



Team Description and Suggestions for Selecting Your Team

Teams and/or the congregations give their team a name that best describes and helps the congregation understand what the team is about. The responsibility of the congregational team is to accompany and engage the congregation in its journey through the Re-Rooting in God's Mission process. The team is called to lead the process in such a way as to build up the spiritual life of God's people in a given place and to discover God's mission in that place. The team facilitates small and large group processes; collects, studies and analyzes information; engages in spiritual disciplines of discernment; and seeks to encourage and equip the congregation toward a broadly shared and owned vision of God's mission in a particular field. The Team is selected by and accountable to the council and pastor.

Optimal size of the team is 4-5 people plus the pastor (5 people)

It could include more depending on the context and circumstance of the congregation and/or parish of two more congregations. When a multipoint parish participates in the Re-Rooting in God's Mission process there are two primary avenues that could be followed when assembling teams: one team would be assembled that has representation from each of the congregations in the parish or there could be a team assembled from each of the parish congregations.

Members of the team would best be able to serve if they, individually and together, have the following gifts and characteristics:

- The respect of the congregation
- The trust of the pastor
- Ability to process gathered information and interpret it into the local context
- Some skills in the area of leadership and teaching
- An ability to effectively and openly communicate with others
- A consistent and valued prayer life
- A deep sense of commitment to the long term health of the congregation
- Some experience in planning (optional)
- Representative of the various generations and years of membership in the congregation