

SESSION TITLE: Working in a Nationalized Work

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DEVELOPING AND WORKING WITH NATIONALISED CHURCHES

- I. Your past ministerial experience has a big influence.

- II. Going into a nationalised work is different from developing a nationalised work.
 - A. If they are already nationalised, they may not feel they need you.
 - B. You may go to a field that is ahead of you in some ways—technology, etc.

- III. Working Together
 - A. Respect
 1. You must earn this not demand it.
 2. Treat national leaders the same as you would treat leaders in North America.
 - B. Giving
 1. Be an example of giving to every national project.
 2. Be involved wholeheartedly with every department and ministry.
 - C. Being friendly
 1. Do not develop North American clicks.
 2. Learn to make close friends on an equal level with nationals.
 3. Treat them as equals.
 4. Don't be afraid to open yourself and develop friendships with nationals.
 - D. Integrate
 1. Draw support from where you are.
 2. Limit trips to USA.
 - E. Acknowledging God gives the increase

"There is no limit to what a man can do or where he can go if he doesn't mind who gets the credit..."

F. Communication

1. Don't be independent or isolated.
2. Communicate with the national church as to what is happening in your area of service.

IV. Different is not wrong!

- A. Respect their culture, their values and thought processes.
- B. Buy into their vision and knowing how to incorporate your experience and know-how without being overbearing or pushy.
- C. Learn to allow your idea _____ .
 1. Example:
 2. Tip 1: Keep your
 3. Tip 2: Don't say

V. Don't flaunt your missionary status.

- A. Don't refer to yourself as a missionary.
- B. Remember they can't requisition or raise money in North America.
- C. Just do your thing and keep quiet.

VI. Learn to lead from the middle of the pack (Maxwell).

- A. Stay involved with the Bible School or develop one yourself in cooperation with the national work.
- B. Keep your vision in forefront of your mind and it will keep you on track.

VII. Longevity goes a long way!

- A. Longevity goes a long way!
- B. We used to be considered foreigners, but we've been there so long we are part of the woodwork.
- C. Getting dual citizenship and buying a house went a long ways—not possible everywhere.

AS YOU DO THESE THINGS YOU ARE TRULY DEVELOPING THE NATIONAL WORK BY YOUR INFLUENCE MORE THAN YOUR AUTHORITY.

- Example is not the main thing in influencing others—it is the ONLY thing.
- Takes Patience, Determination and Consistency!