

PROSPECTIVE CHURCH PLANTER PROFILE

The Church at Brook Hills

Thank you for taking time to complete this Prospective Church Planter Profile. Missionaries play an extremely important role in our Church, one that is not to be taken lightly. This tool in our assessment process asks questions related to personal and family matters, lifestyles, church service, and doctrinal convictions. As such, we ask that you prayerfully complete this profile, evaluating each question honestly before the Lord.

Overview

Missionaries sent to plant churches among all nations are called to noble work. Such church planters draw from the apostolic examples that we find in the Scriptures when it comes to the birth of churches through disciple making. The responsibility of church planters includes doing the work of an evangelist, gathering new believers together into small groups, leading those groups into a study of what it means to be a disciple in covenant community with one another, leading those groups to self-identify as local churches, and then laboring to mentor and equip newly appointed elders to oversee such churches (Acts 13-14; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10; Acts 20:17-38; 1-2 Timothy, Titus).

Church planters must be members of The Church at Brook Hills and must give evidence of spiritual maturity, on-going growth in their sanctification, and service to the church for a period of time. While church planters are to be growing in their own fellowship with the Lord, they are also to set an example for these new believers by displaying a life that is worthy of imitation (Matthew 28:18-20; Acts 6:3-4, 20:28-31; 1 Corinthians 4:14-16, 11:1; 1 Thessalonians 1:6; 2 Thessalonians 3:7-9; 1 Timothy 3:2, 5:17; Hebrews 13:7, 17; 1 Peter 5:1-4). It is expected that all church planters (both men and women) manifest Christ-like characteristics such as being Spirit-filled, outstanding in character, having a healthy marriage and family, wise in speech and actions, being intentional in sharing the gospel, loving toward others, empowering of others for Kingdom service, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, showing a servant's heart, able to teach others the way of the Lord, are not bound by any addictions, gentle in personality, not easily angered or quarrelsome, not greedy or a lover of money, humble, faithful to the Lord and His church, not a gossip, modest, kind, joyful, and patient.

Please answer all questions below as completely as possible. Please be straightforward and honest with your answers. This is a confidential document with contents only to be shared with the Church Multiplication Team and elders of The Church at Brook Hills.

Please complete and sign the following profile and return to churchplanting@brookhills.org or cwatson@brookhills.org.

Name: _____

Do you have the desire to be part of a church planting team for at least the next two years? Please mark with an X: YES [] NO []

If you are married, is your spouse supportive of the both of you serving as church planters? Please mark with an X: YES [] NO []

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Address _____ Home Phone _____

E-Mail _____ Cell Phone _____

Date of Birth _____ Age at Salvation _____ Age Baptized _____

Church where baptized _____

Have you served previously as a deacon? YES [] NO []

When _____ Where _____

Have you served previously as an elder? YES [] NO []

When _____ Where _____

Please list your highest level of education attained, including the name of the institution of education, and the years you were enrolled:

OCCUPATIONAL INFORMATION

What is your occupation? _____

Where are you employed? _____

How long have you been there? _____

Briefly describe your work duties:

FAMILY INFORMATION

Marital Status: Single [] Married [] Widowed [] Divorced []

Date of Marriage (if married): _____

Have you or your spouse been previously divorced? Yes [] No []

If yes, please explain the circumstances surrounding this divorce.

Spouse's Name: _____

Children's Names:	Age	Converted	Age of Conversion
_____	_____	YES [] NO []	_____
_____	_____	YES [] NO []	_____
_____	_____	YES [] NO []	_____
_____	_____	YES [] NO []	_____
_____	_____	YES [] NO []	_____

CHURCH EXPERIENCE

Please list any previous church memberships and any specific areas of service:

Church _____ Areas of Service _____

Church _____ Areas of Service _____

Please list any specific past and current areas of service with The Church at Brook Hills (including which worship gathering and/or small group you attend):

Past _____

Current _____

Briefly describe your current walk with the Lord as He is conforming you into the image of Christ. Include a description of your devotional life (time in prayer and in the Word) and an explanation of what He is currently teaching you.

How are you currently making disciples of all nations? Include in your answer how you are currently leading in your small group. If you are not leading a small group, please explain why.

Identify your spiritual gifts and explain how you are using these gifts in the church.

DOCTRINAL QUESTIONS

What is your understanding of the person and work of the following?

God the Father: _____

Jesus Christ: _____

The Holy Spirit: _____

Satan: _____

Explain what you believe the Bible teaches about the following:

Salvation: _____

Mankind: _____

The Scriptures: _____

The Church: _____

The Virgin Birth: _____

The Crucifixion: _____

The Resurrection: _____

Baptism: _____

The Lord's Supper: _____

Substitution: _____

Justification: _____

Sanctification _____

Glorification: _____

Your Mission: _____

LIFESTYLE QUESTIONS

Is there anything in your life that causes you concern related to serving as a missionary? What about your family as a whole?

Is there anything about your lifestyle that would potentially bring reproach on yourself, your family, The Church at Brook Hills, or the name of Christ? What about your family as a whole?

Husbands: List some specific ways you lead and serve your family: _____

Wives: List some specific ways you serve your family: _____

If you are married, how do you describe the overall health of your marriage? _____

If you are married, how do you describe the health of your communication with your spouse? _____

If you are married, how do you describe the financial health of your family? _____

Do you currently have any debt? If so, what kind and how much? What is your plan to eliminate this debt and are you working toward that goal?

If you are married, how do you describe the health of your sexual relationship with your spouse? _____

How are you intentionally protecting your sexual purity? _____

How often do you intentionally use/view pornographic material (e.g., videos, books, web sites, pictures)?

What is your personal belief and regular practice regarding the use of alcoholic beverages?

What is your personal belief and regular practice regarding the use of illegal drugs?

Explain your convictions concerning giving (and specifically tithing) to the church. Describe your current pattern of giving to the church. _____

Do you believe your use of financial resources brings honor to God? (i.e., how you handle wealth, credit card debt, etc.) _____

In the space below, please include any additional comments or concerns you may have about your potential service with a church planting team. (Optional)

If you certify that you have answered all questions honestly before the Lord, and desire to be considered as a church planter with The Church at Brook Hills, please sign below.

Prospective CP's Signature _____ Date _____

Do you as the applicant's spouse believe that this person is scripturally qualified to be part of a church planting team from The Church at Brook Hills, and do you fully support your spouse potentially serving in this role?

YES [] NO []

Spouse's Signature _____ Date _____

Please return this profile to churchplanting@brookhills.org or cwatson@brookhills.org.

For questions, please call 205-313-7731.