

Communication for Planters

Careful Listening - Christ-like - Clarity

1. **Communicating Vision:** caught/ heart / inspires/ picture unseen reality
2. **Communicating to the congregation:** stories (not numbers), imagine...
3. **Communicating in elders meetings:** Know your leadership voice (and others); distinguish between discussion and decision
4. **Communicating in staff or team meetings:** Clarify biblical rationale/ role/ responsibilities/ expectations/ review date
5. **Communicating Cross-culturally:** Think about how you are perceived - "optics"; don't forget temperament
6. **Communicating in Confrontation:** Clarify your meeting - listen carefully - ask thoughtful probing questions - be objective - say the hard thing
7. **Communicating in managing expectations:** helping people to see their gifting/ limits/ capacity
8. **Communicating in making the call:** when something is not working
9. **Communicating in tricky sensitive pastoral situations:** be Christ-like - speak the truth - do they know you love them and want the best for them?