

Gospel Gap Paradigm Checklist

1. A circuit pastor or congregational representative presents a circuit meeting with an idea for Gospel outreach or congregational sustainability within the geographic area of the circuit.
2. The circuit pastors investigate the possibility and report back to the next circuit meeting.
3. The circuit pastors agree to present the mission possibility in a circuit forum where there are both pastors and lay representatives from each of the circuit congregations.
4. The circuit forum adopts the Gospel Gap project by majority vote.
5. A primary circuit congregation is selected that will lead within the circuit. This congregation will promote the Gospel Gap project, handle the financial aspect of the mission project, and maintain communication to the other congregations in the circuit.
6. Among the pastors and lay leaders of the circuit there will be selected, a chairman who will co-ordinate the project, a secretary who will keep records and facilitate communication with the circuit congregations and the Rocky Mountain District, and a treasurer who will manage the finances of the project.
7. Each congregation will submit an estimate of financial and material support to the project chairman.
8. If funds are not sufficient for the project within the circuit an application may be submitted to the Rocky Mountain District requesting a portion of the cost to serve as “seed money” to begin the project.
9. Each circuit can submit only one Gospel Gap request each calendar year. Applications must arrive in the Rocky Mountain District office by April 1. This submission date is effective starting in the year 2021.
10. Applications for the Rocky Mountain District financial support may be made in the second and third year of the project and may be granted in declining amounts.
11. Reports should be submitted to the District on a quarterly basis if continued financial support is expected from the District.