

# SESSION 1

## **Preparations for Church Planting**

## Instructor



Hans Euser, M. Theology at VU in Amsterdam, since 2017 is the director of Intercultural Church Plants (ICP) in the Netherlands. Because of Jesus in his life, he learned to love the nations; the attitude from 'racism' has changed to 'gracism' and it has shaped his way of living. Together with his family they are pioneers. In 2010 they started the International Christians Fellowship, a multi-ethnic church in the city Veenendaal. After setting up the church, they moved to Rotterdam where they are starting BLEND, a way of setting up entrepreneurial church planting in the multicultural neighborhood where they live.

Hans has been married to Carolien since 2000 and together they have three children, Samuel, Roos and Rhodé. Hans is dedicated to inspiring, training, and equipping others to build intercultural faith communities and churches.

## Goals

This 5-session course is a guide on establishing your Intercultural Church plant includes principles taken from the biblical texts, and practical teachings on Kingdom expansion, how to build your leadership team, training them to train others to be disciples of Jesus and in turn multiplying His kingdom.

You will:

- Learn which preparations are necessary for a congregation multiplication.
- Learn from biblical text about Kingdom expansion.
- Learn what are some of the important steps you need to take to reach your goal.
- Learn to identify potential leaders and train them to help you.

## Sessions Overview

1. **Phase I: Preparations for church planting**
2. Phase II: Go on a mission
3. Phase III: Making disciples
4. Phase IV: Training leaders
5. Phase V: Multiplying community

## Session Summary

The first phase of church planting is the preparation. There are many things that need to be taken in consideration. Where do you begin?

## Fill in the Blancs

1. The three basic steps of preparation for a good church planting initiative are  
1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ and 3. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Write down the five research tools mentioned by Hans for preparing to plant a church.  
a. \_\_\_\_\_

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- b. \_\_\_\_\_
- c. \_\_\_\_\_
- d. \_\_\_\_\_
- e. \_\_\_\_\_
3. “Alone you go faster, but together you go \_\_\_\_\_.”
4. What are the 3 persons groups with which you can cooperate and which are needed for church planting? a. \_\_\_\_\_ b. \_\_\_\_\_ and c. \_\_\_\_\_
5. What is the purpose of the first team?
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6. In what ways can you be accountable to the second group/team?
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7. In what ways is the third group indispensable?
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8. What are some of the elements of forming the vision for your church planting initiative? Try it and create a draft of your vision forming here.
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