

# IMB Senders Summit

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# An Associational Model: Collaborative Sending

By working together, churches can collaborate as we seek to identify, equip, send and support their own people for 5 urgently needed Great Commission tasks.



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Collaborative development continually fills leadership gaps.



# Houston's First Baptist Church Pipeline

- Challenges
- Benefits
- Results
- Lessons Learned



# Why Church Collaboration

An associational model awakens the dormant potential of local churches.

By partnering together, churches of all shapes and sizes can participate in sustainable sending.



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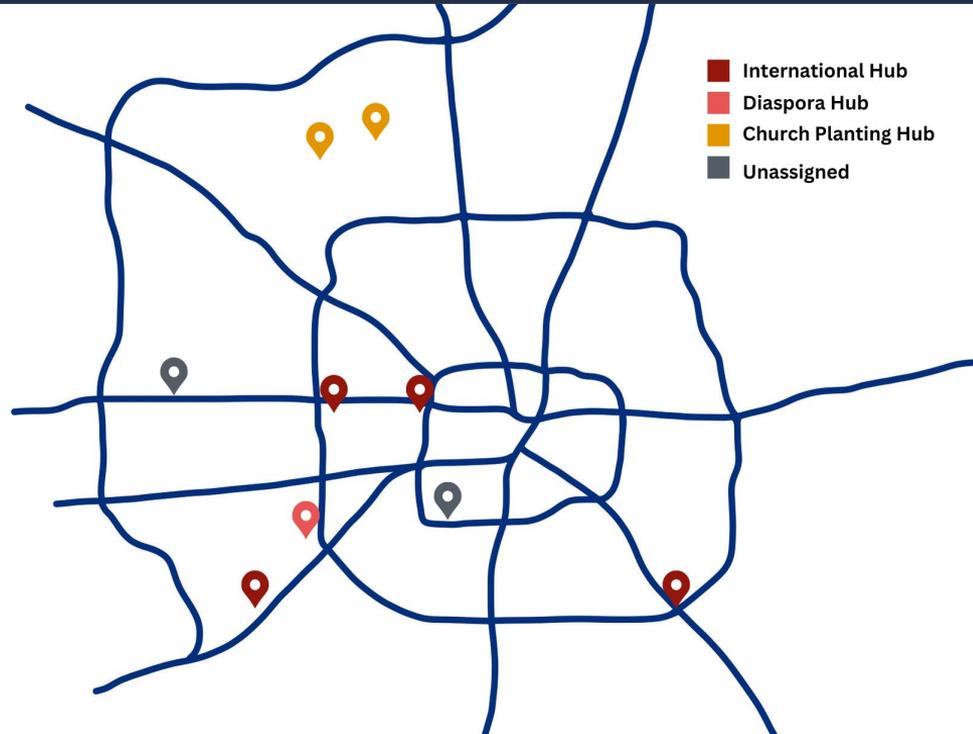
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Appointment gives missionary confidence to go.



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**Support**

Local church support discovers missionary's individual needs, spots the gaps, and partners for support.

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# Equipping Together

- Missionary Sending Cohort: simple & practical content
- 8 modules
- 2 hrs classroom / workshop time monthly (theory & tools)
- Local & international field experience



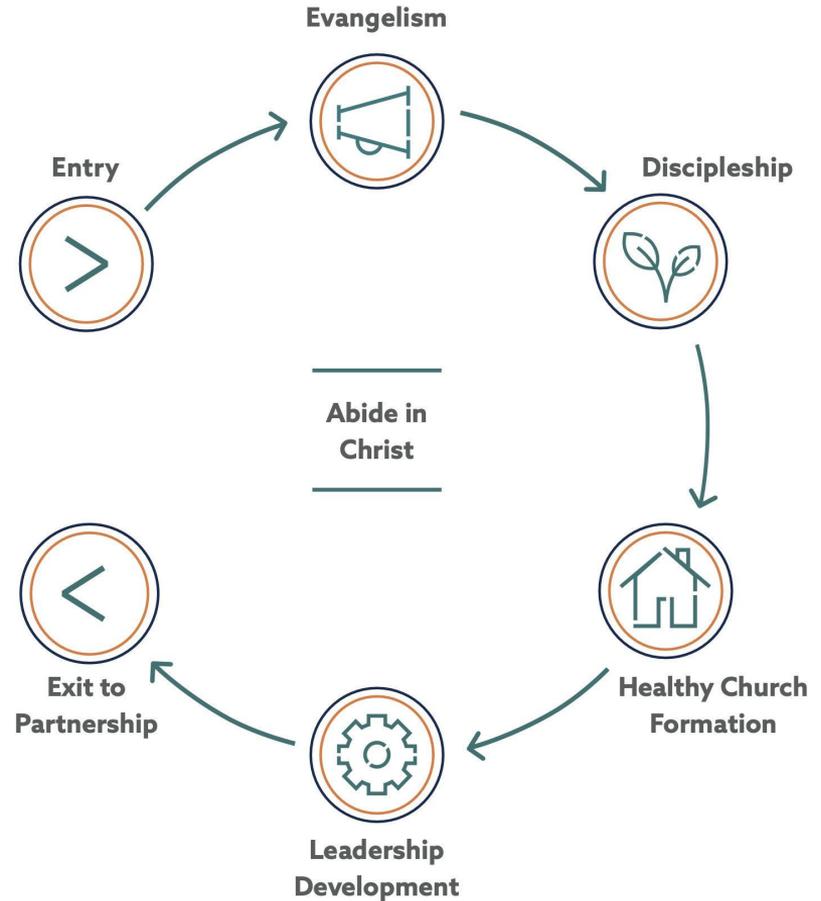
# 8 Modules

## Semester 1

1. Vision & Abiding
2. Entry
3. Evangelism
4. Discipleship

## Semester 2

5. Church Formation
6. Leadership Development
7. Exit to Partnership
8. Teaming



# In Each Module:

A woman with long dark hair and glasses is pointing at a whiteboard. The whiteboard is covered with numerous pink and yellow sticky notes arranged in a grid-like pattern. The background is slightly blurred, showing a window with blinds on the left.

1. **We teach you: Theory**
  2. **We teach you to teach: Tools**
  3. **You apply: Field experience**
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- A close-up view of a person's hands working at a desk. There is a laptop, several sticky notes (yellow and pink), and other office supplies. The scene is slightly out of focus, emphasizing the hands and the workspace.

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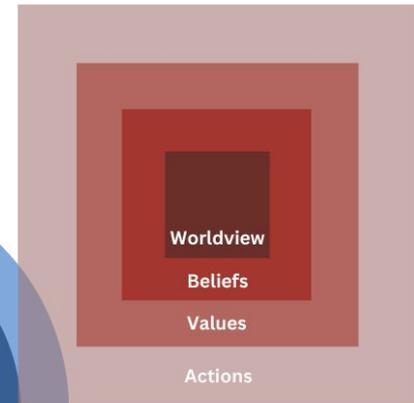
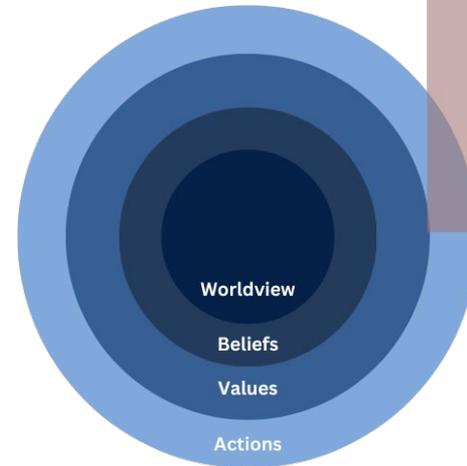
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## 1. We teach you: 5-4-3-2-1 of Entry

- 5 Questions of Worldview
- 4 Levels of Culture
- 3 Systems of Reward/Punishment
- 2 Cultures in Overlap
- 1 True Story



4 Levels of Culture

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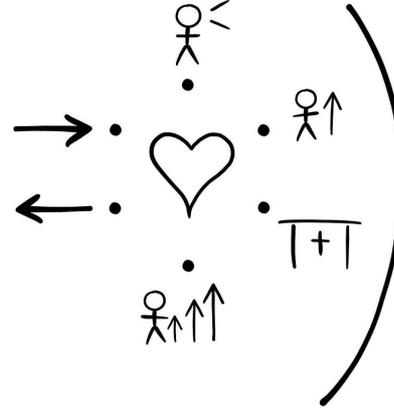
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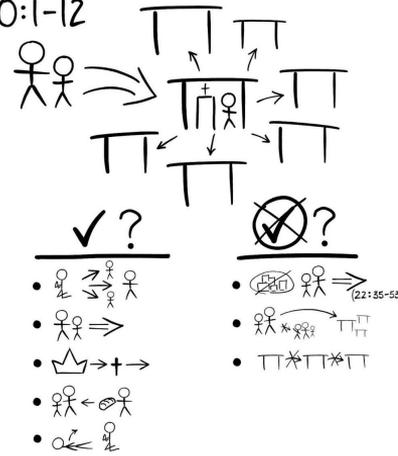
## 2. We teach you to teach others:

- Acts 14:20-23
  - i. Core Missionary Task
- Luke 10:1-12
  - i. Pattern for Entry

14:20-23



10:1-12



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- *International:*
  - South Asia Summer, Oct
  - South South Asia Nov

# How to Get Started

- Pray. Build a prayer team.
- Build or adopt a mission sending process.
- Identify those God is calling to join.
- Take a mission trip—focusing on core missionary tasks (evangelism, disc., etc.)
- Cast vision to other churches, including senior pastors and key leaders to join a collaborative mission sending effort.

