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LUKE 10 TRIPS

New Field Pre-Launch Planning Report

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EFM PRE-LAUNCH PLANNING REPORT

The EFM Luke 10 Pre-Launch Questions report builds a proposal for next steps and logistics in sending short- and long-term missionaries, and will include details such as:

There may be answers available in the EFM CAN GO Reports can be copy and pasted and/or adapted.

1. Vision: It is always worth circling back to vision to make sure we are under growing compelling conviction. What is the compelling picture that is worth giving our lives or the lives of our sons and daughters to? How might these peoples or places look different because we paid the price to take holistic Good News? How could we sharpen our words on how we convey EFM's Help Wanted message to communicate this vision?
2. Partnerships and relationships with other organizations, or collaborations with other regions/yearly meetings in the U.S.
 - Partnerships: Continue to connect in conversation with partner organizations that have emerged about a written partnership agreement. As we think about a potential partnership agreement proposal in 2025 (fifth stage), what kind of expectations might we have of each other in order to strengthen each other's mission goals? What information should be noted for EFM to approve a partnership agreement? Identify where our expectations and their expectations of the partnership align? Identify where expectations differ and need further conversation or additional input from others.
 - Relationships: What contacts, organizations and connections would we identify as informal relationships where we might receive consultation, encouragement or support? As we think about these relationships, what notes would we write in order to clarify to EFM what the nature of the relationship is (what will we give, receive or experience in this relationship).
 - Collaborations: What other regions/yearly meetings in the U.S. have interest in participating with the field's sponsoring region/yearly meeting in the benchmarks for launching and supporting this new mission? Develop clarity for how the regions will work together at this point, and how the collaboration will be assessed and adjusted.
3. Strategy : What informal ideas make the most sense at this time for how this mission field will be launched and developed? How does this impact entry strategy? Keep in mind that ideas for strategy are informal at this stage, as EFM expects that formal strategies will further develop later after missionaries have immersed into learning postures in the culture for 2 years and discover new insights for input to the Field Study Group and EFM.

4. Visa: What are the visa requirements and what are our best options? What, if anything, does this mean for strategy or preparation?
5. Skill Sets: What are the skill sets that stand out as we look for missionary candidates for this field? How might people in your church hear the opportunity and call, including those who never imagined themselves as “missionaries.” How might the call for workers help people discover that their life or work experiences, character and interests fit into the missionary team/s? Young adults? Mid-career? Retired? Long term? One to two years of service?
6. Possible Missionaries: Who are possible missionary candidates for this field that we should be talking with and preparing? This includes people who don’t have traditional “call” but are willing and able to serve within EFM’s missionary qualifications and within context of type of service.
7. Language Learning: First term missionary’s objectives will focus on language and culture learning through immersion. What relationships and connections might be available for language helpers for language learning through immersion? Are there formal language school options that should be considered? How much will these options cost? How does this impact what city or neighborhood they start?
8. Location: Where will our missionaries live? What is the specific city, neighborhood, etc?
9. Lifestyle: What will the missionary lifestyle look like for their first term of culture and language learning immersion? Will they have a car or use public transportation? Will they live on their own or with someone else?
10. Spiritual Issues: What are the significant spiritual issues in the area? How does this impact missionary self-care and support in this particular environment (i.e. coping strategies)?
11. Missionary Care: What needs considered for missionary care in the first term of language learning and culture bonding. What support is required? What pace and rhythms should be considered in this immersion context? Where will the missionary/s go for respite? Are there needs for on-site short- or long-term missionary support personnel? What support or camaraderie already exists in the area of service? What options are there for children’s education (if applicable)?

EFM provides for each missionary: an EFM Coach, a Missionary Care Team, and a Language Learning Coach.

12. Support Budget: What will the major field expenses be during the first term? Housing? Language helper and/or language classes? Transportation? Any insights concerning income levels and lifestyle in the area of service? What else?
13. What are other insights, questions, concerns, points which need to be noted and remembered?