

## WHY THIS TRAINING INITIATIVE?

**After 35 years as an urban practitioner, I have made the following observations:**

- There is a growing army of motivated Christian leaders passionate to change their cities
- Most efforts globally are led by motivated individuals or by small organizations
- There is a need to create more muscularity among leaders and organizations to tackle the great challenges of the 21st century urban landscape

The vision is to invest in 1000 practitioners who are leading city gospel movement expressions. The prospective students will be nominated by leaders currently leading gospel movement expressions across six continents where we have more than 200 engaged cities. The model would be two practitioners per city to have a shared experience.

The model is a 3 year cohort. Year 1 the global cohort begins together at a selected city. That city will serve as a lab for the cohort. Years 2 and 3 will be hosted by regions of the world.

**At the end of the three year experience the leaders will be able to do the following:**

- Present a decadal plan for their city that reflects the commitment of a community of stakeholders
- Create a series of Bible rooted materials (Bible studies, sermon outlines, podcasts) that can be used in the context of their city to deepen a theology of the city
- Demonstrate growth in their own organizational capacity
- Grow or plant Movement Day Expressions for their city



## SEPTEMBER 18-19, 2020 MODULE

### Pre-Read:

- A Theology As Big As A City (Bakke, InterVarsity Press)
- The Power of a City at Prayer (Pier, InterVarsity Press)
- Disruptive Women (Shelton, Movement Day Publishing)
- Article: To Fight Gentrification, A Brooklyn Pastor Plans to Build 2100 Apartments (NY Times)

### September 18, 2020

#### Morning:

- The Spiritual Life of a Movement Leader: Mac Pier
- The Vision of a Movement Leader: AR Bernard
- Tour of Christian Cultural Center

#### Afternoon:

- Resourcing a Movement: Bob Doll, Roger Dempsey, Raymond Harris
- Understanding Your City: Roger Sutton
- Lab Work: Creating a Plan to Research your City

### September 19, 2020

#### Morning:

- A Theology as Big as the City: Ray Bakke
- Mobilizing Leaders Into A Movement: Mark Visvasam
- Lab Work: Drafting a Plan for Organizational Development

#### Afternoon:

- Envisioning Your Movement Day Pathway – Defining Your North Star: Craig Sider
- Engaging Vulnerable Populations: Letitia Shelton
- Lab Work: Creating a 12 Month Learning Module and Assignments

### Movement Day X: September 22-24

A Reflection Paper – What Could Your City Look Like by 2030?



**MOVEMENT DAY**

**SCHOLARS**

**PROGRAM**

**TOWARD A 500**

**CITY VISION**

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## THEMATIC CONTENT FOR EACH ANNUAL GATHERING OF A COHORT

### 1. Vision: The Leaders Most Important Assignment

- Enlarging a leader's vision for the God of the city. This will be done through a series of guided reflections and journal experiences
- Building out a sustainable prayer strategy for a leader's city movement
- Teaching on developing an urban theology
- Creation of theological reflections for your city

### 2. An Urban Leader's Tool Kit: Growing Organizational Capacity

- Creating a strategic plan that will scale your organization
- The core skills of growing organizations: Fundraising, staffing, board development, mobilization
- The role of social media and communications

### 3. Creating a Decadal Plan Using Movement Day Methodology

- Conducting the right research to understand your city
- Creating partnerships that produce scaled impact
- Planning for and executing your Movement Day Expression

## PARTNERSHIP WITH GRADUATE SCHOOLS

Movement.org is exploring partnerships with other schools that would allow this course to be accredited toward Master's and Doctoral studies in other programs. We recognize that gaining a formal degree can empower leaders in their own fields and future aspirations.

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## MOVEMENT DAY SCHOLARS TIMELINE

**YEAR 1: SEPTEMBER 2020—NEW YORK CITY**  
Meeting Dates: September 18 and 19

**YEAR 2: 2021 (TENTATIVE)—ATHENS, GREECE**  
Visit 4 New Testament Cities

**YEAR 3: 2022 (TENTATIVE)—CHENNAI, INDIA**  
Visit the birthplace of South Asia Christianity

**YEAR 4: 2023 (TENTATIVE)—JERUSALEM, ISRAEL**

