Successful Church Plants

These are common factors that successful church plants share, according to the results of a study released by the Center for Missional Research, a division of the North American Mission Board.

Reaching children Special children's events along with outreaches around holidays, and at other times, attract crowds and help churches sustain attendance.

Training new members Successful church plants provide training and clearly communicate that the new members participate and find a place to serve.

Intentional financial stewardship The pastors receive financial compensation as well as health insurance, allowing them time to focus on the church's growth and not their own basic needs.

The staff factor The most successful church plants do not start out under-staffed and their planters are full-time. They have also assessed staff for their suitability and have multiple staff members from the start.

Not just focusing on their own needs Successful church plants start at least one church within three years of their own plant and those who are sent out to start a new church are replaced and even more are added.

Building leadership Church plants with higher attendance conduct leadership training, build their leadership base and delegate leadership roles to church members on an ongoing basis.

The achievement factor Church planters have a vision of what God wants to do and remain focused on accomplishing that.

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