

The Common Good:
A Generosity Model
with the
Community
at Its Center

Stability and Sustainability

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TEXT: Nehemiah Chapters 1 & 2

Then they said, 'Let us start building!' So they committed themselves to the common good.

Nehemiah 2:18b

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Reporting Out **HOMEWORK**

1. Prayerfully choose an asset to focus on.
2. Make a plan: How will you let your neighbors know that you want to dream with them NOT for them?
3. Make a plan: In this season of COVID, for you context, what avenues will you pursue to strengthen or create relationships with your community?

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Through the lens of the common good:
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Creating a leadership structure that is
observant, building, and learning.

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Mission Focus

TEAM MEMBERSHIP MATRIX

Investment Involvement

Inquiry **Innovation**

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Investment

*Financial decisions should be made by people with
 financial investment gifts AND expertise.*

*If they are not present in your congregation,
 look outside of the congregation.*

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Involvement

*Leaders in this category have
gifts for relationships
through cooperative work.*

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Inquiry

*Leaders in this category have
inquisitive minds and
investigative habits.*

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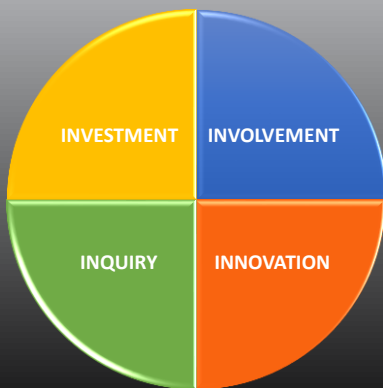
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Innovation

Leaders in this category are learning from the status quo and following where necessity leads with new ideas ahead of the curve.

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Mission Team

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What industries are the major employers in your immediate community?

How does your community spend its disposable income?

How does it spend its non-disposable income?

How do the answers to these questions relate to the assets identified by your neighbors?

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Self audit your starting point:

Where are your monetarily viable assets?

What is your monetary debt?

Are your assets worth it?

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STARTING POINTS

Know your neighbors

Know their assets

Know their priorities

Know their dreams

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STARTING POINTS

Define your mission focus through prayerful
discernment of things you learn through
relationship with your neighbors.

Underlying mission: enhance the common good
in your community.

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STARTING POINTS

Have an honest assessment of your financial picture and determine what needs to go.
Establish your mission team and discover where God is calling you to invest, get involved, inquire and innovate for the common good.

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Through the lens of the common good:
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Create an exhaustive financial picture of your ministry.

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Through the lens of the common good:

HOMEWORK

Create a team with
representation from each
component of the matrix.

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Through the lens of the common good:

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Call the team together twice for bible
study and getting to know each other.
Third meeting, introduce the asset
on which to focus.

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Nehemiah 2:18b

UPCOMING
DATE

Thursday, Jan. 14th
6:30-8PM