

Potential Church Planter Checklist
“Ideas for developing a potential planter before he is on staff as a pastor”
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Name: _____

- Serving on teams with reliability and skill.
- Committed in a Small Group and helpful to his group leader.
- Respond well to you and other pastors when asked to get lunch/coffee, talk, etc.
- Evidence of Holy Spirit’s power on him when receiving prayer (at least from time to time).
- Engages in worship regularly (doesn’t seem bored, disconnected, or unexpressive).
- Finished the Series and has committed to membership.
- Well respected by other people inside and outside the church.
- Gives tithes faithfully and participates in offerings with generosity.
- Honest and transparent when asked about his struggles and sin, current and past.
- Invites people to the church consistently and has helped someone who was being saved.
- Responds well when you tell him “no” or ask him to change/improve some behavior or lifestyle.
- Budgets personal finances well.
- You have personally asked him the “Questions of Character and Integrity” just for fun!
- Leads a Small Group well (people want to be around him...the group grows).
- Raised up another leader and has multiplied a group at least once.
- Self-control is evident in his life and he is able to live with ongoing sexual purity.
- Dating relationship or marriage is healthy.
- Wife is as devoted as he is and can handle pressure with faith (may be shy or outgoing).
- Planned/led in some specific event as intern or volunteer (party, youth, kids, student outreach, etc.).
- Manages budget for an event or project well (give him a budget for some event and teach him how).
- Reliable and consistent with responsibilities that are entrusted to him.
- You, personally, really trust him.
- Taught the Bible effectively in some context (Series, DC, Prayer Training, etc.).