

# Partnering With the Team

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We want to change the language and thought to partnering & not relating.

We are free to express the vision, values and vehicles we have in our own unique way.

Dudley - ministered in Auz recently - same stuff - line and length - Vision & Mission preaching.

Ask the people in the church why the church exists?

Ask the leaders why the church exists?

Often these answers are completely different.

Most people answer for me and my family.

Most leaders answer for the sake of Jesus and His Kingdom on earth.

Need to up the maturity level of the priesthood.

2 Cor 10:12

We are stronger together.

If you want to go fast - go alone.

If you want to far - go together.

- don't compete or compare,
- Celebrate what the Lord has given us.
- Partnerships help us to go higher, futher, better, together.
- Being linked to a pioneer does not make you one - Lot & Abraham. Abraham - secure and lets him chose. The Lord says to him - look up and around. Just have the heart of a pioneer. Ps 84:5-12

- Change our website stationary etc. from relation to partnering.

How do we partner?

1. **Recognize** - the gifts on this team & invite them into your local church.
2. **Relationships** - Develop relationships within the team & with the partnering churches. We do this on mission together. Relationship has to go beyond the lead guy. Any elder should be able to call a team member. But the team guy should check that the lead elder knows that the call is happening. Covenantal relationships - committed, submitted, able to deal with offense - Dudley manual.
3. **Revelation** - We are free to express the vision, values and vehicles we have in our own unique way, but we need to hold to these three. Amos 3:3 - we need to have agreement on the big rocks. Our values are not laws, rules, regulations. Husbands & wives together. Leadership.
4. **Resources without reservation** - Mi Casa Su Casa. People, leaders, buildings, finances, vehicles, all in for the King & kingdom. How do you spell faith? Faith - Risk. Commitment - Money
5. **Responsibility** - take ownership of: mandate, mission, values, vehicles, vision, nations,
6. **Reward** - together - we are blessed together.

Below are further thoughts.

#### IV. How to Partner

##### A. Recognition

We recognize the Biblical basis and need for partnership. It is not God's design that any church or any leader fulfills the Great Commission on their own. There also is a recognition of the Biblical basis and need for translocal ministry, as outlined in Ephesians 4: 1-16, and the anointing and gifts of those on the NCMI team.

##### B. Relationship

Relationship and accountability is strategic and key to the effective ministry of the Church. This is why we often say, "friendship, not just function." We are on a mission together, committed and submitted to each other, serving and preserving our friendships and actively building our relationships.

### C. Revelation

Partnering with us must be something God has called you to. We need to be unified together in theology and heart, while holding to diversity in gifting and grace as we contend for our values together.

### D. Resources

In partnership we give of our resources without reservation. We give our people in our churches to this work as well as partnering financially.

### E. Responsibility

As we partner, we take responsibility in the message of the Gospel, the ministry of the Holy Spirit, the mission of the ministry, and our mandate to the nations. We do this together.

### F. Reward

As we partner we share in God's rewards and the wonderful inheritance that he has for us, together. We share in the increase, the blessing, and in the break-through across the world.