**Types of Missional Engagement and Missional Support**

Things a congregational expression or missional community can do to engage in and support the *Missio Dei* (Mission of God) in two categories – **PME**: Personalized Missional Engagement and **DMS**: Detached Missional Support. Both are an essential part of being missional. However, PME actions are the only ones that will transform the ministry of congregational expressions and missional communities.

DMS actions may be true of faithful congregations, but they fall short of fulfilling

the Great Commission in the spirit of the Great Commandment.

1. **Helping Specific People Become Fully Devoted Followers of Christ (PME):** The process of helping Christian mature in their faith and action to live a significant Christian life surrendered to Christ.

* **General Example:** A focused discipleship process in a congregational expression or missional community that seeks to help Christian to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.
* **What are some specific examples of this in your congregational expression or missional community?**

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1. **Helping Specific People Become Followers of Jesus (PME):** The process (even event) of conversion whereby a person accepts Jesus Christ as their personal Lord and Savior.

* **General Example:** When a person receives Jesus as their personal Lord and Savior, connects with a congregational expression, and gives testimony to their new life through baptism.
* **What are some specific examples of this in your congregational expression or missional community?**

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1. **Having Gospel Conversations with Specific People (PME):** The sharing of a personal story of journey as a Christian by a Christian to a preChristian that invites them to accept Jesus as their personal Lord and Savior.

* **General Example:** When a person shares their personal story of Jesus and life as a Christian with a preChristian or lost person in a way that invites the person(s) to whom they are speaking to receive Jesus as their personal Lord and Savior.
* **What are some specific examples of this in your congregational expression or missional community?**

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1. **Developing Authentic and Genuine Ongoing Christ-Like Relationships with Specific People (PME):** The process of sharing yourself with specific people based on the unconditional love of God in Jesus Christ and gaining the privilege to share your story of Jesus with them.

* **General Example:** When a Christian seeks to develop authentic and genuine relationships with specific people who are preChristians or lost so that at the proper time they can share their person story of Jesus and life as a Christian.
* **What are some specific examples of this in your congregational expression or missional community?**

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1. **Addressing Life Spiritual Needs of Specific People (PME):** Helping people who are spiritual seekers engage in conversations about their spiritual life and to come to a better understand of who God is in their lives.

* **General Example:** When a Christian discovers a spiritual need of a specific person or people group and seeks to engage them in spiritual conversations as a cultivation of this or these persons that may eventually point them to God and provide opportunities for authentic and genuine Christ-like relationships and gospel conversations.
* **What are some specific examples of this in your congregational expression or missional community?**

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1. **Addressing Life Social and Educational Needs of Specific People (PME):** Engaging in event or ongoing programs, ministries, and activities that address the social and educational needs of people out of the commitment to love other unconditionally.

* **General Example:** When a Christian discovers a spiritual need of a specific person or people group and seeks to engage them in conversations or a program, ministry, or activity that addresses their social and educational needs as a cultivation of this or these persons that may eventually point them to God and provide opportunities for authentic and genuine Christ-like relationships and gospel conversations.
* **What are some specific examples of this in your congregational expression or missional community?**

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1. **Equipping Yourself to Engage in Personal Ministry Engagement “As You Go” to Specific People and People Groups (PME):** Responding to the call of God upon your life as a Christian to prepare yourself to be a Christian witness to specific people “as you go.”

* **General Example:** When a Christian determines that God is calling them to be more personally missionally engaged, but they are not sure they know how so they engage in programs, ministries, and activities to equip them for personal ministry engagement.
* **What are some specific examples of this in your congregational expression or missional community?**

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1. **Praying for Specific People and People Groups Whom You Know About Life Spiritual Needs (PME):** This is where a Christian prays for specific people that they and/or others are seeking to cultivate spiritual relationship with so that through authentic and genuine loving relationships the opportunity for a gospel conversation might arise.

* **General Example:** When a Christian seeks to partner with specific people involved in personal missional engagement, by regularly asking how they can pray for specific situations or opportunities and specific people by name who are the object of personal missional engagement.
* **What are some specific examples of this in your congregational expression or missional community?**

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***Personal Missional Engagement is Above This Life***

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***Detached Missional Support is Below This Life***

1. **Supporting (Financially or with Commodities) Someone Else in Addressing Life Spiritual Needs (DMS):** This is where a Christian does not or cannot go themselves and they support others with finances or commodities who are engaging in addressing the spiritual needs of specific people or people groups.

* **General Example:** When a Christian provides money or commodities to people or ministries they know who are specifically involved in programs, ministries, and activities to engage specific people or people groups at the point of their spiritual needs.
* **What are some specific examples of this in your congregational expression or missional community?**

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1. **Supporting (Financially or with Commodities) Someone Else in Addressing Life Social and Educational Needs (DMS):** This is where a Christian does not or cannot go themselves and they support others with finances or commodities who are engaging in addressing the social and educational needs of specific people or people groups and cultivating an authentic and genuine relationship with them that may lead to gospel conversations.

* **General Example:** When a Christian provides money or commodities to people or ministries they know who are specifically involved in programs, ministries, and activities to engage specific people or people groups at the point of their social and educational needs that may lead to the opportunity to address their spiritual needs.
* **What are some specific examples of this in your congregational expression or missional community?**

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1. **Praying for Specific People and Ministries Who are Addressing Life Spiritual, Social, and Educational Needs of Others (DMS):** This is where a Christian does not or cannot go themselves but they offer prayer support to others who are engaging in addressing the spiritual, social, and educational needs of specific people or people groups, and cultivating an authentic and genuine relationship with them that may lead to gospel conversations.

* **General Example:** When a Christian seeks to partner with specific people and ministries involved in personal missional engagement, by regularly praying in general for their Christian ministry and its fruitfulness, but not for specific people to whom they are ministering.
* **What are some specific examples of this in your congregational expression or missional community?**

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1. **Providing Resources (Finances or Commodities) for the General Support of Personal Missional Engagement (DMS):** This is where people provide finances or commodities to support general missional causes, but they are not exactly sure to whom it goes and how the witness is carried out.

* **General Example:** When a Christian contributes finances or commodities to the general support of personal missional engagement, but not really knowing exactly what ministry and where their financial and commodities contributions go and who they impact.
* **What are some specific examples of this in your congregational expression or missional community?**

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1. **Praying in for the General Support of People and Ministries of Personal Missional Engagement (DMS):** This is where people provide prayer support to general missional causes, but they are not exactly sure who is carrying out this personal missional engagement.

* **General Example:** When a Christian provides general prayer support for personal missional engagement, but not really knowing exactly what ministry and for whom they are praying and who they are impacting.
* **What are some specific examples of this in your congregational expression or missional community?**

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