

CHRIST UNIVERSAL CHURCH
(The Difference Between A Traditional Church & A Cell Church)
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EVANGELISM

A traditional church - believes in programmed evangelism. This includes house to house evangelism, mass crusades, concerts, etc. Evangelism happens only when scheduled or programmed.

A cell church church - believes in relational evangelism. Sharing one's faith happens naturally through friendships. It is sensitive to the needs & hopes of the pre-believer; it is not confrontational.

SERVICE

A traditional church - ministry rests on a few people who have been trained in formal and long-term Bible schools.

A cell church - all members see themselves as full-time ministers and are trained through local in-house Bible Schools. Everyone is expected to serve in the congregation and in the local community.

LEADERSHIP STYLE

A traditional pastor - takes on the role of a doting caregiver: He or she "protects" the congregation by carrying almost all the workload of the church. The pastor derives fulfillment from being the primary DOER of ministry for the congregation. One Head leadership

A cell church pastor - takes on the role of an empowering equipper. He or she models healthy ministry and tough love. The pastor is always looking for others to develop. He or she finds fulfillment in seeing others become fruitful. Team Leadership.

FOCUS

A traditional church - focuses on adding members.

A cell church - focuses on multiplying leaders.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

A traditional church - leadership development focuses on the head: training and more training until you've earned a DIPLOMA or DEGREE.

A cell church - leadership training focuses on the feet: a little modeling and orientation, and then you're actively DEPLOYED to learn as you go.

GOALS & PRIORITIES

A traditional church - counts the number of members attending Sunday worship and other gatherings during the week.

A cell church - counts the number of leaders functioning and the number of ministries being led by its members.

MEASURES FOR SUCCESS

A traditional church - scorecard defines success by the

- Number of attenders at services
- Number of programs offered
- Amount of church income
- Size of church facilities

A cell church - scorecard defines success by the maturity of its people :

- How are members growing in Christ-Like Character
 - Biblical Wisdom
 - Gift-Based Service
 - Spirit-Filled Living