

# CHURCH MULTIPLIED

## 10 Ways to Pray for A Planter from a Planter

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### 1) Pray for the planter's communion with God.

The greatest need for any church planter (or really any Christian) is to abide in Christ. God cares about what he is doing in us long before he bears fruit through us. Pray for the planter to make every moment an abiding one before the work and in the work.

### 2) Pray for the planter's preaching ministry.

The primary task of the planter will be to herald God's Word every single week. Pray for the planter to first be affected and shaped by the Word before he preaches it to others. Pray for the planter to treasure Christ before he helps others see Him on Sunday.

### 3) Pray for the planter's marriage and family.

The church planter's first ministry begins in the home. His ministry must begin with the loving care of his wife and children. Pray for the planter to selflessly serve and pursue the joy of his family in Jesus.

### 4) Pray for the planter's faithfulness to the work.

Church planting is not easy work. There will be long days of what seem to be fruitless conversations with lost people. There will be attempts to reach the city that will seem to come up empty. Pray for the planter to focus on faithfulness to God over fruitfulness.

### 5) Pray for the planter's gospel community.

The church planter is part of the body of Christ. Before he is a pastor or a planter, he is a Christian. He needs a gospel community to encourage him and spur him on just like you. Pray for the Lord to provide brothers and sisters where he can be known and loved.

### 6) Pray for the planter's passion to make disciples.

The one task that the Lord Jesus left for his followers was to make disciples. At the heart of church planting is the desire to share Jesus and raise up faithfully followers of Jesus. Pray for the planter to see the lost, to boldly share the gospel, and to make disciples.

### 7) Pray for the planter to find favor in the city.

The work of church planting is primarily God's work for God's glory. The church planter is simply looking at where God is at work and getting involved. Pray for the planter as he is looking to connect to his city. Pray that the Lord prepares the hearts of others to receive.

### 8) Pray for the planter to see gospel fruit.

While the church planter's primary focus is faithfulness, we want to beg the Lord to bring fruit through the efforts of the planter. We want to see people cross over from death to life.

Pray for the Spirit's help in the planter's preaching and ministry to save sinners.

### 9) Pray for the planter's pursuit of holiness.

One of the greatest targets of the enemy is attacking the planter's pursuit of holiness. It's sad when you see the casualties in the kingdom due to a lack of purity and integrity. Pray that the Lord would give the planter both passion for and joy in holiness.

### 10) Pray for the planter's identity in Christ.

The most important work for every church planter is the finished work of Christ. It's Christ' perfect performance that defines the planter more than his best efforts. Pray for the planter's identity to be found in who he is in Christ more than what he does for Christ.