immediate application of what they are learning or it is not valuable. They will even stop participating and attending if they do not see how to apply to their lives what they are learning.
LE	ARNING STYLES
1.	: Auditory or oral learners excel when information is given in verbal form. They experience high levels of recall and retention fo lectures and discussions.
2.	: When the information is read or seen, visual learners do extremely well. They have highest recall from graphics, images and illustrations.
3.	: Kinesthetic learners are also called tactile learners. They are discovery learners whose learning ability is enhanced through touch and experimentation.
4.	: Ambient comfort, lighting, and prope temperature levels increase environmental leaners' ability to process and retain new information.
	Which of these is your learning style? Share a personal experience to supporthis.
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Ho	w could you help your mentee identify his own learning style?
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	w could you adjust your mentoring style to match the learning styles of you ntee?

CHALLENGES THAT CHURCH PLANTERS FACE

existing responsibilities
Family
Job
Education, ministerial training
Spiritual growth and health
Other social responsibilities
Time management
nnaging
Household
Education
Ministry
Work (bivocational church planters)
ining <u>.</u>
Educational challenges related to classroom and outside assignments
Fear of failure
Ministerial competency
veloping a Friends and relatives who will provide emotional support for family Prayer partners and intercessory group Mentor

BALANCING - FINANCES - CONFIDENCE - SUPPORT SYSTEM

THE MENTOR WILL:
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CONCLUSION
How does your knowledge about the nature of mentees help you to know how to help church planters learn better?
How has this session changed your approach to mentoring? How will you mentor church planters as a result of what you have learned about the characteristics of mentees?

SESSION THREE

THE MENTORING RELATIONSHIP

"After all, the trip belongs to the traveler, not the guide." – Daloz



OBJECTIVES

- To list some qualities of a good mentor and a toxic mentor.
- To list some qualities of a good mentee and a bad mentee.
- · To recognize some dangers in mentoring.
- To identify the importance of trust and confidentiality.

QUALITIES OF A GOOD MENTOR

1.	A good mentor is a	
2.	A good mentor deals with the "	_" moments in life.
3.	Good mentors are like	
4.	A good mentor helps a mentee see the	
5.	A good mentor is an	
6.	A good mentor is a	
7.	A good mentor	
	Which of these characteristics describe you? Which one develop?	-
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To help the mentee analyze a situation, here are some suggestions:

- Identify important information, including the background.
- Reflect on the situation objectively.
- Identify the assumptions of the mentee.
- Consider other points of views.
- Consider the impact of the cultural context on the people they are ministering to.



QUALITIES OF A TOXIC MENTOR

There are qualities in a mentoring relationship that can constrain learning. Look at the list below without given it too much time.

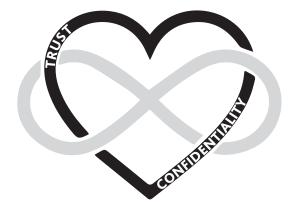
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	JALITIES OF A GOOD MENTEE	
	A good mentee takes	for his own learning.
	A good mentee is an	,
	 A good mentee is a Seeks helpful feedback and dem Is not afraid to ask for whatever Is never afraid to ask questions. Actively participates in the men Takes advantage of the mentor' 	nonstrates appreciation for it. The needs to grow. toring relationship.
	A good mentee is a	learner
	A good mentee is	
ι	VALITIES OF A BAD MENTEE	
	They are overly	on their mentors for answers.
	They don't take theneed to be covered.	to identify new areas that
	They	_ what their mentors say or suggest.
	They fail toenvision where they could be.	the reality of the present situation and

ADVICE - CRITICIZES - RESCUES - SUPPORTS - BARRIERS - DISCOUNTS RESPONSIBILITY - ACTIVE LISTENER - PROACTIVE - LIFELONG - TRANSPARENT DEPENDENT - INITIATIVE - DISCOUNT - ANALYZE

WARNINGS ABOUT MENTORING

1.		Do not devalue others. (Galatians 5:13; Ephesians 5:21;
	Romans 12:10)	, , ,
2.		Do not intervene.
3.	15:7; Ephesians 4:32)	Don't discourage. (1 Thessalonians 5:11; Romans 4:13,
4.		Do not be arrogant. (Philippians 2:3)
5.		Be slow to speak.
6.		Don't assume.
7.	GIVE	TIME. Don't take shortcuts.
8.		Do not fail to build them up.
9.	GIVE	Do not look everything up for them.
10.	PROVIDE	Don't give easy answers.

IMPORTANCE OF TRUST AND CONFIDENTIALITY



- Mentoring is built on a base of trust and confidentiality.
- Without trust, there can be no confidentiality. Without confidentiality, all trust is lost.
- No mentoring relationship will be effective or will last if what is said in confidence is not kept in confidence, or if the mentee feels that confidentiality will not be kept.
- Even when mentors do maintain confidentiality, if their mentees believe this is lacking, the mentees will quickly cease to share openly.
- Without transparency, the mentoring relationship will never get to the heart issues.

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What most impacted you from this session?
Based on the lists of what make a good mentor and a bad mentor, which ones do you need to work on?

SESSION FOUR

BEGINNING A MENTORING RELATIONSHIP

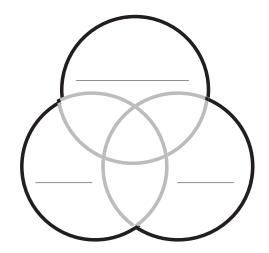
"Jesus provides the very best model of a mentor." -Teja & Osterhouse



OBJECTIVES

- To describe the Mentoring Covenant.
- To provide an example of the agenda for a mentoring session.
- To formulate questions the mentor can use.
- To explain the importance of Action Points.
- To learn how to use the Mentor Record.

THE MENTORING COVENANT



COMPONENTS OF A MENTORING COVENANT

- 1. When and where shall we meet?
- 2. How long of a meeting shall we have?
- 3. How often shall we meet?
- 4. What will be the topics of our sessions together?
- 5. What topics, if any, will be taboo?
- 6. What are the rules for confidentiality?
- 7. How will we know when we have accomplished what we set out to do?*

When the mentor and mentee have accomplished the goals of their mentoring relationship, they can decide whether they want to continue meeting together. If so, they should then create a new mentoring covenant.

*For the mentees in the MNM training, this point will be discussed in the last module of the church-planting program.



QUESTIONS TO ASK BEFORE SIGNING A MENTORING COVENANT

The following are some questions you can ask your mentee that are based on andragogy.

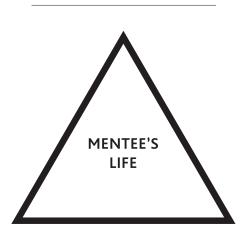
- 1. Why are you involved in the mentoring process?
- 2. What skills or information would you like to learn?
- 3. What characteristics would you like to develop in the next five months?
- 4. What characteristics would you like to change in the upcoming months?
- 5. What are some experiences you've had and how can God use them in your ministry?
- 6. What problems or challenges are you currently facing in your ministry, in your relationship with God or with your family?

AGENDA FOR A MENTORING SESSION



THREE TYPES OF QUESTIONS FOR MENTORING

The mentor should be concerned about three areas of the mentee's life.



- 1. The mentee's spiritual life.
- 2. His relationship with his family.
- 3. The mentee's ministry life.

SPIRITUAL LIFE

Questions for the mentors to ask their mentees about their spiritual life:

- What is God saying to you at this time? How do you know this?
- What has God taught you since our last session?
- How would you evaluate your walk with God at this moment: close, mediocre or distant?
- Do you have a daily quiet time with God? Describe it for me.
- How are you incorporating the disciplines of prayer and fasting into your life as you
 plant this church?

Note: If mentees confess a sin in their life, it is at the discretion of the mentors how to handle this, both from the point of confidentiality and in counseling the mentees with the purpose of restoring them. Mentors should encourage their mentees to confess the sin to God, renounce it and make restitution if possible as a sign of their repentance.

Additional questions about the mentee's spiritual life:					

FAMILY LIFE

Questions for the mentors to ask their mentees about their family life:

- How much time are you giving to your family?
- Do you and your spouse have a special time weekly when you go off by yourselves to reconnect? Please share with me what you do.
- How do your children feel about the time you have for them?
- What things do you do to make your home a safe haven for your family? How do you prevent your home from becoming a public house, with constant visits from those you are ministering to?
- Are you dealing with any family issues that are hindering your ability to be effective in planting a church?

Adc	Additional questions about the mentee's family life:				
MIN	NISTRY LIFE				
	Questions for the mentors to ask their mentees about their ministry life:				
•	Questions for the mentors to ask their mentees about their ministry life: Can you tell me about a recent visit you've had with a new contact? How did it go and why? Is there a struggle you're having right now in planting the church? Please tell me about this. How many visits have you made since our last meeting and how many of these have been follow-up visits? What are you doing to get to know the area better? What new thing have you learned about your target area? How successful have you been in starting a small group? Have any conflicts surfaced? If so, how did you handle them? Do you see any people in your small group who are potential leaders? Tell me about them. How comfortable do you feel with the rhythm at which the church is being planted?				
•	Is there any area in ministry in which you are discovering yourself to be uncomfortable or in need of help? Whom have you asked to be prayer supporters for you as you plant this church? How				
	often do you communicate prayer requests and answers to them? litional questions about the mentee's family life:				

	Why do you think this training puts the issues about spiritual and family life before ministry life?
ACTI	ON POINTS
The m	entoring session is not complete without mentors having asked the question, "So, are your next steps?" Mentees need to be challenged to consider and determine

ο, what they will do next, whether this has to do with their spiritual, family, or ministry life.

Questions for the mentor:

- What next steps will you take regarding this situation?
- What do you want to accomplish between now and the next time we meet?
- What do you see as the next thing you need to do regarding this situation?
- How do you hope to resolve the conflict between [name] and [name]?
- How do you hope to get beyond this obstacle?
- What three things do you feel you need to do to advance the church plant between now and the next time we meet?
- What will you do next week with [name] in order to open up the lines of communication?
- Where (or to whom) will you turn for help with the particular problem you have just mentioned?

Additional questions related to action points:						

THE USE OF EXPERTS

1.	Mentors need to recognize their Few mentors have sufficient training to do more than just minimal counseling and so they need to recognize their limitations particularly in the area of counseling. Mentors must know when to refer a mentee to a professional counselor. Failure to do so could harm the mentee as well as rendering the mentor liable to a lawsuit, in certain contexts.
2.	feel uncomfortable or inadequate. This allows mentees to expand their network of support. One of the people a mentor suggests might even become the mentee's next mentor
	when the current mentoring relationship has finished.
TH	IE MENTOR'S LOG
disc	a mentor's log, the mentors record when they met with their mentees, what was cussed, and what action steps were agreed on. Mentors should not write in the log ing the mentoring meeting, but rather as soon after the meeting as possible.
pre me	or to the next mentoring session, mentors should review what happened in the vious session. They should also refer to the questions on the second page of the ntor's log, which can serve as suggestions for what to ask their mentees during the coming session. The mentor's log is included in the next section.
CL	OSING
	ite down something you will do as a result of this session that you had not thought previously.
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MENTOR'S LOG

ACTION STEPS: (Fill this part out with your mentee.)

Mentee's Name							
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SPIRITUAL QUESTIONS

- What is God saying to you at this time? How do you know this?
- What has God taught you since our last session?
- How would you evaluate your walk with God at this moment: close, mediocre, or distant?
- Do you have a daily quiet time with God? Describe it.
- How are you incorporating the disciplines of prayer and fasting into your life as you plant this church?
- Are you taking time alone to listen for God's voice? Describe it.
- If you want to share, tell me of some area where you are struggling spiritually.

FAMILY QUESTIONS

- How much time are you giving to your family? What percentage of time is dedicated to your family?
- Do you and your spouse have a special time when you go off by yourselves to reconnect after a busy week? Please share with me what you do.
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- Do you see any people in your small group who are potential leaders? Tell me about them.
- How comfortable do you feel with the rhythm at which the church is being planted?
- Is there any area in ministry in which you are discovering yourself to be uncomfortable or in need of help?
- Whom have you asked to be prayer supporters for you as you plant this church? How often do you communicate prayer requests and answers to them?

ACTION POINTS

- How do you hope to get beyond this obstacle?
- Where (or to whom) will you turn for help with the particular problem you mentioned?
- What do you want to accomplish between now and the next time we meet?
- What do you see as the next thing you need to do regarding this situation?

SCENARIOS FOR A MENTORING SESSION

THE PURPOSE

The goal of this exercise is to give the participants the opportunity to practice a mentoring session. We present three distinct scenarios. Ten minutes should be given to each. Every scenario needs a mentor and mentee. After describing the scenario to the mentor and mentee in private, give them a few minutes to prepare before having them act it out in front of the others. After the "session," ask the rest of the participants how they would evaluate the effectiveness of the mentor. What did he do well? How could he do better?

SUGGESTIONS

Pay special attention to the percentage of time the mentor talks. It should be minimum. Furthermore, his interaction should be more asking instead of giving his own ideas or comments. The mentor should:

- 1. Ask questions to clarify the situation.
- 2. Repeat what he hears from his mentee to be sure he understands the situation.
- 3. Ask questions that will help the mentee look for options or answers to the problem.
- 4. Show empathy for the mentee or show interest in what he is saying.

Note: It should always be men mentoring men and women mentoring women.

SCENARIO 1

The mentee comes to his mentor very worried and agitated. Two members of a small group the week before had a very loud verbal disagreement. The mentee is afraid that if the argument continues, it could destroy the small group and all

the work of making contacts, creating the group, and beginning to share the gospel with them. He is afraid the negativity is affecting not just the two who are in disagreement but also the whole group.

SCENARIO 2

When the mentor asks about the church planter's family, the mentee confesses that his wife does not agree with him that they

should continue planting the church. The mentor wants to help the church planter find out why and how to change the wife's mind if possible.

SCENARIO 3

The mentor asks about the mentee's spiritual life. The mentee shares that he has been very busy with the church and his

devotional life has suffered. As a result, he does not feel very close to God.

ABC CHURCH PLANTING REPORT

MONTHLY REPORT

GEN	IERAL	INFO
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MONTH OF REPORT		MENTORING MEETING ATTEN	NDED	YES	NO		
PLANTER'S NAME			-				
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ZONE COORDINATOR							
INDIVIDUALS							
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NEW CONVERSIONS FOLLOWERS OF JESUS							
NEW PERSONS BAPTIZED PEOPLE PARTICIPATING IN THE SACRAMENT OF	- BAPTISM						
NEW LEADERS IN TRAINING PEOPLE THAT THE PLANTER IS TRAINING FOR							
SMALL GROUPS Minimum	n 2 new disciples an	d one leader					
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