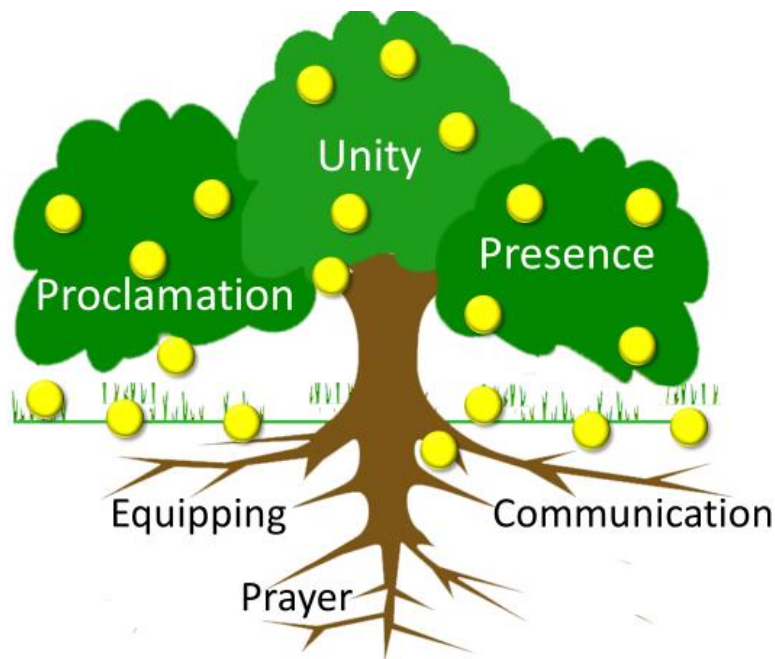


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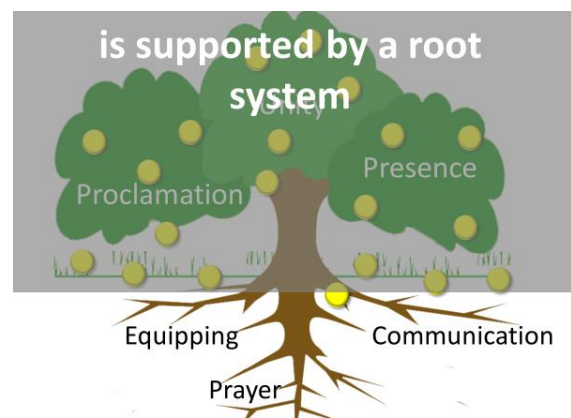
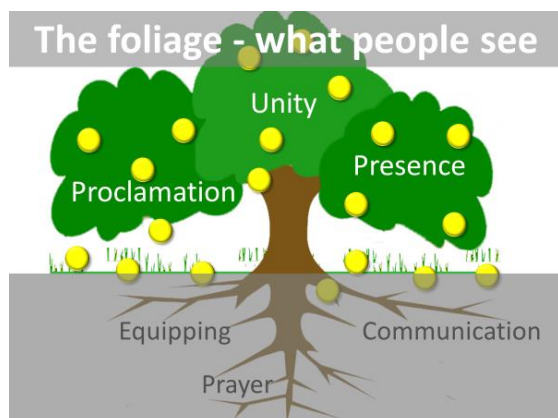


Introduction

When it comes to producing a Mission Action Plan (MAP) our *suggestion* is that you use the 'fruitfulness indicators' from the Mission review as a way in to exploring what needs to be focussed upon. This document is a simple way of putting some flesh on the bone of each of these aspects.



The image above seeks to show how these different indicators are integrated together. It shows a fruitful church at its best. The yellow balls are the fruit that one hopes will be produced in due season. The green leaves (proclamation, unity & presence) are what we might call the key mission edges where the faith community rubs shoulders with the wider community (what people see). The brown trunk & root system reminds of the essential supporting nature of prayer, effective communication and the need to equip people in their mission.



The suggestion is that to have a fruitful church community careful thought needs to be given to each of these elements. All are needed. A church is more likely to flourish as it seeks to grow in proclamation, presence and unity, and when these core elements are supported and encouraged by creative prayer, effective communication and equipping, good fruit is hopefully going to be the result.

PRESENCE

PROCLAMATION

UNITY

This is where you state the dreams/ the ideas that you sense God is calling you to in these various areas of mission.

How can we bless the wider community?



Be realistic according to the size of your church – don't over stretch. Remember it is better to do a few things well! Be as specific as you can – **what** is the dream, **when** will it happen, **who** is going to make it happen.

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How can we speak into that community?



Think how you could have several stepping stones (see Engels scale) to help people journey towards faith. Be as specific as you can – **what** is the dream, **when** will it happen, **who** is going to make it happen.

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How can we be a united community?



Think about areas of church life that you sense God wants you to work on to promote unity & practically what you might do. Be as specific as you can – **what** is the dream, **when** will it happen, **who** is going to make it happen.

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Feel free to add more ...

How will you support this through prayer, Equipping & Communication?

Remember, Prayer Equipping and Communication are essential as the root system of a tree. Without them fruit will be hard to find. Write down focused, creative & practical steps in each area that you intend to take. Please note – this is not a box filling exercise, but a way of setting down some good practices & intentions.

1.PRAYER

2.EQUIPPING

3.COMMUNICATION

***What will FRUIT look like
for PRESENCE?***

***What will FRUIT look like
for PROCLAMATION?***

***What will FRUIT look like
for UNITY?***

This is central to this exercise – to note what fruit you would hope to see in each of these areas will give a reference point to look back to & assess how things are going

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Engel Scale

coming to faith is a journey (let's say 4 years) and obviously different approaches are needed at different stages

