

**2018 Grant Application – Innovation Awards**

Date:

Name/Location of Church:

Address of Church:

Name of Pastor/Contact Person(s):

Contact Information: Preferred Phone:

Preferred E-mail:

Population of Community Served:

Church Membership:

Average Worship Attendance:

Average Ministry Touches Per Week:

Please attach Innovation Plan (see attached)

Request Approved and Commitment to Report in 2019 made by Church Governing Board:

Date:

Name and Signature:

Submitted by:

Date:

Name and Signature:

Office held:

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For Vital Growth Team

Award Ranking \_\_\_\_\_ for \$\_\_\_\_\_

Award Not Approved (Reason):

## Innovation Plan

Innovation begins with your personal conviction:

- You recognize a need that exists - **Inspiration**
- You "see" the solution - **Vision**
- A conviction grows within you that this need must be met – **Determination**
- You take steps to begin the solution - **Action**

**Inspiration:** Tell us about the need(s) that this "project" will meet.

You may include demographic information from MissionInsite

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or other information that demonstrates a **compelling need**.

**Vision:** Tell us about this "project". How does it meet the need that you see? What would we see if we walked into the middle of this project being implemented? Who is there? What are they doing? How is this project innovative? What is new?

**Determination:** What are you willing to do to make sure that this need is met? Include all funding sources, people resources, and other appropriate resources or gifts brought to the project.

**Action:** Share your step by step plan for this project. Include timelines, benchmarks, budget, staffing, other fundraising ideas and evaluation of effect on the need.

**Firm Due Date: August 23, 2018**

Please send grant applications to:

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