

Course Overview

Available Formats:

-  Video
-  Book (to buy)
-  Audio/Narration
-  Text/Transcript

Module 1: The Nature of the Church

Premise: The local church is the primary corporate expression of Christ's kingdom on earth.

Objective: *What are the defining characteristics of the New Testament church?*

"The Nature of the Church," by Dale Heisey	  	1 hr, 6 min	Core: 2 hr, 30 min
Bangladesh Case Study: Introduction	  	8 min	
Tutorial 1 of Church Planting Case Studies, by AccessTruth	  	22 min	
Chapter 1 of <i>These Are My People</i> , by Harold S. Bender	 	54 min	Comprehensive: 6 hr, 21 min
Chapters 2-5 of <i>These Are My People</i> , by Harold S. Bender	 	3 hr, 33 min	
"The Church: The Apple of God's Eye," by Val Yoder	  	1 hr, 8 min	
"The Witness of Suffering," by Ken Miller	  	47 min	TOTAL: 8 hr, 51 min
"I Will Build My Church," by Paul Shirk	  	53 min	

Module 2: Church Planting Models

Premise: We must learn from apostolic patterns in Scripture and experiences of others since then.

Objective: *What are the timeless principles applicable in any church-planting context?*

"Church Planting Models," by Elisha Byler	  	1 hr, 3 min	Core: 2 hr, 19 min
Bangladesh Case Study: Church Planting Models	  	16 min	
Tutorial 2 of "Church Planting Case Studies," by AccessTruth	  	1 hour	
Prologue and Chapters 1-3, 5, 6 of <i>Global Church Planting</i> , by Ott and Wilson		4 hr, 45 min (est.)	Comprehensive: 7 hr, 49 min
"The Moravian Mission Machine," by Dean Taylor	 	1 hour	
"The Anabaptist Approach to Mission," by Hans Kasdorf	 	54 min	
"A Century of Mennonite Missions," by Shawn Schmidt	 	1 hr, 10 min	TOTAL: 10 hr, 8 min

Module 3: Encountering Worldview

Premise: Comprehensive understanding of worldview is essential for cross-cultural church planting.

Objective: *What is their worldview, and how can we grasp it in order to be effective?*

"Encountering Worldview," by Phil Henderson	  	56 min	Core: 2 hr, 3 min
"Culture and Language," by David Sensenig	  	25 min	
Chapters 1 and 2 of <i>The 3D Gospel</i> , by Jayson Georges		42 min (est.)	
Chapters 3-5 of <i>The 3D Gospel</i> , by Jayson Georges		1 hr, 10 min (est.)	Comprehensive: 5 hr, 29 min
"Understanding the Animistic Worldview," by Mark Zook	  	2 hr, 55 min	
"The Flaw of the Excluded Middle," by Paul Hiebert	 	31 min	
"Encountering Animism," by Leonard Hege	 	53 min	TOTAL: 7 hr, 32 min

Module 4: Community Development

Premise: God has given every community resources for sustainable community and church life.

Objective: *How can these be developed in a sustainable way to advance God's kingdom?*

"Why Community Development Matters," by Merle Burkholder	  	1 hr, 5 min	Core: 2 hr, 20 min
Bangladesh Case Study: Community Development	  	14 min	
"My View of the Haitian Farmer," by Clint Bower	  	25 min	
"Teaching-based Savings Groups," by Clyde Zimmerman	  	36 min	

"Why Literacy Matters," by Aaron Crider and Jerry & Joyce McDaniels	  	29 min	Comprehensive: 6 hr, 5 min TOTAL: 8 hr, 25 min
Chapter 19 of <i>Global Church Planting</i>		1 hr (est.)	
Chapters 6-26 of <i>The Other Side of the Wall</i> , by Gary Miller (Audio from CAM Books)	 	4 hr, 36 min	

Module 5: Discovering the Indigenous Church

Premise: A biblical and reproducible church is possible in every people group.

Objective: *What is the path to the biblical indigenous church?*

"The Autochthonous Principle," by Dale Heisey	  	1 hr, 4 min	Core: 2 hr, 43 min
Bangladesh Case Study: Discovering the Indigenous Church	  	11 min	
Chapters 1-7 of <i>Searching for the Indigenous Church</i> , by Gene Daniels	 	1 hr, 28 min	
Chapters 8-14 of <i>Searching for the Indigenous Church</i>	 	1 hr, 18 min	Comprehensive: 8 hr, 35 min TOTAL: 11 hr, 18 min
Tutorials 14-17 of "Church Planting Case Studies," by AccessTruth	  	1 hr, 51 min	
Chapters 7-13 of <i>Missionary Methods, St. Paul's or Ours</i> , by Roland Allen	 	4 hr, 28 min	
"Critical Contextualization," by Paul Hiebert	 	58 min	

Module 6: Evangelism and Teaching the Bible

Premise: Both the biblical story and everyday life provide essential context for the gospel.

Objective: *How can the gospel be effectively and holistically presented?*

"Evangelism and Teaching the Bible," by Joe Root	  	55 min	Core: 2 hr, 2 min
Bangladesh Case Study: Evangelism and Teaching the Bible	  	15 min	
"The Gospel and Their Worldview Grid," by Steve Sanford	  	52 min	
Chapters 3-5a, 6, 7 of <i>The Messenger, the Message, the Community</i> , by R. Muller	 	2 hr, 21 min	Comprehensive: 6 hr, 41 min TOTAL: 8 hr, 43 min
"Chronological Bible Teaching," by Mark Zook	  	4 hr, 20 min	

Module 7: Discipleship and the Local Church

Premise: We co-labor with Christ in discipling new believers.

Objective: *How can we help without harming as the church grows in faithfully expressing Christ?*

"Growing Mature Churches," by Allen Roth	  	50 min	Core: 1 hr, 45 min
Bangladesh Case Study: Discipleship and the Local Church	  	10 min	
"Local Church Discipleship," by Phil Yoder	  	45 min	
Chapters 24-26 of <i>The Messenger, the Message, the Community</i> , by Roland Muller	 	1 hr, 53 min	Comprehensive: 8 hr, 10 min TOTAL: 9 hr, 55 min
Tutorials 18-22 of "Church Planting Case Studies," by AccessTruth	  	1 hr, 57 min	
Chapters 11-14 of <i>Global Church Planting</i> , by Craig Ott and Gene Wilson		4 hr, 20 min (est.)	

Module 8: Team Character and Spirituality

Premise: Fruitful team members are connected with the True Vine and in harmony with each other.

Objective: *What must the team be in order to effectively serve?*

"Team Unity in Christ," by Earl Peachey	  	50 min	Core: 2 hr, 25 min
Chapters 1-4 of <i>Spiritual Survival Handbook</i> , by Robert S. Miller	 	1 hr, 35 min	
Chapters 5-7 of <i>Spiritual Survival Handbook</i> , by Robert S. Miller	 	1 hr, 8 min	Comprehensive: 5 hr, 3 min TOTAL: 7 hr, 28 min
"Maintaining Personal Spiritual Vitality," "Basic Principles of Teamwork," "Peacemaking," by John Coblentz	  	2 hr, 51 min	
"Advancing God's Kingdom through Prayer," by Harold Troyer	  	37 min	
"Abiding in Christ," by Paul Shirk	  	27 min	