

Send Network Sending Churches

What is a Sending Church?

Sending Churches take responsibility for planting a multiplying church by coaching, commissioning and caring for a particular planter. They are the primary partner of a church planting team.

What does NAMB expect of a Sending Church?

Coach your Planter(s)

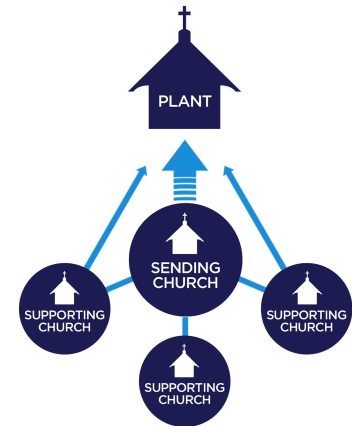
- Coach potential planters to clarify their ministry call.
- Ensure your potential planter is properly assessed and prepared.
- Determine an appropriate budget with your planter.
- Help your planter build planting and support teams.

Commission your Planter(s)

- Affirm the call of the planter and planting team by leading your church to formally commission them.
- Enlist a church member or staff person to provide leadership to the partnership.
- Provide accountability for the planter and the new church theologically, administratively and financially until it is able to do so on its own.

Care for your Planter(s)

- Commit to the health and long-term success of the plant and planting team.
- Plan, provide and ensure ongoing prayer, support, care and coaching/mentoring.
- Provide accountability for giving, including support of the Cooperative Program and NAMB's Code of Conduct expectations.



How can Send Network help Sending Churches?

- Networking assistance for partner churches.
- Resources and events to help develop awareness and equipping within the Sending Church.
- Send City Missionaries providing strategic coordination and coaching in 32 focus cities.
- Strategic research assistance (i.e., community demographic reports).
- Coaching and mentoring assistance for planters and Sending Churches (i.e., Church Planter and Spouse Care Ministry, Church Planting Catalysts).
- Resources and events to provide mobilization, ongoing training and multiplication development for planters and Sending Churches.
- Potential financial resources for church plant (i.e., grants for startup funds).

How do Sending Churches relate to the SBC/CNBC?

- Sending Churches must support the "Baptist Faith and Message 2000" and commit to lead the new church plant to be in agreement with its content.
- Sending Churches must be in friendly cooperation and able to seat messengers with the Southern Baptist Convention or the Canadian National Baptist Convention.