



Creating A Great Commission Local Church

Bridging
the Gap from
God to Man

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What is the Great Commission

Matthew 28:19-20 - 19 **Go ye** therefore, and **teach** all nations, **baptizing** them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: 20 **Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you:** and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

Mark 16:15 - And he said unto them, **Go ye** into all the world, and **preach the gospel** to every creature.

Acts 1:8 - But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

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What is the Biblical
structure of the Church.
Do we follow it?

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Ephesians 4

8 Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men.

9 (Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth?

10 He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.)

11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;

12 For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:

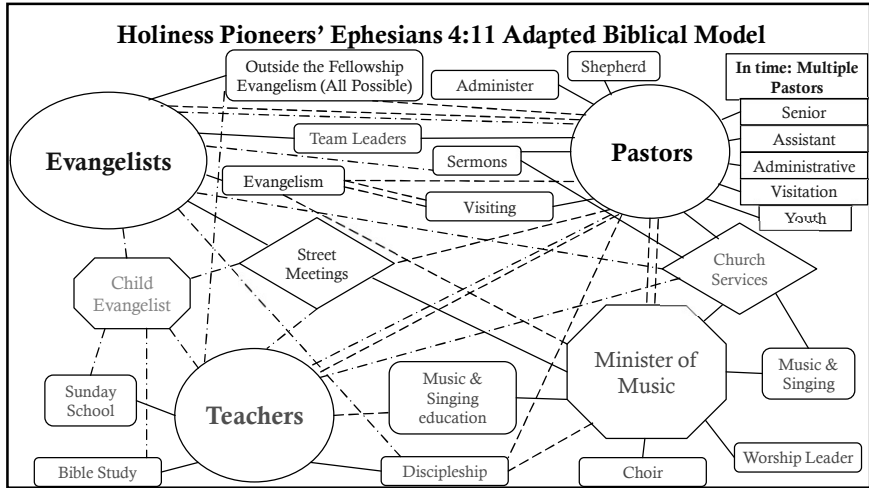
13 Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:

14 That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive;

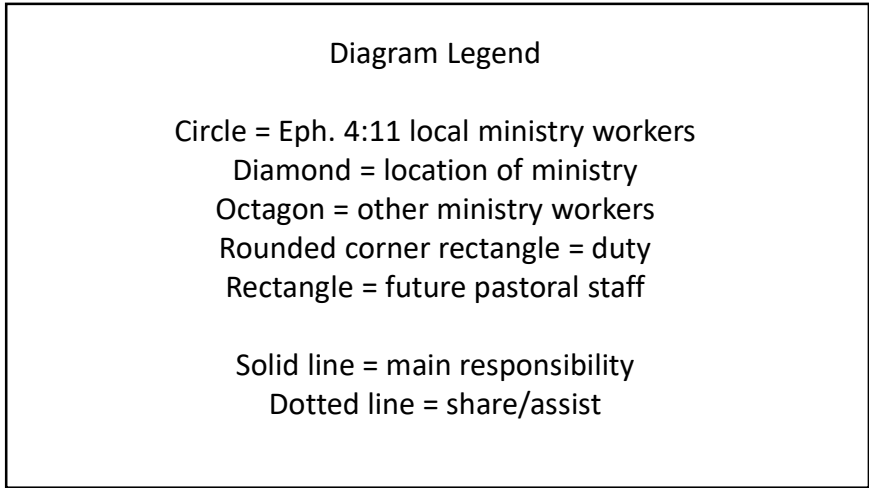
15 But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ:

16 From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.

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Evangelists (Ministers of Outreach)

- ◆ Administration of: all evangelism efforts done outside the local church, team members during evangelism events, all materials for evangelism, etc.
- ◆ Do street and campus evangelism
- ◆ Plan and lead teams in evangelism events, street ministry, campus ministry, street meetings, cold calling door to door and calling on new unsaved contacts from the street
- ◆ Assist entire team where needed in the local church
- ◆ Preach evangelistic messages in the local church as God leads
- ◆ Fill in for pastor when away
- ◆ Open-Air Preaching
- ◆ See that newly saved people are connected to a teacher for discipleship

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Pastors (Shepherds)

- ◆ Declare the whole counsel of God: share well-structured messages from God's Word to edify the body of believers in attendance with the local church
- ◆ Shepherd the flock
- ◆ Follow up with the absent
- ◆ Visit the active members of congregation (those in regular attendance), sick, elderly, fatherless, widows, etc.
- ◆ Work closely with the Minister of Outreach and participate in street meetings and outdoor evangelism
- ◆ Work closely with the teacher overseeing their discipling of new Christians
- ◆ Assist entire team where needed.
- ◆ Administration of: Members, Attendees, and all internal activity of the local church and workers.

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Teachers (ministerial or education major)

- ◆ Head up education for Sunday school, structure weekly Bible study classes, and discipleship
- ◆ Disciple new Christians
- ◆ Classes for seekers/unsaved
- ◆ Assist the pastor and minister of outreach as needed
- ◆ Administration of: Discipleship teachers, Sunday school teachers, and curriculum structure & materials
- ◆ Explore new Christians' gifts & callings, train them to use their gifts and fulfill their calling
- ◆ Assist entire team where needed

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Minister of Music

- ◆ Organize all music and singing inside and outside the church
- ◆ Play instruments
- ◆ Lead singing
- ◆ Sing specials
- ◆ Organize choirs and signing groups with the local church and for outdoor ministries
- ◆ Work with new Christians to explore their gifts and train them in music and singing
- ◆ Assist entire team where needed

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Children Workers (Child Evangelist)

- ◆ Children's programs
- ◆ Children's Sunday school teacher
- ◆ Children's Discipleship
- ◆ Develop and administrate after-school programs, VBS, and summer programs
- ◆ Assist entire team where needed

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So how do we create a Great Commission Local Church?

Follow God's Plan!

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