

CHECKLIST FOR ESTABLISHING A MISSION CHURCH

I Establishing a Mission Church

- A. Petition to plant a mission church approved by presbytery (BCO 5-2).
- B. Presbytery provides a temporary system of government (BCO 5-3)
- C. Pastoral ministry provided by presbytery (BCO 5-4).
- D. Church members received by temporary government (BCO 12-5a & 57).
- E. Potential officers identified, nominated, trained, and examined following the procedures in BCO 24.
- F. Election of Officers (Normally 2 weeks before the organization service.) BCO 5-9d.
- G. Election of a Pastor (See BCO 5-9f)
- H. Presbytery approves the membership petition to organize (BCO 5-9g).
- I. Presbytery appoints an organizing commission and sets the date and time of the organization service (BCO 5-9h).

II Organization Service (BCO 5-9i)

- A. Ordination and Installation of Officers.
- B. Ordination and installation of a Pastor (If necessary).
- C. Membership Covenant
- D. Declaration of Organization