

Three Eras of Church Growth*

	Golden Era of Denominationalism	New Permission Era	Missional Reorientation Era	Future Church Era
	<i>1960-1980</i>	<i>1980-2000</i>	<i>2000-2020</i>	<i>2020-2040</i>
Church Identity	Teaching Center with doctrinal legitimacy and faith family membership	Teaching Center with applicable truth and ministry involvement	Teaching Center with the shift to be the church not just go to church	???
Attraction Driver	Heritage option	Relevant option	Community option	???
Rally Cry	Best church in the tribe	Best church for the times	Best church for the city	???
Ministry Focus	Inside the church	Inside the church	Outside the church	???
Evangelism Paradigm	Disciple = representative	Disciple = inviter	Disciple = missionary	???
Program Philosophy	More is more	Less is more	Out is more	???
Worship Promise	Provide liturgy	Provide relevance	Provide encounter	???
Connection Vehicle	Sunday school	Small group	Missional community	???
Retention Method	Full service	Customer service	Serve the city	???
Maturity Mindset	Program activity	Assimilation funnel	Living sent	???

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