

CHURCH PLANTING SUPPORT SYSTEM

Seventh-day Adventist Church
TRANS-EUROPEAN DIVISION

#### **WHAT**

ACTS is a support system for church planters committed to multiplying Seventh-day Adventist Churches. It is not a program or a model, but a journey delivered through cohorts across the globe based upon the four pillars of church planting support:



### **ASSESS**

- Character and Spirituality
- Equipping Paradigm
- Personal Commitment
- Context of Plant

## COACH

- Spiritual Qualities
- Coaching Skills
- Receive & Give Coaching

# TRAIN

- Church Planter
- Core Group
- Disciple-making Ministries

## SEND

- Sponsor Church(es)
- Support of Conference, Union, TED
- Global Mission Funding (GC)

#### HOW

Hosted in a local conference, union, or region, each residency is delivered through four sequential modules—with personal coaching—for a group of high-commitment planters.



FOCUS

Planter,
Healthy DNA
+ post-module
tasks

2 module

**FOCUS** 

Planter, Core Group + post-module tasks module 3

**FOCUS** 

Planter,
Core Group,
Community
+ post-module
tasks

4 module

**FOCUS** 

Planter,
Core Group,
Community,
Launch
+ post-module
tasks

### The Residency Experience

- Through cohorts of four 2 ½ day modules over 18 months
- Up to 15 church plants per cohort
- Exposure to best practices in a peer-learning environment
- · Pre-assessment selection process for planters before module 1
- Personal coaching for lead planters between modules
- · Additional core group members can participate in modules

### Leadership Pipeline

Movement potential is not the number of churches planted, but the number of multipliers being developed

Anyone committed to planting a multiplying church

**PLANTER** 

Active planter that also coaches another planter & helps train at modules

→ FACILITATOR

Facilitator or denominational leader who coordinates a cohort

LEADER

A leader that leads a cohort & mentors others to start new cohorts

CATALYST

#### WHY

# Key SHIFTS for movement:

From copying someone else's model

to discerning the Spirit's leading

From going wide with many



to going deep with a few who invest in many

From certification



to implementation as the source of influence

From the number of churches planted



to the number of multipliers developed

"I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God has been making it grow. So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who makes things grow."

1 Corinthians 3:6-7

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