Church Planting Process

In the TEBA

Prayer	Every work of God begins and is fueled by prayer. Developing a significant prayer life is crucial for your personal growth and to birth an effective church plant.
Application	You will be asked to go online and complete a Church Planter Application. This is a first step in our getting to know you and how we can prayerfully come alongside you in your journey.
Assessment	The Assessment takes place after we have received your application and have reviewed it. You will be invited to be part of an Assessment Retreat hosted by either the TEBA or a Partner State Convention.
Next Steps	After participating in the Assessment Retreat you will participate in forming a strategy determining your Next Steps in your Church Planting Journey. This is to ensure your best path toward a successful plant.
Training	Every Church Planter is required to be part of a Church Planter Training Cohort focused on the 12 Competencies of a Church Planter. This training consists of 11 Sessions over a 6-8 month time period.
Identification	You know God has called you to plant but do you know where? Through a process of location development you will discover opportunities for targeted locations for Gospel Saturation.
Coaching	Every Church Planter needs a Church Planting Coach. A Coach will help you discover God's direction and help you to discover answers to questions of how to increase your own personal effectiveness.
Connections	Relationships are the key to healthy partnerships with other cooperating churches and your Church Planting Partners. You will learn how to initiate, cultivate and maintain healthy connections.
Funding	How do you discover resources needed for a Church Plant? You will learn how to identify, discover, develop and grow the resources needed for a Church Plant to grow and thrive.
Strategy	What type of Church Plant will this be? Are you starting a Missional, Attractional, Cowboy, Biker, Traditional, Contemporary or some other Church Model? We will help you form and execute your strategy.
Partnership	The heartbeat of Southern Baptist life is cooperating partnership. We all can do more together than we can on our own. You will learn how to build healthy partnerships with other churches who are part of your local Association.
Launch In	A Church Plant will generally have a period of time prior to its Public Launch to develop its Core Group and to train its Leadership. This is an important time of maturing of the Vision of the Church Plant into the hearts of the Launch Team.
Launch Out	The Public Launch of the Church Plant is an exciting time of seeing all the hard work of the prior months come into fulfillment. The timing and effectiveness of the initial public services creates a directional arc for the Church Plant.
Maturation	The development of a Missional Discipleship model in the developing Christ followers is systemic in a Church Plant. It is in the reaching and growing of people that a Church Plant finds itself fulfilling God's purpose for the Church Plant.
Multipication	Churches plant Churches. From its inception a Church Plant is responsible to help in planting future Church Plants. Within 18 months of its first Public Launch a Church Plant will be invited to be part of a Catalytic Partnership.