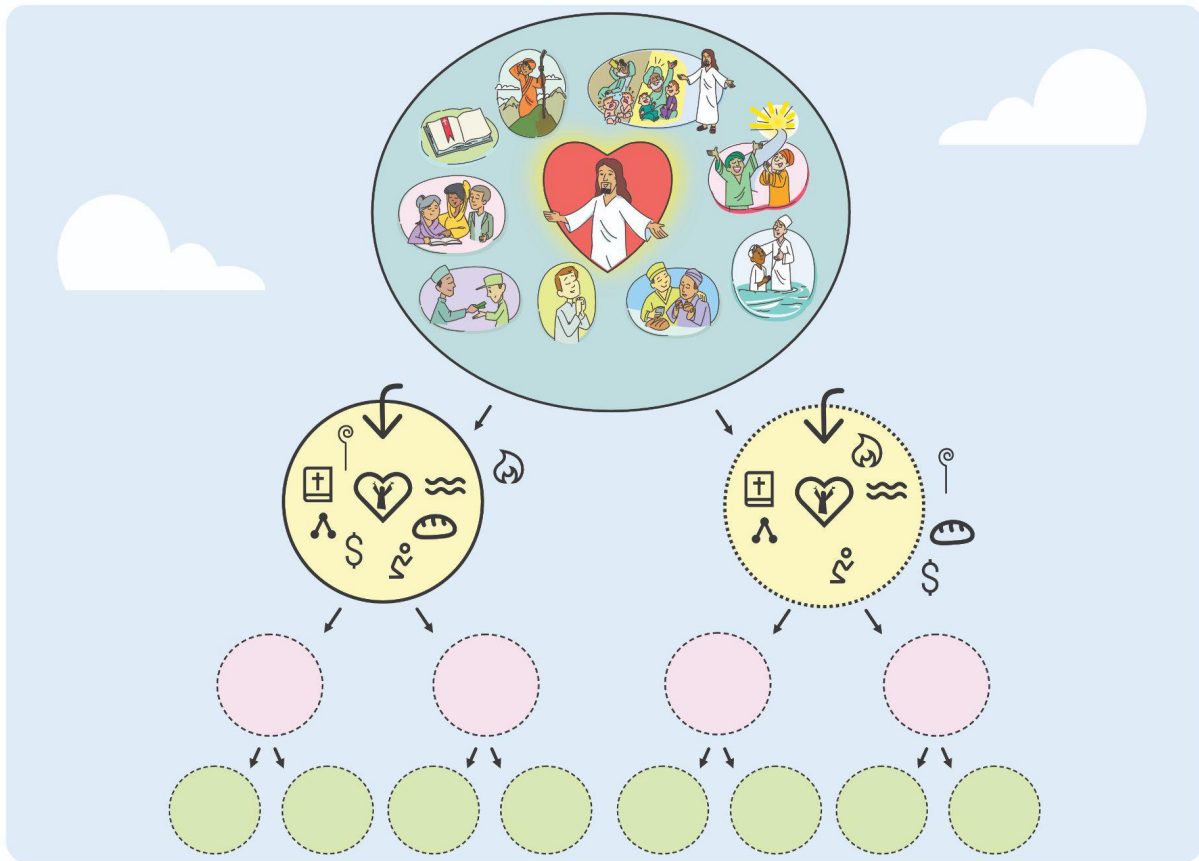


# 49. MULTIPLY: Generational Mapping



Focus	Purpose	Key Message
Tracking the health and multiplication of disciples and churches across multiple generations in a Disciple-making Movement.	To provide a visual tool to monitor multiplication, identify effective leaders, and measure the health and reproducibility of communities to spot areas needing further training.	Generational Mapping shows the health of a movement and ensures discipleship is reproducible, aiming for 4th-generation multiplication.

**Generational Mapping** is a graphical representation, or “family tree,” of a church network or Disciple-Making Movement (DMM). It shows how disciples multiply, leaders are raised, and churches reproduce over multiple generations. The purpose of generational mapping is to track multiplication, identify leaders and churches who are reproducing effectively, and highlight areas that may need additional training or coaching. The benefits of generational mapping include visualizing the health of the movement, creating accountability for multiplication, and helping leaders focus on raising reproducing disciples and leaders.

A **generation** refers to a group of disciples or churches directly started by a specific leader or group—for example, the first generation consists of the disciples trained by

the original leader, the second generation consists of those trained by the first generation, and so on. Each church is represented by its own circle, and lines show who trained or started whom. Generational reproduction is shown by connecting the church circles with a line placing them into their respective generation (ie. 1st gen, 2nd gen, etc). The benchmark for a sustainable, healthy movement is reaching **4th Generation Multiplication** (2 Timothy 2:2), which proves that the process is simple and reproducible enough for anyone to pass on.

**Practice:** Use the icons in the center of the page and the process described in the Church Circle Training (42) to map out the health of each church. Connect the church circles with a line placing them into their respective generation. Every church should be identified as distinct from the others using the church's name, the leader's name and the location/ city.

