

# Bellicose Church Missional Community Leadership Requirements

## 1. Partnership (*In Good Standing*)

- Bearing the fruit of partnership in an ongoing way
- Not currently under church discipline
- Strong agreement with the Statement of Faith

## 2. Character

- Good biblical character, evidenced by the fruit of the spirit, not the works of the flesh (Gal 5:19-24)
- Not selfishly ambitious (Phil 2:3) or looking to be seen (Matt 6:1), first (3 John 9), or praised by man (John 12:43)
- Humble and teachable
- Good reputation
- Financially responsible
- Demonstrably free from the dominion of the following sins *for a period of at least 6 months*: “sexual immorality (in all forms, including lust and pornography), impurity, sensuality, idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these.” (Gal. 5:19-21)
- If married, has a healthy marriage

## 3. Training

- Completed all 24 sessions of MC Leaders Training (Q&A is optional)
- One year minimum participation in an MC while not leading

## 4. Filling

- Filled with the Holy Spirit (Eph 5:18)

## 5. Leadership

- Actively sharing the gospel and making disciples
- Leading and being followed
- Not unnecessarily weird, divisive, or given to faddish teachings
- Not domineering (1 Pet 5:3)
- If married, the husband is leading, and the wife is helping
- If parents, leading children well, keeping them in order

## 6. Hospitality

- Evidence of an open home, heart, and schedule

## 7. Submission

- Submitted to the canon of scripture
- Submitted to church leadership
- Submitted to the other partners
- If married, the wife is submitted to her husband
- Approved to lead an MC by the elders
- Submitted to the timing agreed upon by the MC leader and the elders

## 8. Desire

- Eager and called to lead (1 Pet 5:2)
- Earnest to love (1 Pet 1:22, 4:8)
- If married, in unity with spouse about leading an MC