

Job-Aid for Verifying Engagement Status

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PEOPLE GROUP NAME/COUNTRY HERE

DATE

ASSESSOR NAME HERE

Criterion 1

IDEA: The apostolic effort is present with the people. This can mean living with them, or in some cases, being within a short distance.

There is a long-term worker living among the people
OR,
There is a long-term worker living close enough to have frequent contact

NOTE: Short-term workers are often also meaningfully employed whether among the people or close by.

Apostolic effort in (near) residence?

Check if "yes" ✓

Criterion 2

IDEA: The work is conducted in the language of the people, and it fits the culture.

Scriptures are shared in heart or market language
AND
Practices fit the people's culture

Committed to work in local language and culture?

Check if "yes" ✓

Criteria 3

IDEA: Work is long-term. It stays until multiplying churches are established.

Workers state they are committed to stay with the people until the church is self-multiplying.

Committed to long-term ministry?

Check if "yes" ✓

Criteria 4

IDEA: The methods lead to a self-replicating, healthy church.

Demonstrated commitment to Scripture, fellowship, worship, prayer, and God continually adding new disciples

Sowing is occurring in a manner consistent with the goal of seeing a biblically healthy, multiplying church emerge.?

Check if "yes" ✓

This people group is engaged

Check if "yes" ✓

Directions for Completing the Job-Aid

For the first 3 criteria, you are making observations. For the 4th, you are evaluating methods. You do not have to check all the boxes to assess a criterion as met.

1. **CRITERION 1: Apostolic effort in residence.** The idea is that an apostolic witness is either living among the people or close enough to be present. Short-term workers can work with long-term workers to help meet this criterion.
2. **CRITERION 2: Committed to work in local language or culture.** This means that almost all of the communication (Scripture, teaching, social interaction) is in either the heart or market language of the people. The language used in education is an example of a market language. If the culture is Oral, the Scriptures do not have to be written.
3. **CRITERION 3: Committed to long-term ministry.** The work is designed for the long-term. The workers commit to staying with the people until the church is self-multiplying. The workers verbal commitment is sufficient to make this assessment.
4. **CRITERION 4: Sowing is occurring in a manner consistent with the goal of seeing a biblically healthy, multiplying church.** This about *how* the work is being done. Look for an emphasis on:
 - Scripture,
 - Fellowship,
 - Worship,
 - Prayer, and
 - God's adding new disciples continually

5. **FINAL ASSESSMENT OF ENGAGEMENT.** You need to have evaluated each of the four criteria as "yes" to assess the people group as engaged. Please don't change your earlier decisions in order to make it so! Thank you.