

A person stands on a rocky mountain peak, looking out over a vast, hazy landscape of rolling hills and valleys. The scene is bathed in a warm, orange-red light, suggesting a sunrise or sunset. The person is silhouetted against the bright background. The image is framed by large, dark, triangular shapes that create a sense of depth and focus on the central figure and the text.

Step Into Your Calling

A CHURCH PLANTING RESIDENCY BUILT FOR REAL LIFE

**PASSION4
PLANTING™**

TRAIN FROM WHERE YOU ARE.
LAUNCH WITH CLARITY, COMMUNITY, AND CONFIDENCE.

You Feel **Called to Plant.** But Where Do You Begin?

You've felt the nudge to start a new church. You're praying, researching, and dreaming. But the path forward feels overwhelming:

- Where do I even start?
- How do I turn this sense of calling into a real plan?
- How do I know I'm not missing something important?
- Who will guide me through this?

Church planting is exciting—but it's also complex. Without real training and support, many planters start alone, under-resourced, and unclear.

That doesn't have to be your story.

A Proven Pathway to Your Customized Plan

At Passion for Planting, we help leaders turn their calling into thriving, reproducing churches. Our 9-month Church Planting Residency gives you the tools, plan, and guidance you need to move from idea to launch.

It's tactical, not just theoretical. It's built to help you contextualize your strategy to your community. And it's designed to help you start strong and stay healthy.

Journey with Peers

You'll journey in a cohort of planters like you, sharing ideas and inspiring each other to start the new churches God is calling you to plant.

Learn from Practitioners

You'll learn from and interact with over 30 presenters from across the country who give you new insights and connections.

Prepare with Confidence

You won't just leave with a custom plan. You'll leave with the confidence to share it and the support to follow through.

Whether you're planting in a city, suburb, or rural town, this residency will help you translate calling into clarity and action.

“ *Passion For Planting helped prepare me with the resources I didn't even know I needed! From the opportunity to connect with experienced leaders in church planting to a tangible timeline that helped guide us in the process. The cohort was exactly what I needed to ensure we launched strong!*

— ANTHONY MILLER, 2021 COHORT

How Does **the Residency** Work?

Stay plugged in at your church and participate in the 9-month distance residency, which includes:

Live Virtual Training

Learn and network with national church planting leaders during weekly video conferences:

- Wednesdays from 9am – 3pm Eastern via Zoom (with break for lunch)
- Over 30 practitioners from across the country share their expertise

Online Coursework & Homework

Prepare for weekly cohort through:

- Engaging online course content
- Relevant blogs, podcasts, and videos
- Crafting contextual strategies for their church plant
- Building a custom action plan with dates, doers and dollars

In-Person Intensives

Planters will travel to Passion for Planting's headquarters three times to foster camaraderie, dive deep into critical pre-launch topics, and establish the DNA for a reproducing church:

- Kickoff event: early September
- First onsite: early December; includes visits by and field trips to local church planters
- Second onsite: mid-March; includes preaching and feedback on Opening Day sermon

What **Results** Should I Expect?

- Residency training without having to move across the country
- A better understanding of church planting principles and practices
- A compelling vision for a new church
- A launch strategy tailored to your target community, with guidance and feedback from peers and mentors
- A custom action plan with practical timeline to launch a reproducing church
- Priority consideration for P4P's project management support (with limited grants available)
- New friendships with like-minded church planting leaders
- Enthusiasm for implementing your strategic plan

You'll walk away ready to plant—with a strategy in your hands and a team behind you.

And upon successful completion, you will be eligible for a **\$5,000 cash grant** toward your church plant. **Learn more:** church-planting.net/residency/grant

What Does it Cost?

- \$500 registration fee (but eligibility for \$5,000 cash grant upon completion)
- Travel for the kickoff and 2 in-person intensives
- Nine-month commitment
- Time investment from a supervising sponsor at your local church

You aren't just investing in training; you're investing in **clarity, confidence, and Kingdom growth.**

Why **Choose** This Residency?

- **Real Training:** We don't just inspire; we equip.
- **Proven Process:** Learn what to do, when, and how.
- **Cohort-Based:** You'll never walk alone.
- **Flexible Format:** Train from your own city.
- **Launch-Ready:** Graduate with confidence and a full strategic plan.

A **Proven** Process

More than just theory — you'll gain practical training for real-world church planting through the R.O.P.E.S. training method:

- **R**esearch — Investigate your target community and study its culture
- **O**bserve — Participate in ministry at your local church and visit church plants
- **P**resent — Share your vision and strategies with peers and mentors, and even preach your Opening Day sermon
- **E**valuate — Receive and process feedback to refine your approach
- **S**upport — Encourage and be encouraged by your peers throughout your planting journey

Meet the **Leadership Team**

Passion for Planting was started over 20 years ago when the church planting leaders at New Life Christian Church discovered that planters were drowning in details. Our aim has always been to keep church planters focused on people.

We started our Residency in 2015 to give church planters an edge in starting healthy, reproducing churches. Built with the rigor of a college-level course, the Residency will give your planters new knowledge and skills in church planting. It is facilitated by Sean Cronin, an experienced planter practitioner who has led our residency cohorts since 2016. He brings in over 30 presenters from our network of church planting leaders across the country to give residents new insights and connections. Patrick Bradley oversees the program and Todd Wilson provides strategic direction. Together, they will prepare your residents to plant healthy, reproducing churches.



Sean Cronin

Training Lead

Achiever | Context | Belief

I lead the Residency Cohort focused on helping church planters gain a clearer vision for the church God's calling them to plant. I don't offer a lot of answers but ask a lot of questions to help them discern how Jesus wants to build His church through them. I do this with the goal of helping them develop a plan that guides their efforts to pursue the vision God's giving them.



Patrick Bradley

Director of Operations

Ideation | Developer | Strategic

I equip church planting leaders by creating tools and systems that keep church planters focused on people. I want church planters to experience the confidence of having a contextual strategic plan and the enjoyment that comes from spending less time on the details.



Todd Wilson

Executive Director

Futuristic | Strategic | Activator

I serve leaders and ministries who are pursuing multiplication, and help them develop vision and strategy for 100X impact. I'm an entrepreneurial engineer, passionate about creating pictures of future possibilities and strategies for turning them into reality.

Let's Get You **Ready to Plant**

Applications for the next cohort are now open.

Application Deadline: August 1
(Space is limited)

Apply Today:
church-planting.net/residency

Questions?
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You don't need to plant alone.

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