



Lausanne Movement
Ministry Fundraising



Ministry Fundraising Issue Network



2025

Growth Reflection

Based on the Lausanne Issue Network Health Framework

Why Health Matters

The health of a network determines its ability to bear fruit that lasts.

The Issue Network Health Assessment exists to help catalysts and your teams reflect prayerfully on the state of your network and discern what the Spirit may be inviting you to nurture next.

This process is not evaluative but formative – an opportunity to pause, celebrate, and re-root in God’s calling.

As the Ministry Fundraising Issue Network participates in this growth reflection, the focus is on deepening vitality, strengthening connections, and extending impact.

Health, in this context, is not static but dynamic: a continuous process of tending the soil, pruning where needed, and rejoicing in new growth.



Understanding the Report

Each assessment question was rated on a 1–5 scale, producing average scores for each area of health. These scores correspond to stages of health that are relevant to Ministry Fundraising’s size and growth stage, and are:



(Your top 3 scores)

Flourishing and healthy



(Your middle 6 scores)

Active growth, but with room for strengthening



(Your bottom 3 scores)

Fragile or underdeveloped, requiring renewed focus

Assessment Summary

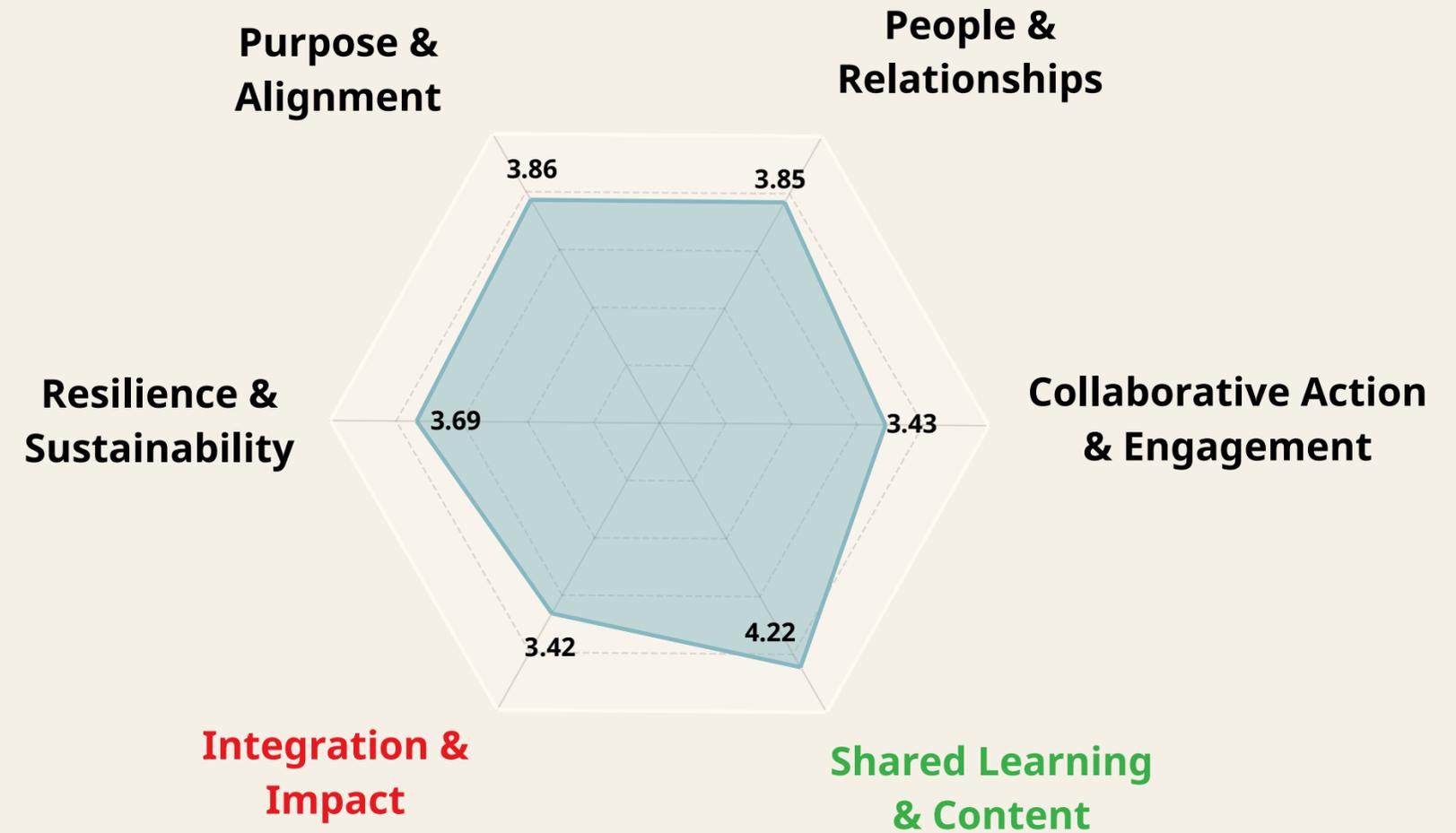
Overall Network Health Status



GROWING

The Ministry Fundraising Network demonstrates meaningful growth, with theological depth and a globally inclusive spirit strengthening its foundation.

Greater consistency in communication, evaluating impact, and innovation will deepen engagement, sustain momentum, and extend its reach and influence.



These numbers reflect the combined scores of the 2 areas of assessment under each dimension of health.





Purpose & Alignment

Spiritual vitality and strategic clarity rooted in God's purposes





Spiritual Vitality

How rooted the network is in prayer, biblical truth, and dependence on the Holy Spirit as the foundation for all vision and collaboration.

STATUS



Living

Average Score

3.86

Range

3.0–4.7

Variance

Low–Moderate

Reflection

Ministry Fundraising demonstrates genuine spiritual depth and dependence on God’s leading, with clear evidence of Spirit-empowered work. However, shared rhythms of prayer and reflection could become more intentional, nurturing deeper unity, discernment, and ongoing alignment with God’s purposes across the community.

Encouragement

Your dependence on God is evident. Strengthen these roots by cultivating regular shared prayer and reflection that keep your collective vision united in God’s leading.



When prayer and dependence on the Spirit anchor your work, every strategy becomes an act of worship and obedience.





Vision & Objectives

The degree to which the network operates with clearly defined, Spirit-aligned purpose and measurable, obtainable objectives that directly contribute to Lausanne's fourfold vision.

STATUS



Living

Average Score

3.86

Range

3.2–5.0

Variance

Low–Moderate

Reflection

Your vision is clear and biblically grounded, uniting members around shared conviction. Objectives and plans lack measurable focus and consistent follow-through, however. Developing Spirit-led, realistic goals and structured accountability will transform inspiring vision into tangible, sustainable progress toward the network's mission.

Encouragement

Your shared vision unites the network. The next step is to clarify goals, set concrete plans, and build accountability to turn vision into sustained impact.



Clarity of purpose gives direction; when your vision is Spirit-led and shared, the network grows with unity and confidence.

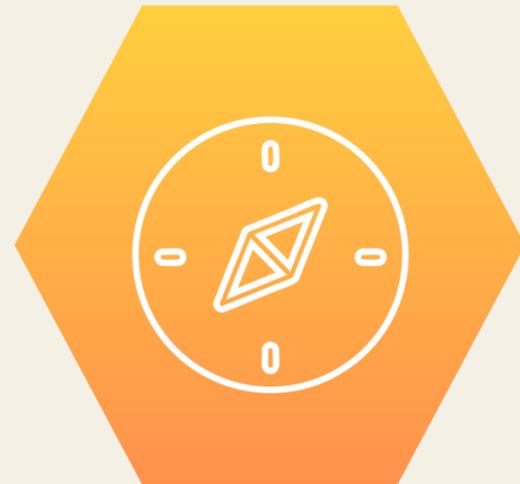


Additional Reflections



Spiritual Atmosphere

Described by words like **vibrant, Spirit-led, peace, anticipation, growing, enhance, present** – revealing a community grounded in God’s presence and expectant for continued growth.



Vision Metaphors

Common imagery included a bridge and a seedling. 🌉🌱
This suggests connection and new growth – linking people and ideas while nurturing emerging life and hope for future fruitfulness.





People & Relationships

Christlike leadership and inclusive, polycentric community with shared values





Leadership & Governance

The effectiveness, integrity, and structure of the network's leadership – how leaders model Christlikeness, provide direction, share decision-making, and uphold good governance.

STATUS



Living

Average Score

3.57

Range

2.8–4.3

Variance

Low–Moderate

Reflection

Leadership demonstrates spiritual depth, collaboration, and competence, fostering trust and accessibility across the network. There is a need for governance systems and accountability processes to have greater clarity, structure, and communication.

Encouragement

You are cultivating humble, collaborative leadership. The next step is governance clarity – strengthen shared accountability to build confidence, sustain trust, and nurture both spiritual and relational health across the team.



Servant-hearted leadership nurtures trust and credibility – where humility guides, integrity protects, and shared decision-making brings peace.





Diversity & Inclusivity

The breadth of the network's representation (across cultures, ethnicities, genders, denominational traditions, and generations) and how intentionally it includes and values all voices in unity.

STATUS



Thriving

Average Score

4.12

Range

3.3–4.8

Variance

Low–Moderate

Reflection

The network's diversity across cultures, generations, and traditions reflects the beauty of God's kingdom and strengthens collaboration. Continued growth will come through intentionally mentoring younger leaders, ensuring inclusion translates into active participation, shared leadership, and sustained generational renewal.

Encouragement

Your rich diversity is a gift to the global church. The next step is to deepen its impact by equipping and mentoring younger leaders to share in shaping the network's future.

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When every culture, generation, and voice is valued, the network reflects the fullness of Christ's body in mission.



Additional Reflections



Conflict Resolution

If a disagreement arose, some envision **healthy dialogue**, while others expect **stalling** or a **hierarchical intervention** – indicating partial confidence in collaborative resolution and a need for clearer, shared processes for decision-making.



Network Diversity

Diversity in the network is mostly **cultural/ethnic** and along **gender** lines, although representation of **theological, geographic, and generational** diversity is also recognised. There is a need to diversify across **professional** lines.





Collaborative Action & Engagement

Trusting partnerships and clear
communication, upholding unity





Collaborative Engagement

The degree to which the network fosters participation, trusting partnerships marked by shared initiatives, mutual support, and unified pursuit of its mission.

STATUS



Living

Average Score

3.57

Range

2.3-4.5

Variance

Moderate

Reflection

You demonstrate shared identity, yet broader participation and consistent collaboration remain areas for growth. Deepening trust, cultivating intentional partnerships, and creating regular opportunities for joint planning will strengthen unity and move collaboration from connection to collective action.

Encouragement

Collaboration is extending. Keep nurturing it by inviting wider participation, strengthening partnerships, and creating steady rhythms for working, praying, and planning together.



True collaboration is born from trust; when members serve one another, and shared mission flourishes beyond individual strength.





Communication

The effectiveness of communication within the network (between members and leadership) and to external stakeholders (to the broader Lausanne Movement, church, and public).

STATUS



Thirsty

Average Score

3.29

Range

2.3–4.0

Variance

Low–Moderate

Reflection

Communication across the network shows good intent and accessibility but lacks consistency and mutual exchange. Regular updates, interactive meetings, and spiritually grounded messaging would strengthen relational connection, ensure all voices are heard, and align communication more closely with the network's shared mission and values.

Encouragement

You're building communication reach. Regular updates, two-way dialogue, and messages that combine spiritual warmth with practical clarity are next steps to deepen engagement.



Healthy networks speak with clarity and grace – amplifying vision, inviting participation, and ensuring every member is heard.



Additional Reflections



Collaborative Relationships

There is a strong sense of collaborative potential within the network. Everyone could name 3 people they could collaborate with on a shared initiative.



Communication Channels

Information flows through Whatsapp – reflecting good accessibility if used.





Shared Learning & Content

Thoughtful theological reflection,
missional leadership, motivating and
equipping the outworking of the vision





Content & Training

Does the network equip others through quality, theologically grounded resources and training that meet real missional needs in diverse contexts?

STATUS



Thriving

Average Score

4.36

Range

2.8–5.0

Variance

Moderate

Reflection

Your training and resources demonstrate strong theological depth and cultural relevance, effectively addressing real-world mission challenges. Continued growth lies in expanding accessibility, increasing visibility, and diversifying delivery formats to ensure that your materials equip and inspire a broader audience across regions.

Encouragement

Your content serves mission needs with depth and clarity. The next step is broadening accessibility – experiment with new formats to equip more leaders globally.

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Networks that equip others through biblically grounded learning multiply wisdom and strengthen the church for global witness.





Thought Leadership

The extent of the network's contribution to biblically faithful, Spirit-led insight that shapes global mission thinking and guides others in their practice.

STATUS



Thriving

Average Score

4.07

Range

3.2-4.8

Variance

Low-Moderate

Reflection

Ministry Fundraising contributes valuable insight and presence in global mission spaces, engaging others through openness and invitation. To strengthen your influence, deepen collective discernment and communication, ensuring that thought leadership remains Spirit-led, responsive, and rooted in shared reflection on complex missional realities.

Encouragement

Your global voice is respected and growing. Give time to discernment so your leadership continues shaping mission dialogue with wisdom and Spirit-led insight.



Spirit-led thought leadership inspires the church to think deeply, act courageously, and pursue mission with prophetic clarity.



Additional Reflections



Most Shared Content

<https://mfn.global/about/>

<https://mfn.global/how-world-giving-report-blows-up-common-misconceptions-about-generosity/>

Training events and Questions about Giving and Fundraising in Different Cultures



The Network's Voice

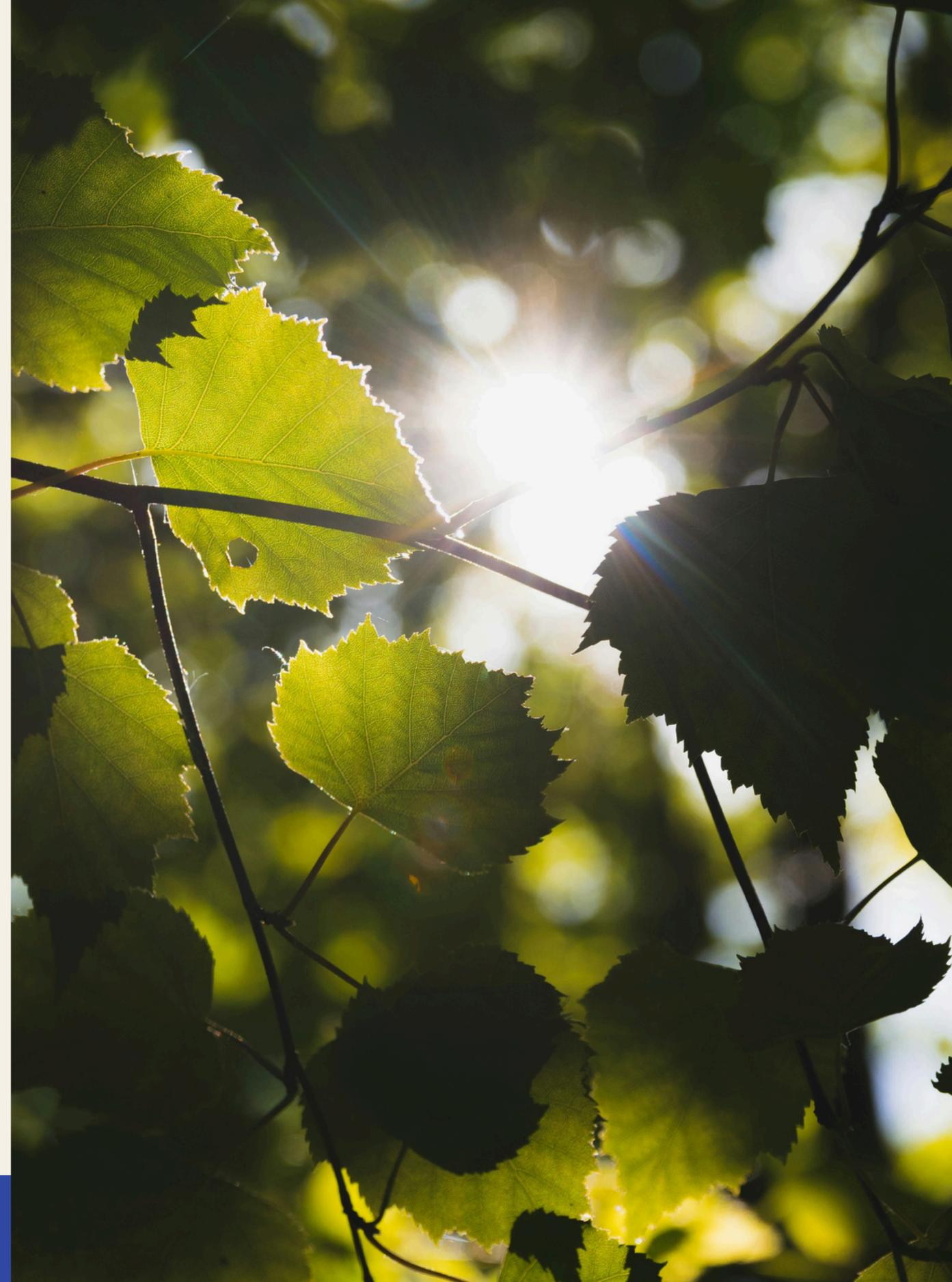
Most judge Ministry Fundraising's voice as **emerging but growing**, or only **occasionally heard**. Only 1 believes the network's voice is **clear and respected**.





Integration & Impact

Shared initiatives marked by innovation and relevance, achieving tangible global impact





Missional Impact

The degree to which the network makes a meaningful spiritual and strategic difference in fulfilling its mission.

STATUS



Thirsty

Average Score

3.33

Range

1.7–5.0

Variance

High

Reflection

The network is having gospel impact, yet tracking and reflection remain inconsistent. Strengthening evaluation processes – both quantitative and qualitative – and aligning outcomes more intentionally with Lausanne’s vision would help clarify progress, celebrate transformation, and guide Spirit-led growth toward measurable missional fruitfulness.

Encouragement

Your work has vitality. Develop simple rhythms to gather stories and data regularly – celebrating progress while aligning your impact more clearly with Lausanne’s mission.



Healthy networks bear visible fruit – lives changed, communities renewed, and the gospel taking root where it was once absent.





Adaptability & Innovation

The ability to adjust and innovate in response to changing circumstances or challenges, maintaining effectiveness and mission faithfulness over time.

STATUS



Thirsty

Average Score

3.50

Range

2.7-4.7

Variance

Moderate

Reflection

You are open to adapt and respond to change but often this is done slowly or inconsistently. Establishing clearer systems for timely response, feedback, and learning will strengthen innovation and ensure adaptability remains a defining, sustainable characteristic of your work.

Encouragement

Your willingness to change is evident. Focus now on building structures that turn adaptability into momentum – where feedback, innovation, and Spirit-led creativity consistently shape the network's future.

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Spirit-led innovation keeps the network fresh – ready to respond with courage, creativity, and faith to changing mission needs.

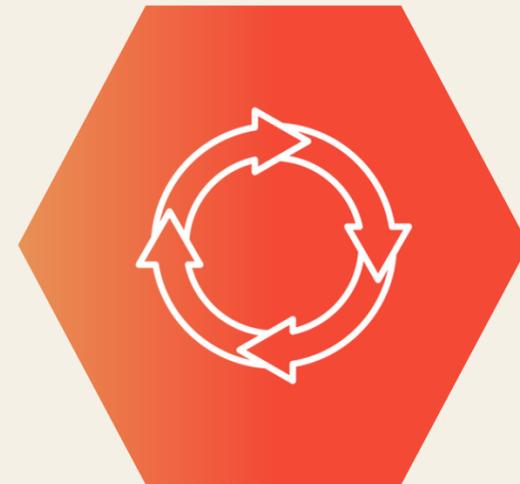


Additional Reflections



Network Impact

The most prevalent impact is **missional awareness** and **change within the church**, although individual ratings of these two elements were mixed. Ministry Fundraising bringing **community transformation** was rated low.

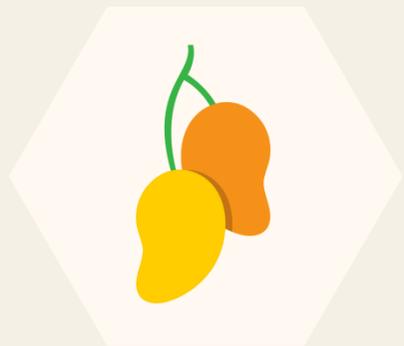


Innovation Culture

Most common responses:

-  SUV – Reliable and adaptable, but lacks speed
-  Canoe – Collaborative, but drifting
-  Bicycle – Slow but steady, powered by a few Dependable and cooperative, yet moving slowly and seeking greater direction and momentum.





Resilience & Sustainability

Resources and generational continuity, ensuring longevity and multiplication beyond the network





Resources

The ability of the network to steward finances, people, and knowledge with transparency and interdependence, ensuring sustainability for its calling.

STATUS



Living

Average Score

3.67

Range

3.0–4.7

Variance

Low–Moderate

Reflection

The network models trustworthy and transparent stewardship, marked by generosity in sharing knowledge and tools. However, limited financial and human resources constrain growth. Building systems for collective contribution and intentional capacity development will help ensure long-term sustainability and broaden missional impact.

Encouragement

Your stewardship and generosity are commendable. The next step is coordinated resourcing – mobilising people, funding, and skills to sustain growth and expand long-term impact.

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Stewardship done in unity – sharing time, gifts, and finances – builds interdependence that sustains mission beyond any one generation.





Multiplication

The extent to which the network cultivates leaders, initiatives, and contextual expressions that carry the vision forward with generational continuity and global reach.

STATUS



Living

Average Score

3.71

Range

2.8-4.7

Variance

Moderate

Reflection

Ministry Fundraising demonstrates healthy signs of multiplication through active emerging leaders and shared leadership. However, regional growth and replication remain uneven. Strengthening coordination, recognising new initiatives, and supporting local ownership will help sustain and expand your impact and growth.

Encouragement

You are cultivating new leaders. The next step is connection – equipping local leaders to multiply impact with confidence and clarity.



When leaders reproduce leaders and vision gives birth to new expressions, the network ensures lasting fruitfulness for God's glory.



Additional Reflections



Resources

Most feel confident that the network can be sustained over the next year, yet 2 were not. The greatest present needs are:

Financial support

Administrative systems

Volunteers or leaders

Data access, team building, clear vision and goals, and dedicated time for prayer were also added as present needs.



Multiplication and Growth

Most common responses:

 Flowing river – consistent multiplication

 Trickling Stream – Small beginnings

Multiplication is steady yet restrained. While moving, some barriers remain – pointing to the need for renewed clarity and support to unlock fuller growth.



Visual Dashboard Summary



THRIVING AREAS
3

LIVING AREAS
6

THIRSTY AREAS
3

Suggested Next Steps



Enable Two-Way Dialogue

Create regular opportunities – online or in person – for two-way communication.

Reflect on Communication Style

Evaluate your communication style to ensure it reflects your spiritual values.

Share Vision Regularly

Schedule regular sharing of your network's vision and updates with members and the wider church.



Track Strategic Outcomes

Define and track both spiritual and strategic outcomes for your initiatives.

Annual Vision Alignment

Annually reflect on how your work advances Lausanne's vision and your network's purpose.

Use Data for Discernment

Use your impact data to discern future priorities and improve focus.



Normalise Constructive Feedback

Foster a culture where feedback and failure are welcomed as growth tools.

Pray for Creative Direction

Meet to pray and invite God to lead your network into creative and courageous new directions.

Experiment and Learn

Dedicate time on an annual basis to try new ideas and learn from what doesn't work.



Voices of Reflection

Final recorded thoughts

Emerging Capacity

"There is much need for and potential within MFN."

The network shows strong potential but needs deeper collaboration, shared vision, and financial strength to thrive.

Gratitude for Support

"I'm really thankful for MFN... Lausanne's support has helped us grow."

Support is valued, and investment in visibility and infrastructure is key to deeper unity.

Building While Growing

"We're building the plane as we fly."

MFN is forming through experimentation; clearer mission focus and measurable frameworks will strengthen alignment and impact.



In closing...

The Ministry Fundraising Issue Network demonstrates encouraging progress rooted in spiritual depth and global generosity. Your dedication to equipping and inspiring others is bearing fruit. May the Lord strengthen your unity, expand your influence, and bless your efforts with lasting fruitfulness.

*“...that they may be called oaks of righteousness,
a planting of the Lord for the display of his splendour.”*

- Isaiah 61:3b

