

## Missions Fest Governance

As a Missions Fest™ conference develops, various bodies of people play a vital role in the governance of this project. All bodies need not be created at the beginning but as the project grows, all these bodies will become important

- A. The Churches** in a given city and nearby region are the initiators and the primary players in the forming of a Missions Fest™ conference. They represent a variety of denominations/confessions and participate directly in the management of the Missions Fest™ conference through their appointed representatives who serve as volunteers.
- B. The Management Planning Team** consists of church representatives that plan and organize the Missions Fest™ conference. It consists of several departments needed to take care of all the planning of the conference. The team will need to nominate a leader to chair their meetings. This Team is responsible to the Churches that appointed them, for decisions made.
- C. The Not-for-Profit Society**, registered with the province or state of a country, is a necessary, legal step for the protection of the participants of the Missions Fest™ conference and to ensure that all transactions conducted by the participants are legal, honest, fair and of excellent repute. All directors of this society must first be church representatives. All church representatives should become members of this society.
- D. The Board of Directors**, elected from among members of the Management Team (and the society), give general oversight to the policies of management and the financial operation of the Missions Fest™ conference. The directors also appoint the manager of the Missions Fest™ conference. The Board of Directors is directly responsible to the Management Team for decisions made.
- E. The Board of Reference** consists of leaders within the community who are able to advise the management of the Missions Fest™ conference and be invited to provide insight when needed. The Board of Reference is invited to meet with members of the Board of Directors and management team members annually for update on developments and general input.
- F. Staff.** If a Missions Fest™ conference grows to the extent that it can have a volunteer staff or paid staff, they would be appointed by the Manager and would be responsible to the Manager for job descriptions and service, not the Board of Directors.