

*“The Mission Leadership Team* is a book that every church mission leader should read. It is biblical, thorough, rich with helpful resources, and extremely practical. It also reflects changes in the way local churches operate. David’s advice will help mission teams of all shapes and sizes to clarify their purpose, stay focused, and efficiently and wisely accomplish their God-given responsibilities. It will cause you to rethink how your mission team is run to make it even better.”

– Bill Bertsche, *Pastor of Global Missions, The Moody Church, Chicago, IL*

“Where does the church in North America fit in this new era of a globalized church? And how do we invite the person-in-the-pew to get involved? In this clearly written guide for church leaders, David Mays suggests ideas and changes for every church family desirous of doing their part in making disciples in all the nations. If you are interested in making your fellowship more missional, read this book!”

– Paul Borthwick, *Senior Consultant, Development Associates International and author of How to be a World-Class Christian*

“No one in America is more respected than Dr. David Mays when it comes to resourcing the local church in world missions. David’s latest resource, *The Mission Leadership Team*, is a helpful, detailed handbook for any sized church to follow in structuring or re-structuring its global ministry team. With great footnotes, appendices, and a clearly laid out format, this book is sure to be the standard for the next decade for any church wanting to energize its volunteer team for mobilizing a congregation in an Acts 1:8 strategy.”

Dr. Monroe “Monnie” Brewer, *President, National Association of Missions Pastors, Director of Church Connections, CrossGlobal Link*

“The local congregation is the foundational means by which the people of the world will be reached with the gospel of Jesus Christ. David Mays has captured for us the relational, organizational, and functional principles by which the task becomes manageable and achievable. These principles, with cultural adjustments, will fit and work in any ethnic context. *The Mission Leadership Team* shows the heart of a Churchman, a missions statesman, and a practitioner. I strongly urge every church to work through this guide, whether participating in missions for years or just starting out—whether re-evaluating or developing a new venture—this work is the guiding tool for which you have been looking.”

– Dr. R. Thomas Cheely, *Missions Pastor at the Briarwood Presbyterian Church (PCA) of Birmingham, AL*

“David has once again pulled together the information all mission pastors need to help them establish a great leadership team, or to confirm that they are on track with what is needed to make their team the best that it can be. I appreciate that he has brought us back to the Word as our plumb line to know we are going in the right direction. This handbook is a must for everyone serving in the role of mission pastor.”

– Liz Gold, *Missions Director at Calvary Church of Santa Ana, CA*

“Most of us serving the church in its mission ministry have had to learn from one another, looking for examples and models from people a little farther down the road than we were. Few seminaries and other formal training institutions offer sound theologically based, yet practical instruction on the task of mission leadership in the local church. Similarly there is a dearth of written resources for such leaders. David Mays has offered in this book a wealth of information and knowledge gained over years of observing and interacting with mission-engaged churches of a wide variety. For anyone desiring to effectively organize and lead a church in strategic mission ministry this book will prove to be an excellent reference manual.”

– Dave Hall, *Outreach Ministries Pastor, Emmanuel Faith Community Church, Escondido, CA*

“David has written a book on what David does best, providing the church with the tools it needs to make disciples of all nations. You will find within its pages the resources and locations of resources to best lead your church in missions. You also will be highly challenged to think through the why, what, where, who and how questions regarding the mission direction of your church. Read it and apply it to your context.”

– Bruce Huseby, *Pastor of Global Ministries, Calvary Church, Grand Rapids, MI*

“David Mays has provided the church with a practical step-by-step guide in setting up a mission leadership team to help guide your church through the process of more effectively engaging in the over-arching mission of the church, namely the taking of the “good news” to every part of the world. This book is full of ideas, helpful suggestions and specific action plans and I am confident that your church will benefit from this much needed resource.”

– Wade Landers, *Global Outreach Minister, College Heights Christian Church, Adjunct Professor of Intercultural Studies, Ozark Christian College, Joplin, MO*

“There is probably no one better qualified to write this book than David Mays. David’s twenty-five years of reading hundreds of books, teaching hundreds of classes and consulting with hundreds of churches have given him the platform to write a book that is comprehensive, clear and extremely practical. Every leadership team will be greatly helped in unity, clarity and effectiveness by discussing each topic and then working through the exercises. This is a very valuable resource for newbies as well as those with many years of experience in missions leadership.”

– David Niednagel, *Senior Pastor, Christian Fellowship Church, Evansville, IN*

“Years of experience and great wisdom have allowed David Mays to put together a step-by-step process to evaluate and prepare your mission leadership team for greater, more effective Kingdom impact!”

– Mike Neukum, *Global Missions Director,  
Bent Tree Bible Fellowship Church, Carrollton, TX*

“David Mays has provided an amazing resource for church mission teams. Few people have the ability to give practical detailed guidance, while at the same time writing about the cutting edge issues in missions. David Mays is not only one of the most well read people I’ve met, he also overflows with realistic wisdom and helpful resources from years of experience working with sending churches. Thanks David for this remarkable book.”

– Jim Plueddemann, *Professor, Missions & Evangelism, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Former International Director, SIM, author of Leading Across Cultures*

“David Mays knows more about how North American churches engage in missions than anyone I know. Every church can benefit from the ideas he presents in *The Mission Leadership Team* and use them to carefully evaluate and improve their mission vision, structures and practices.”

– Bruce Wilson, *Missions Pastor, College Church, Wheaton, IL*

“For many, missions has gotten a little faded and dusty around the edges. A fresh perspective is needed. David Mays’ book helps us see how every member (and staff member) has a vital part to play in the Great Commission. By partnering together we can advance the gospel.”

– George Beals, *Pastor of Global Ministries,  
Central Wesleyan Church, Holland, MI*