

COMMUNITIES ON MISSION LAUNCH CLASS REVIEWS

What Other Pastors Are Saying

CARRIE GOLDSMITH Pastor

I really love the Launch Class because you get to talk with people from around the country; people who are in totally different situations than you, and people who are similar. You can bounce ideas off of each other and get a lot of encouragement. The teaching is done really well and you get a lot of time to collaborate with your groups. If you are interested in going out in your community and doing something new and real this is a really good way to learn how to do it and connect with other people who are on the same path as you.

KATHERINE HOLLAND Pastor

I knew what I wanted to do regarding local ministry but I wasn't sure how to go about starting it. The Launch Class helped me figure that out and the step-by-step structure of the Communities on Mission framework is great.

SCOTT MOORE Pastor

I was drawn to Communities on Mission not because it would be a great addition to my church's programing but because it highlights the importance of developing a missional culture for our church.

I appreciated how every week I was able to take away helpful and encouraging insights from people interested in developing practical ways to encourage both community and mission as a way of discipling people from pre-Christian to fully developing followers of Christ.

TIM ALDERSON Counselor/Coach

I value what I have learned about the Communities on Mission strategy and approach and how it is applied to accomplish the goal of bringing the Kingdom of Heaven to Earth. It has been exciting to see how the Launch Class has been modified to incorporate feedback from earlier classes. These changes have enabled class members to move from just learning new concepts and ideas to actual implementation of Kingdom projects.

NATE ROSKAM Pastor

I've had the privilege of being part of the Launch Class and enjoyed immensely the content and the way it was delivered. I think especially Philip, and the others that were involved, delivered this in a way that was able to contextualize to where we're at. It wasn't something that they held up and said here's what we're doing, you need to do the same thing. But instead, more like here's the kingdom underpinnings and the way in which to see heaven break into our lives, our neighborhoods, our communities, and the world.

BRADY THELANDER Pastor

The Launch class not only introduces new concepts, but it gives you tools, support, and accountability to be able to implement Kingdom theology in your specific context. I'm so grateful for the opportunity to participate.

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TIM GROSE Pastor

I've been chasing the perfect ministry model for a lot of years, knowing that there is not a perfect solution, but I felt there had to be a way to bring something together to support an organic ministry initiative. When I started the Launch Class nine weeks ago I didn't have the full idea of what the ministry I wanted to do was going to look like. All I had was a 10,000 foot view, looking down into it. The Launch Class has helped me see the details and structure and now I can visualize how Communities on Mission can incorporate and support everything I've been dreaming about doing. I have gained a lot of insight from the Launch Class. It has been very valuable in shaping my heart towards the kingdom of God.

KIM RICHARDSON Co-Founder, Vision Partners

The Communities on Mission Launch Class gives solid, practical principles and tactics to move "outside the walls" of the existing/traditional church without disrespecting it. The class balances the need to be on mission with the need for spiritual support and community. The "everyone is a missionary" conviction is demonstrated in how COM's are organized. I strongly recommend this class to anyone who wants to launch ministries to those who will not "come to church."

ISRRAEL RODRIGUEZ Pastor

I like how Communities on Mission have been helping me to put a name to and organize this passion of God's Kingdom within my heart. I would definitely recommend the Launch Class to other pastors in my circle of influence.

The key takeaway is equipping our "church people" to become committed, involved missional disciples in our surrounding communities as well as around the world.

GARRY EDWARDS Pastor

The Communities on Mission concept fits clearly into the path God has been taking me on. I enjoyed the devotionals and the breakout sessions were helpful and encouraging. I will look forward to seeing what God has in store for my local church as we continue implementing the plan.

MATT PRICE Church-Planting Missionary

There are three things regarding Communities on Mission that really stand out to me: First, it closes the gap between heaven and earth where ministry and life become truly incarnational. Secondly, I love the fact that it really blends compassion with evangelism which makes ministry and life transformational. And the third thing that really stands out to me, and I appreciate the most, are the discipleship balloons, where discipleship is dynamic and transformative, not always linear and static.

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JP VAN DALSEM

Pastor

I have observed an increasing desire for my people to integrate the Faith they express on Sundays through the rest of the week. I believe Communities on Mission will help our people discover purpose and mobilize to bring God's Kingdom close. I can't wait to lean into more discussions and learn more from the passionate and knowledgeable staff.

DANNY ATKINS

Pastor

Often in the church world, the question of how we help our congregation participate in God's mission can seem complex and impractical. Where should one start? Communities on Mission give leaders a tangible method and helpful structure to mobilize their people to be active in their neighborhood or city. The simplicity and clarity of the vision of Communities on Mission is an invaluable tool for any pastor seeking to lead their people to take part in God's "Heaven on Earth" project.

ERIC SMITH

Pastor

In my pastoral experience, I find that the vast majority of people today are either struggling with loneliness, walking through life without a purpose or both. Communities on Mission not only beautifully reflect God's communal and sending nature, they also provide an answer to both of these needs. I believe that, in providing a space for real and honest connection as well as being on mission together, Communities on Mission can contribute to creating holistically healthier cities as God intended them.