

HOW DO I KNOW IF I'M THE RIGHT LEADER FOR OUR EVANGELISM TEAM?

DISCERNING THE RIGHT PERSON TO LEAD AN E-TEAM



Discerning the right person to lead an E-Team is crucial. As a leader holds a significant level of influence in shaping their church's culture of evangelism, so the E-Team leader carries a significant level of influence in how churches in their city are encouraged in evangelism.

We believe it is important to take time for self-reflection and seek the feedback of others on the prospective E-Team leader. This resource guides leaders through the reflection process.

It is helpful to ask these questions in the discernment process:

- 1| Do I have a personal passion for those in my city to know Christ, and do I have current stories of practicing evangelism in my own life?
- 2| Am I known as someone who promotes others' agendas over my agendas?
- 3| Do I invest in relationships with Christian leaders from different church traditions and seek to strengthen communication between these traditions?
- 4| Do I understand my city's history (i.e., governmentally, socially, economically, spiritually, etc.) and the questions those in my city are currently asking?
- 5| When I invite people of influence to a meeting, do they come?
- 6| Do I have deep relationships with Christian leaders in my city whom I can invite to join an E-Team or who could refer team members?
- 7| Do I have the capacity to coordinate quarterly meetings for a team? Or, do I know someone to whom I can delegate these logistical responsibilities?
- 8| Do I have a strong personal relationship with the Lord that allows me to lead others from a place of health and humility?

Through this process, some may realize they are not the right person to lead the E-Team and that is okay. It is important to note that while someone may not be the right person to lead a citywide E-Team, they may know someone who is a good fit. Furthermore, E-Teams are teams. This means though someone might not be the ideal fit to lead the group, they may still be a great addition to the team.

We encourage leaders to reach out to our team at the Luis Palau Association for feedback as they figure out whether they are a good fit to be an E-Team leader. We also can connect people to other E-Team leaders around the country who can provide perspective on what it is like to start and lead a team.



PRO TIP:

In some cities, two or more organizations or individuals will co-lead the E-Team. While there can be challenges to co-leading a team, there are advantages as well. Two advantages are (1) they are modeling the collaboration they are encouraging other local leaders to emulate, and (2) they have a larger relational network when they work together.