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CHURCH PLANTING INSIGHTS:
"Where do I get started?" part 1

TOP TEN CHURCH PLANTING WEBSITES

"I believe I am called to plant a church. I am eager to get started. Where do I begin?"

That is the essence of I regularly receive as the Director of Church Planting at Liberty University. I usually refer to four resources that help the would-be church planter get started. I send them a list of the most helpful websites to search, books to read, and conferences to attend. Then I also tell them about the new MA in Evangelism and Church Planting from Liberty Theological Seminary.

In future articles, I'll discuss the books, conferences and degrees. In this article I want to give a quick survey of what I think are the top ten most helpful websites on church planting.

My two favorite Websites

www.churchplantingvillage.net/
This is the site presented by the North American Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. It is absolutely loaded with information. There is information on everything you can imagine including multi-site church planting, bi-vocational church planting, indigenous church planting, church planter wives, If you go the Discover Church Planting section, you can take several free online assessments to determine whether or not you are suited to be a church planter.

www.newchurches.com/
New Churches is Ed Stetzer's updated site. Ed has is an author, pastor, and church planter who currently serves as the Missiologist and Director of the Center for Missional Research at the North American Mission Board in Alpharetta, GA.
This site is laid out very nicely. It has lots of great tools, resources, information on events, blogs, podcasts, links, and info on vendors.

Eight move worth checking out

www.nextinitiative.net/
NEXT is a network of purpose-driven churches dedicated to launching 1000 churches in the next five years. NEXT is directed by Ron Sylvia who has been teaching the Purpose Driven Church planting seminar for many years. Ron Sylvia is the founding and lead pastor of Church at the Springs in Ocala, Florida and has a passion for training and coaching church planters. This website has some good downloads and materials. It also is the door to getting involved in Ron's monthly church planter coaching network.

www.acts29network.org/
this is the website of the Acts29 Network. Acts29 is on the forefront of the Resurgence Movement attempting to combine reformed theology and a contextualization of the gospel. Acts29 came out of Mark Driscoll's Mars Hill church in Seattle, Washington.
This site is very well done with plenty of media downloads, information on upcoming church planter training bootcamps hosted by Acts29, and other resources.

http://www.stadia.cc/home.asp
STADIA is the church planting partner with the Christian Churches denomination. In recent years the Christian Church has aggressively planted many large churches. Through this site you can sign up for a free newsletter.

http://www.dcpi.org/default.aspx

DCPI stands for Dynamic Church Planting International. This organization has a big vision: Equipping leaders, churches and associations to impact the planting of one million dynamic churches worldwide. Their site mostly has info about them and their conferences. Much of the training they do now involves training the trainer and is done oversees. I like DCPI because they are one of the few groups that teach intentional mother-daughter church planting.