

Canadian National Church Planting Initiative
Initial Coordinating Task Force Meeting
October 27, 28, 1996 - Regal Constellation Hotel, 900 Dixon Road, Toronto

September 1 mailing

Confirmation letter
Vision statement (revised)
Draft Agenda
Attendees committed at date

Advance Packet (mailed October 1)

BC Initial Survey (sample)
Attendees committed at date

Conference Booklet: (for Oct. 27-28)

Vision statement (revised)
Bob Waymire's 'cone' diagram
"Together We Can!"
"13 Steps to a Successful Growth Program" - Jim Montgomery
Initial Survey & Appendices
DAWN Principles & other nations

Decisions/Goals Assumed or Made in Advance:

The goals and principles of the Saturation Church Planting Movement as expressed in the National AD2000 Initiatives and DAWN movements.

Broad distribution of DAWN Report.

Decisions/Goals to be made during October 27 & 28 meeting:

Date of the First DAWN Congress
Identification of steps to be taken by that date.

Uncertain:

National church planting target goal (- is this set before or at the initial meeting, before or at the national congress?)

Date of national congress (I should probably come with a proposed date.).

Agenda

Sunday evening: **(Overview Goal - Big Picture of Where We Want to Go)**

6:00 pm Set up overhead projector

Table for name tags

6:45 pm Welcome arrivals, hand out name tags only.

7:00 pm Welcome & Opening Prayer

Community Building:

Self Introduction: not only who I am professionally, but family, roots, passion, who we are spiritually.

Group (2's) Introductions: pray for one another, then each introduces the other to the group)

7:30 pm Overview of Schedule: (develop loose agenda - b/c I don't know how long each area will take, but this is what I think best & handout, also Initial Survey Booklet)

(Review of Vision Statement)

7:35 pm Overview of our Purpose, Means and Goals (National AD2000 Initiative)

Highlight key elements of Vision Statement: (& diagram)

Goals:

Definition of Closure: e.g. 1 evangelical church for every 1,000 to 1,500 Canadians. etc.

Strategy:

Components:

8:10 pm Feedback/Buy-in. "Is this something you can work with?" This is important because implementation of this vision statement is what we will be planning tomorrow and working on in the years to come. (around the table)

8:30 pm Review of DAWN Principles & What is happening in other nations

8:45 pm Prayer

Monday: ***(Implementation of Vision Statement)***

Morning: (Research - Big Picture of Where We Are: Harvest Force/Field)

Afternoon: (Planning the Next Step(s))

9:00 am Opening Prayer (?brief sharing/mixer serendipity from NL)

Introduction of Gerry - introduce & overview OC

9:15 am Overview of Canadian Need for a SCP movement.

Lorne shares how we gathered data: also request directories, hand out stats gathering sheets & distribute our spreadsheet - check for accuracy and fill in the blanks & we'll trade you for the 'big picture', do you know of other denominations?

Lorne comments on status of Mid-Decade Reports: BC, Ontario, Quebec, Maritimes & distributes to those desiring copies.

9:30 am Murray reviews initial assessment (field and force) conclusions & recommendations, especially #10 (on page 23).

10:15 am (possibly a brief) review of the Purpose, Process and Goals of a National AD2000 Initiative

Now - just the question. (After the break, we'll seek to respond to the question with feedback and hopefully buy-in.)

- **Question 1:** (endorse the concept) request mandate to endorse and share in the leadership of a DAWN-type Canadian National Initiative in Church Planting and Evangelism which we would establish today.
- **Question 2:** (personal involvement) request a "commitment to lead your organization in establishing appropriate church planting and evangelism goals towards the national goal"

?i.e. Ask each organization represented (using perhaps the process outlined in '13 steps') to endeavor to (have) set church planting goals (i.e. #new churches, #new attenders by xdate) for/by their organization by September 1, 1997 to share at a possible CNCPI gathering October 21-23 (Tues.-Thurs.), 1997 [which will culminate with tabulation, celebration, intercession, and communion.]

10:30 am Break:

10:45 am

Proposal: A National Church Planting Initiative and Initial Conference to Pray, Share the benefit of fresh light on the harvest field, leadership training methods etc., Offer our Respective Organizational Goals/ Bring our Offerings to the Altar,

Now: Perceived obstacles to church planting in Canada./What a SCP movement could do to help overcome some of these obstacles.

& Questions

- small group time: "what problems, concerns, barriers do you anticipate facing as we develop a DAWN-type national initiative in Canada? (rate 1-10 value of each) - flip chart (T.V.)
- What might be responses/solutions to the top 3 to 5 issues?

Noon: (lunch break)

1:00 pm Elements of a successful SCP congress: list some & brainstorm further?

- Components: what needs to be included in the 1997 consultation (Jerry)
 - Themes/plenaries/speakers?
 - Workshops/topics/presenters?
 - Other components?
- Establish date and location of SCP meeting - Stuart Lightbody suggests Oct. 24, 25, 1997 (after their DS meetings of Oct. 20-23)

2:00 pm ?break for World Shaper registration.

2:30 pm (more specific) Planning

- List ideas or choose a name for the movement.
- List other necessary steps in preparation and,
- Infrastructure: Form a smaller administrative/executive/steering committee (5 members)? - & make committee member assignments as appropriate.

3:45 pm (stand up - in room) Break:

In the meantime how can we help one another?

What church planting models are working?

How can mission agencies best be involved in church planting or supporting the movement?

How are denominations facing the challenges of leading church planting movements in Canada? What are the best steps toward solutions you know of? Which ideas/resources/training etc. can be shared?

What support would benefit you personally?

How can we help your District Superintendents and other leaders own the process?

- assessment rates for NCD? (also total assessments per member?): Cost per church? (Jim)

Other: questions, issues, planning

Prayer: