**Northwest Georgia Presbytery**

**Checklist for Establishing a Mission Church**

**I Establishing a Mission Church**

1. Petition to plant a mission church approved by presbytery (BCO 5-2).
2. Presbytery provides a temporary system of government (BCO 5-3)
3. Pastoral ministry provided by presbytery (BCO 5-4).
4. Church members received by temporary government (BCO 12-5a & 57).
5. Potential officers identified, nominated, trained, and examined following the procedures in BCO 24.
6. Election of Officers (Normally 2 weeks before the organization service.) BCO 5-9d.
7. Election of a Pastor (See BCO 5-9f)
8. Presbytery approves the membership petition to organize (BCO 5-9g).
9. Presbytery appoints an organizing commission and sets the date and time of the organization service (BCO 5-9h).

**II Organization Service (BCO 5-9h)**

1. Ordination and Installation of Officers.
2. Ordination and installation of a Pastor (If necessary).
3. Membership Covenant
4. Declaration of Organization