GREENHOUSE
Making disciples of Jesus through New Worshipping Communities

Greenhouse 1: New Disciples

Theme	Aims	What do we need?	Schedule for session
New Disciples	Building Teams Build confidence in contextual understanding Clarify Mission for Teams	• Flip-chart paper, • pens, • Greenhouse notebooks and pencils. • Projector and screen or large TV. • Download PowerPoint 1 in advance • 10 Stories handout will have been distributed in advance	2hr 30 – 3hrs in total.

Before this session, Facilitators will have…

Emailed all participants to confirm date, time, location and accessibility issues. Will also share remaining dates for gatherings.

Checked this plan, and organised the session, including equipment.

Met online with Greenhouse Lead/Team

After this session, Facilitators will have a post-session call with the Greenhouse Lead/Team

Local Teams will have a Coaching Call with Tim Lea.

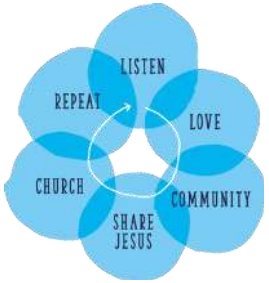
Session 2 will occur in 4-6 months time

Time	**Learning Objective**	**Activities**	**Slides and Equipment**
10 mins	Introduction of the space and preparation through worship and prayer.	**Local Teams to sit together** ***Welcome, Prayer and reflective worship***	Powerpoint slide 1

		Timings for today (add times if useful) Welcome – intro to diocesan facilitators, usual housekeeping items (add photos if useful) Introductory prayer (with call and response elements). *Almighty God, we thank you that you call each and every one of us to different ministries and different work. Open our hearts and minds to what and where you are calling us to be…* *"Here am I, servant of the Lord;* ***let it be with me according to your word."*** *Show us as members of your church how we can develop and grow, how we can dream and hope.* *"Here am I, servant of the Lord;* ***let it be with me according to your word."*** *Draw us together as part of Greenhouse, and part of our spiritual and social communities – enthuse us to represent you as disciples, and to draw people to you.* *"Here am I, servant of the Lord;* ***let it be with me according to your word."***	Slide 2 Slide 3 Slide 4

		All of these things, in your name we pray – Father, Son and Holy Spirit. ***Amen***	
15 mins	Introduce the people.	***All individuals to introduce themselves to their Local Team (Is there anyone in your group that you don't know?)*** Prompt questions: • What first drew you to a church community? • How are you feeling about today and working towards a New Worshipping Community? • What do you hope might be achieved today, and through this process? Introduce your Local Team to the whole Greenhouse group.	Slide 5
10 mins	Introduce the process.	***What's going to happen?*** Process • 4 sessions (potential extras) • Coaching Calls • Greenhouse Network Sessions will include… • Talking with your Local Team • Sharing with the Greenhouse • Hearing about some examples from around England • Some input about faith, discipleship, mission and communities. Coaching is… You will engage with coaching like this…	Slide 6 Slide 7 Slide 8

		Fresh Expressions and NWCs are… Facilitators to emphasise the breadth of possibilities from a brand new youth community that meets in a skate park to a new 8am Eucharist and everything inbetween	Slide 9
5 mins	Present the key theme of mission as part of discipleship	*Facilitator to present…* ***Why are we doing these things?*** We are missional people Taking the gospel and the kingdom into the world Our work builds Disciples not Institutions	Slide 10
5 mins 10 mins 15 mins	Identify strengths and weaknesses of visible mission and outreach.	***Video about a Fresh Expression involving Beach Labyrinths*** Discuss these questions in pairs… - What are your first reflections on the concept of Beach Labyrinths, and how Andrew makes it work? - What do you see as positives from this example? - Are there any potential challenges? Feed answers back to the wider group. Conversation can be encouraged.	Slide 11 Slide 12 Slide 13
5 mins	Present stages of New Worshipping Community development	*Facilitator to present…* ***Forming, sustaining or reframing a New Worshipping Community*** We're gathering to help… a) think about forming a New Worshipping Community	Slide 14

		or b) forming a New Worshipping Community or c) sustaining a New Worshipping Community or d) reframing your work so far. None of these stages are any better or more important than any other.	
20 mins	Introduce the Missional Journey	*Facilitator to present* Greenhouse uses a tool called the Missional Journey, which Michael Moynagh, the creator of Greenhouse, has developed. Use the explanation in the right hand column here.  At all times – LISTEN, as part of the cycle and in advance of it. If in doubt, listen to God, the Spirit, the people inside and outside Can take a step backwards. Re-planting should be part of your thinking After explaining the model, the following questions might be useful for the whole group…	Slide 15 & 16 The Missional Journey is a model for thinking about New Worshipping Communities. There are other models, and all can have value. The Missional Journey is one such model, and can fit well with Greenhouse. From Godsend (p15)… The Missional Journey is like a map – it helps you plan your route to a new or changed Christian community. You can choose a wide variety of paths. • You listen lovingly to God and to people round you. • Through listening, you prayerfully discover a simple way to love these people • Your activity of love becomes something around which people gather and build community.

		• Where are you currently in the model? • What words would you change? • What do you like about the model? Is there anything else you would change?	• As trust deepens, you might find opportunities to share Jesus together. • A new worshipping community or fresh expression connected to the whole church takes shape among those coming to faith and becomes church for them. • These believers repeat the cycle in their own way. • But life can of course be more messy and less straightforward than the diagram.
20 mins	Tea Break		Slide 17
15 mins	Exploring how context can be considered **"What is"**	*Questions for the Local Teams* ***What's your context? Who lives there?*** ***Who travels there? Why?*** ***Who does or doesn't?*** (Do you need to find out more?) (Would your community agree with you?) Which group of people are you wanting to love and serve? What is growing? Have you started anything? Take notes as individuals and a team.	Slide 18
10 mins	Identifying what's possible in each context	***Facilitator to lead imaginative reflection on 'What Could Be' – 5-10 mins.*** ***(You won't have to feed back on this)***	Slide 19 Imagine a time in the future

		Facilitator to use the text in the right hand column	Imagine, at that point, your New Worshipping Community has taken off and is thriving, maybe even beyond your wildest expectations. How does that feel? And now, in your mind's eye, imagine Jesus knocking at your door – he tells you he wants you to take him to see what has grown, to learn what has happened, to meet some of the people who have been impacted, to hear the stories. How do you respond? What does he say to you? You set out together to show him and introduce him to people. Picture the walk together – where do you take him? What does he say to you as you walk? What do you say to him? How are you feeling? As you arrive, what do you tell him? Picture the look on his face – what does he ask you? Describe what has happened to him – picture his face as you tell him – what are you most proud of – what are you most surprised about – what are you most delighted by? How does he respond? Is there anything you want to ask him? What does he say? He asks if you can introduce him to some of the people who have been getting to know him for the first time since your New Worshipping Community started – he'd love to listen to them. Who do you

			introduce him to? What do they tell him? How do you feel as you listen to their conversation? What are the expressions on their faces? How does Jesus respond to them? Look into his face – what does it tell you about what you've just shown him? He's going to head off soon, but first, he asks if there's anything else you would like to tell him or ask him? Do that now. How does he respond? What else might he say to you? As he leaves, how does he say goodbye? What are his parting words? You say goodbye to him and set off back towards your home. What goes through your mind as you ponder over all that has just happened? I'll give you a moment more before we come back together.
10 mins	Identifying what's possible in each context **"What Could Be"**	***Discussion as a Local Team*** – Encourage teams to note down their dreams about their initiative/project/idea and to let God expand their possibilities Teams to make notes!	Slide 20
15 mins	Reviewing next steps for Local Teams **"What Will Be"**	***What Will Be – in Local Teams*** Time in groups to explore, from all that you've discussed and reflected on: What next steps do you plan to take? Who is doing what? When will you do it?	Slide 21 Flipchart paper and pens

		Encourage teams to get their diaries out and make this really practical. The teams will also need to prepare to share their plans with the other teams. When you meet your coach online, they will ask about these targets, plans and ideas. You may want to provide them with flipchart paper	
15 mins	Identifying each other's vision and next steps, to build accountability & commitment to doing the actions planned, and for each team to be prayed for. **"What Will Be"**	***'What Will Be' – Local Teams share their next steps with the whole Greenhouse.*** 3 mins max per team Invite other teams to write a prayer for the team on a post-it after each report out.	Slide 22
2 mins	Closing Prayers		Slide 23
2 mins	Next date		Slide 24