



Pathways Toward 68 Churches

**With fire to keep us warm
and tools we made from rocks and bones
A roof over your head
and walls to keep you safe in bed
There must be more than this
So God was born
and we in his image of fear and love
looked down upon from up above**

**We gotta do much more than believe
if we really wanna change things
We gotta do much more than believe
if we wanna see the world change**

**We crossed the oceans wide
built cities to the sky oh Lord
Looked up and we were flying
but will we not survive ourselves**

**We gotta do much more than believe
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go on try it, go on try it
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**What will I say to my baby
Let me show you a movie
we landed a man on the moon
Now you could never believe it
ya we could do anything
We flew to the stars and back
down to the ground hard**

**Please wake up
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Growing in our Giving

1. Recently had some of the NextGen benefactors give a significant gift, for the work, at the apostles feet
2. Its time that we all reevaluate our hearts and minds, reviewing and then intentionally desiring to give regularly.
3. To the shepherds of the churches - When do you challenge our people around their giving? Do they hear about its purposes, other than in times of need?
4. Giving is an privilege to participate in God's Kingdom work

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Discussing - Planting and Networking 68 Churches

1. How can this goal be accomplished? What will need to be done, at a network, cluster, church, family, individual levels?
2. What is our role, what is the Spirit's role? How do churches spontaneously expand? What does spontaneous really mean?
3. What was key to spontaneous expansion and establishment of the early church? What does establishment really mean?
4. What is a Kerygmatic Community? Does your church family look like a Kerygmatic Community? Why or Why not?

Reviewing - What were the keys to spontaneous expansion in the early church?

Our churches are called: **Kerygmatic Communities** & Our vision and purpose statement:

- We believe there is a connection, a “link” between the spontaneous expansion of the early church and the simple gathering together of communities of believers on the first day of every week in homes and tenements around an evening meal, celebrating their new life in Christ.

Is your church family modeling this?

The only thing relevant in a post modern culture is pre-modern...

We must go back to the 1st century to frame-in answers for our modern day, the 21st century

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⁴¹ So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added. ⁴² They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

⁴³ Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. ⁴⁴ All who believed were together and had all things in common; ⁴⁵ they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds^j to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶ Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous^l hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

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Four Keys:

1. They were dedicated to apostles teachings - Kerygma and Didache
2. All things in common - a one mindedness together, daily and weekly
3. Breaking of bread - sharing of meals house to house
4. Prayer - a dedication to asking regularly for this work

These early communities were daily/weekly together sharing all things, eating together and from house to house.

The key was their “with glad and generous hearts”

- Glad - joyful, rejoicing, very happy, grateful, celebration
- Generous - giving greatly, sincere, simple

This all added up to: People who opened their homes. People who freely shared their time and possessions (even money). People whose faith, gave them hope in their outlook, in their spirit and in their life priorities!

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Luke shows us in Acts how the church expanded and was established, 6 progress markers in Acts, explaining the expansion and establishment. A summary of these key markers:

- The word of the Lord continued to multiple - meaning the Kerygma story of Jesus continued to increase adherents
- As the word of the Lord, or words of Jesus took root, people were “added” to their churches

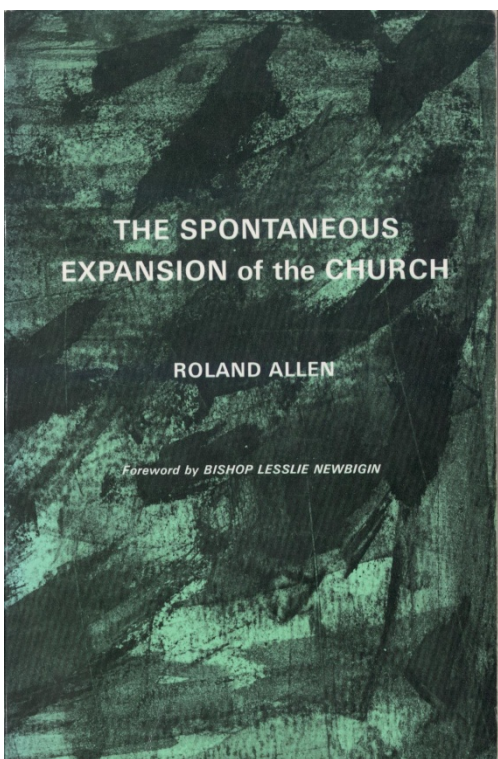
People were added through:

- teaching of leaders and their team
- leaders went to key cities proclaiming the kerygma
- formed believers into communities, churches
- setup leadership around the churches
- the churches continued to spontaneously expand
- it was a balance of sodality and modality leadership

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“I mean the expansion that follows the unexhorted and unorganized activity of individual members of the Church explaining to others the Gospel which they have found for themselves; I mean the expansion which follows the irresistible attraction of the Christian Church for men who see its ordered life, and are drawn to it by desire to discover the secret of a life which they instinctively desire to share; I mean also the expansion of the Church by the addition of new churches.

Allen, Rolland. The Spontaneous Expansion of the church. Pg. 7



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Our single focus is to: **A Global Recovery of the Antioch Tradition for the 21st Century.**

When you read this quote, it should remind you of the BILD apostolic team work.

Thus Paul represents a type of missionary who can be described as the goal-oriented community organizer, breaking new ground and establishing independent groups apart from Judaism rather than “grazing” among existing groups of sympathizers. It is his intention to missionize the entire world in this fashion, all the way to Spain, and every other consideration is subordinated to this monumental task.

Theissen, Gerd. The Social Aspect of Pauline Christianity.

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Antioch Manifesto, Concept 14 - Spontaneous Expansion

The churches expanded throughout the Roman empire in a spontaneous fashion, not according to a carefully detailed plan of man, but rather within the strategic intent of apostolic leaders who responded to open doors, under the circumstantial and sometimes interventional direction of the Holy Spirit.

Expansion needs to be unique to every culture and historical situation, yet governed by the expansion principles in Acts.

Often, we setup our Western organizational control systems - denominations, schools, mission reliefs - we should be following the patterns in Acts and establishing the churches in the teachings, setting up leadership and letting them develop on their own and growing their network.

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Preserving and Accelerating the Spontaneous Expansion of the Church

1. Identify where the Spirit is genuinely expanding His church and participate as needed.
2. Apostolic leaders, develop a flexible strategic intent as stewarded by our calling.
3. Leaders ensure that the churches are always thinking about expansion:
 - ground the churches in the Kerygma and Didache
 - appoint local leadership
 - Instruct them to live and take the gospel to their friends, neighbors, family, work

What are the keys to spontaneous expansion for our churches today?

...now the 21st century...and to our field of work and churches...

What are the keys to spontaneous expansion for our churches today?

1. Strategic Intent of apostolic leaders
2. Networking to build one mindedness in our cities, establishing the churches.
3. Planting new churches in our own network
4. Our churches being Kerygmatic communities
5. Establishment of our current churches - all people no matter their station in life

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Building one mindedness in the Churches in our Cities

...an initiative to network and build one mindedness in our central Iowa cities

This will be done through establishing the churches in the Kerygma and Didache

James and the apostolic team will lead this effort, the entire existing network will participate in events. We have a 9-step process over 3 years to follow.

20-40 churches by 2021 - neighborhood, ethnic, under-resourced



Do churches in Central Iowa think together about building His Kingdom? What could possible build one mindedness across a city of churches?

I left you behind in Crete for this reason, so that you should put in order what remained to be done, and should appoint elders in every town, as I directed you...He must have a firm grasp of the word that is trustworthy in accordance with the teaching, so that he may be able both to preach with sound doctrine and to refute those who contradict it.

Titus 1:5,9 - NRSV



I'm not praying simply for them. I'm praying too for the people who will come to believe in me because of their word. I am praying that they may all be one-just as you Father are in me and I in you, that they too may be in us, so that they world may believe that you sent me. I have given them the glory which you have given to me, so that they may be one, just as we are one. I in them and you in me; yes, they must be completely one, so that the world may know that you sent me, and the you love them just as you loved me.

John 17:20-23 - NT Wright

Planting Churches in our own CityChurch network

Tools for expansion of our own CityChurches:

1. **Parenting with a Plan** tool - gathering parents around the idea of parenting their children
2. **Going to Church in the First Century** - helping people understand the model of church the New Testament is portraying, a family!
3. **Becoming a Disciple** - gathering people around First Principles to regularly discuss the fundamentals of the faith
4. **Life to the Nth** - gathering co-workers, friends around planning our lives for purpose
5. **The Story** - gathering people around the Meta-Narrative, God's one story from the beginning
6. **SIMA MAP** events - gathering people to discover more about their unique gifts
7. Others?

What are the keys to spontaneous expansion for our churches today?

Assessing our churches and church clusters for expansion. Critical giftings and functions:

- **Apostolic vision** - keeps the overall purpose and vision alive, fans the flame publicly and individually
- **Gatherers** - relational networker, people like to be around them, takes relational initiative
- **Hospitality givers** - home is open, not overly concerned with wear and tear on their stuff, conversations about faith blend seamlessly into any conversation, moves across social boundaries easily
- **Developers** - aware of people and their worldview, understands the process of moving a person to maturity in the faith, gives a great deal of time to those who are teachable. Sees potential in people.
- Michael to meet with church cluster leadership through the coming year to assess in all our clusters and churches.

Our Churches being Kerygmatic

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Our churches are called to be Kerygmatic Communities

- celebratory yet serious
- generous and hospitable
- full of food and regular conversation
- inspiring yet not domineering
- sincere and full of life
- simple yet gratefully aware
- open to all yet familial
- hopeful and realistic

Evaluate your own path of development, do you have a habit of renewing your mind?

Assessing our Development			
	Name of People	When they meet? Day and Time	Is Group open to others?
Currently Involved in First Principles - Series 1			
Currently Involved in First Principles - Series 2			
Currently Involved in First Principles - Series 3			
Currently Involved in The Story			
Currently Involved in SIMA-MAP			
Currently Involved in Life to the Nth			
Currently Involved in Seek the Welfare of the City			
*Currently Involved in Leadership Mastery II			
*Currently Involved in Leadership Mastery III			
*Certificate of Ministry			
**Bachelors of Ministry/Theology Degree Program			
**Masters of Ministry/Theology Degree Program			
**Doctorate of Ministry Degree Program			

Assessing the Maturity of our Churches

	Leaders Assessment	Comments
All members currently engaged in understanding the teachings - First Principles - Acts 2:42-46	Doing Well	
Are you currently developing potetial leaders in your church - Acts 20:17-38	Slight Problem	
Are the people striving to be of one mind for the progress of the gospel - Phillippians	Slight Problem	
Are the people grasping their significance in the plan of God - Ephesians, Colossians	Major Problem	
Regular Local Invovlement		
Are members regularly attending Sunday evening gathering, not giving up on meeting together - Heb 10:25	Doing Well	
Do members prepare to participate by bringing a song, teaching, or share from their week - Eph 5:19-20	Major Problem	
*Are member regularly giving finaicially to the church?	Slight Problem	
Involvement in the Network - Philippians		
Do they attend and participate in the network love feast?	Doing Well	
Do they participate in the annual BILD Summit? By hosting, driving, serving, etc.	Doing Well	
Do they financially give to the annual BILD Summit and apostolic work?	Slight Problem	

*Resources to help you shepherd giving principles are: Session 4 of Envisioning Fruitful LifeWork - Pauline Epistles Course pg 53-54

Our Churches being Kerygmatic

To reach this strategic work, the following must occur:

- everyone take seriously their regular establishment in the faith, including your heart of giving
- everyone have weekly habits of renewing your mind
- not just attending, everyone participating in our churches
- everyone follow the work of the Spirit, becoming more aware of opportunities
- everyone be aware of opportunities to gather people into new communities
- apostolic leaders must create and fully understand the strategic intent
- all leaders must understand the strategic intent
- everyone living quiet, yet productive lives
- shepherd leaders, consistently be aware of our brokenness and provide help and hope

...even the world recognizes that we must do more than just believe...