

GOD'S HEARTBEAT
FOR OUR PURPOSE



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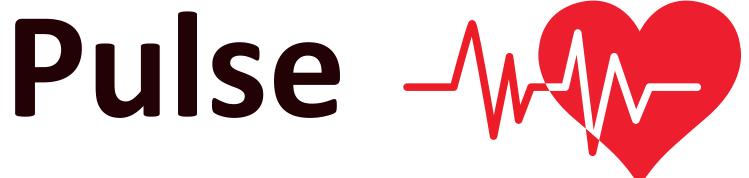




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"Recruiting and connecting"

The evangelistic function involves the proclamation of the good news at the core of the church's message.

Evangelism is all about the core message and its reception in the hearts of people and cultures.

The evangelist is the storyteller, the all-important recruiter to the cause.





"Developing and deepening relationships"

Shepherding is the calling responsible for maintaining and developing healthy community and relationships.

A commitment to nurture spiritual maturity, maintain communal health, defend the community against breakdown.





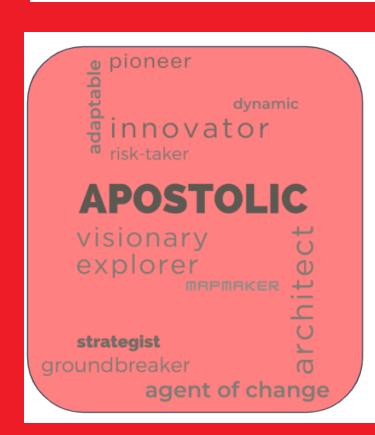
"Questioning and embodying"

The prophetic is the function tasked with maintaining loyalty and faithfulness to God above all.

Prophets are guardians of the covenant relationship that God has with his people.

NOT simply future prediction





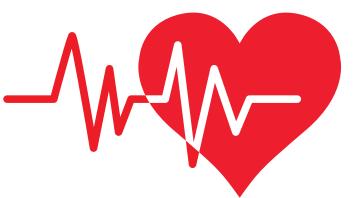
"Sending and extending"

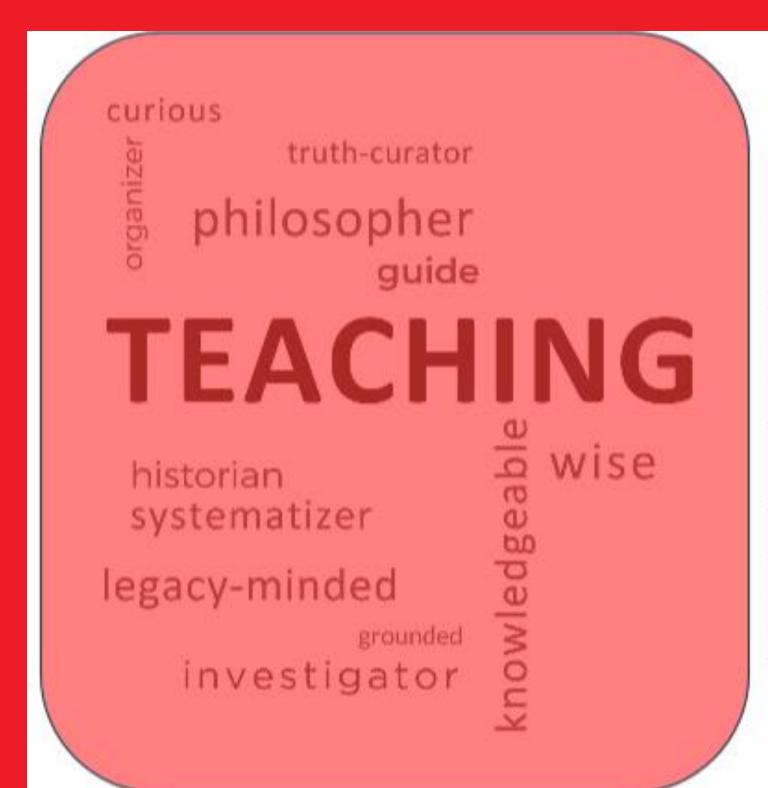
It takes care and responsibility for the ongoing integrity of the core ideas, the DNA, organizational principles, overview across the organization.

Ephesians 2:20-22









"Training and Understanding"

Concerned with the passing on of wisdom & understanding.

Bringing a comprehensive understanding of the revelation given to the church.

It is a guiding and discerning function with wisdom emphasised.







Who has the teaching gift?



"Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts" Colossians 3:16



- 1. Do you love to share ideas and knowledge with others?
- 2. Do people often come to you for insight and explanation?
- 3. Do you love studying and researching?
- 4. Do you often feel the need to go deeper and broader when you are studying and researching?



Disciplined

Practical

Authoritative

Perceptive

Articulate

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- · Who has the teaching gift?
- How should the teaching gift be used?



"The world has had its great teachers, people of giant intellect and extensive research, people whose utterances have stimulated thought and opened vast fields of knowledge...but there is One who stands higher than they. We can trace the line of the world's teachers as far back as human records extend, but the Light was before them" **E White**



OLD TESTAMENT

Yara [h'r"y] = To point out

Lamad [d;m'l] = To provoke or stimulate



NEW TESTAMENT

Didasko [didavskw] = To impart knowledge

Matheteuo [maqhteuvw] = To train disciples

Parangello [paraggevllw] = To command/ declare

Paradido [paradivdw] = To hand down tradition



Didasko = To impart knowledge

Then He added, "Pay close attention to what you hear. The closer you listen, the more understanding you will be given and you will receive even more. To those who listen to my teaching, more understanding will be given"

Mark 4:24-25



Parangello = To command, to declare

"Jesus and his companions went to the town of Capernaum. When the Sabbath day came, he went into the synagogue and began to teach. The people were amazed at his teaching, for he taught with real authority, quite unlike the teachers of religious law" Mark 1: 21-22



Lamad = To provoke or stimulate

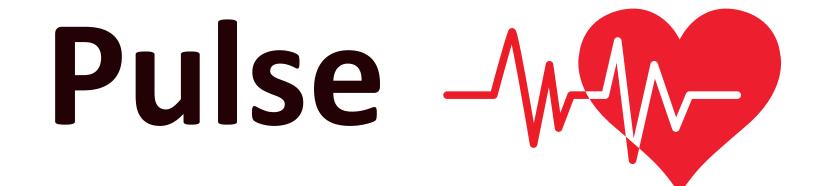
"They were trying to trap Him into saying something they could use against him, but Jesus stooped down and wrote in the dust with his finger. They kept demanding an answer, so He stood up again and said, "All right, but let the one who has never sinned throw the first stone!" John 8:6-7



Matheteuo = To train disciples

"Then Jesus climbed a hill and sat down with his disciples around Him"

John 6:3



Paradido = To hand down tradition

"In everything set them an example by doing what is good. In your teaching show integrity, seriousness and soundness of speech that cannot be condemned, so that those who oppose you may be ashamed because they have nothing bad to say about us"

Titus 2:7-8



- Who has the teaching gift?
- How should the teaching gift be used?
- What does the teaching gift bring to the church?



What does the teaching gift bring to the church?

Anchored in Truth, Growing in Love

Ephesians 4:14-15



1. TEACHING ANCHORS US

- "We are no longer children tossed by waves" (v.14).
- We live in a world full of shifting ideas and ideologies.
- Paul calls us to be grounded, discerning, and growing in Christ.
- In Ephesus, believers faced a mix of paganism, mysticism, and false teaching.
- Today, teaching helps us stay anchored in Christ amidst cultural confusion and digital noise.
- Without teaching, easy to drift with every new idea.



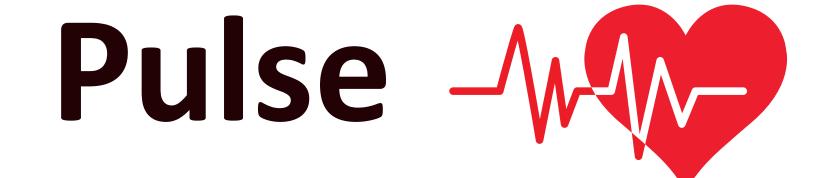
2. TEACHING TRAINS US IN DISCERNMENT

- "...carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning..."
- False doctrines don't always look wrong they can be clever and appealing.
- Teaching opens our eyes to possible deception, sharpens our ability to test everything by Scripture.
- Discernment is key in our multicultural, media filled world.



3. TEACHING GROWS US INTO CHRISTLIKENESS

- "We grow up into Christ, who is the Head" (v.15).
- Teaching shapes both our character and conduct.
- Sound doctrine unites the Church under Christ.
- True teaching doesn't just fill our heads; it forms our hearts and transforms our lives.
- Paul emphasises maturity-being shaped into Christ's image.
- In a diverse church, sound teaching unites us under one HEAD-JESUS.



4. TEACHING BUILDS TRUTH + LOVE TOGETHER

- "Speaking the truth in love..." (v.15).
- Truth without love is harsh; love without truth is hollow.
- Teaching builds communities rooted in grace and truth.
- Teaching equips us to stand for truth without arrogance, and to love without compromising.



HOW DO WE RESPOND?

"Remember not the former things, nor consider the things of old. Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?"

Isaiah 43:18-19

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