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Bill -

Please see below an email request from me to the graduates/residents of New City Network. As a part of the evaluation process for New City Network, do you think you could also provide a financial summary of the support that MBC provides to New City Network each year + how that money is spent each year by New City Network? They are an integrated auxiliary, but I don't know how much of that information is accessible. I'm just trying to gather as much info as possible.

I'll put my notes below from our initial meeting with Clint, as this may help provide some direction as well.

Thanks, Bill.

Wade

#### MY NOTES FROM MEETING WITH CLINT:

New City Network was started in 2016. It exists directly alongside Send D.C. (a NAMB initiative). The budget contributions from NAMB to Send are for specific purposes (assessment, materials, etc.) There are no restrictions on the money that MBC provides to New City Network.

All of the residents (or almost all) are Send-approved church planters who want to plant a church that is affiliated with the SBC. In other words, there are no players who are only with MBC or only with Send. There is full overlap in SEND/NCN for the residents.

The staff does have more of a division of accountability. Some work for SEND and others work for the MBC side of New City Network.

Clint works for both, but NAMB pays Clint full-time. MBC gives their general donation each year to the New City Network, and then also gives an additional monthly contribution to a non-profit that Clint founded called Gospel Legacy. Around \$4,500/month. (My note: not sure who the board might be for Gospel Legacy or what the accountability is for this money.)

MBC does give to the Cooperative Program of the SBC. For a time, New City Network gave an additional amount to the Cooperative Program on behalf of MBC, but that ended in 2017.

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Wade Burnett <wade@churchleadershipgroup.com>  
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**Date:** March 6, 2020 at 8:39:10 AM CST  
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Dear Church Planters -

As you likely know, McLean Bible Church has been through a number of transitions since New City Network was established. The current senior leadership of the church recently engaged me as a consultant to help with preparing the church for a new season, and part of my work includes getting a complete picture of a number of different key ministries. One of the areas where we want to make sure we have a clear and accurate picture is in the area of church planting.

Over the next week, it would help us tremendously if you could take just a few minutes and email me back with your answers to the following five questions. I will not be sharing your answers with anyone beyond the senior leadership of McLean Bible Church, so please feel complete freedom to be as candid and as accurate as possible.

Thanks so much, guys. If we could get your feedback by next Friday, March 13th, that would help me out tremendously.

Wade Burnett  
The Church Leadership Group

#### YOUR EXPERIENCE WITH NEW CITY NETWORK:

1. How did you come to find out about the New City Network? What caused you to commit to the residency?

2. How would you describe your current church plant and your overall personal experience as a church planter?
3. In your experience, what were the most helpful aspects of the New City Network process (assessment, training, peer networking, etc.)?
4. In your experience, what were the frustrating aspects of the New City Network process?
5. Would you recommend the New City Network to a friend? Why or why not?