

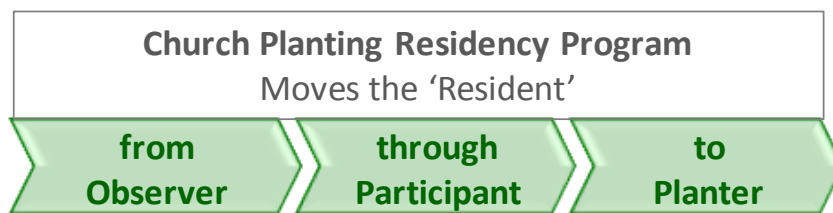
CHURCH PLANTING RESIDENCY PROGRAM

Overview

This is a 2-year, full time, church-based program.

The residency program aims to:

- ❖ equip the resident for a specific church-planting endeavour,
- ❖ assist him in the pre-launch phase of the work



Structure

Church planting residency programs are typically structured as follows:

Year 1: Observe, learn from, and participate in an established church plant.

- ❖ Observe the day-to-day life of an established plant and understand the thinking behind implemented decisions.
- ❖ As a member, serve in every area of the established plant.
- ❖ Receive ongoing church planting coaching from his mentors

Year 2: Prepare for the launch of the new church plant

- ❖ Research the demographic profile, geography and culture of the targeted people group.
- ❖ Formulate the new plant's mission, vision, philosophy of ministry and theological distinctives.
- ❖ Gather a core group, foster community and instil the new plant's DNA.
- ❖ Raise support (prayer, resources and finances).
- ❖ Network with other churches and ministries in the city.
- ❖ Determine affiliation and governance model.
- ❖ Be sent out by a sending church.

Resident responsibilities: (Year 1)

Observe and understand your resident church

- ❖ Participate in your resident church staff- and sermon-prep meetings (
- ❖ Engage with your resident church theological and organizational documentation.
- ❖ Join a missional community in your resident church.
- ❖ Participate at all Sunday gatherings, ministry and other events.
- ❖ Interview the elders, staff team and some of the church members.



Serve at your resident church

- ❖ Missional Community co-lead a missional community from the 2nd term
- ❖ Sunday gatherings: occasional preaching, teaching, leading, setup, stewarding, etc.
- ❖ Ministry teams and events: occasional gospel talks, leading prayer meetings,
- ❖ Co-organize scheduled congregations events
- ❖ Accountability: Meet regularly with members of your resident church

Church Plant specific coaching

- ❖ Participate in the TRANS:mission Apprentice workshops (Thursdays)
- ❖ Enrol in the TRANS:mission/BILD program (4 year, part time, BTh/MTh) – student specific
- ❖ Meet monthly with mentors for coaching
- ❖ Engage with all the prescribed church planting literature
- ❖ Meet mentors quarterly for a church planting residency program review