



LEADER STRATEGIES/SLM RESEARCH REPORT ON NATIONAL COLLABORATIONS

OVERVIEW

Around the world, there are nations where there is a fruitful transition between the SLM ministry and the LS ministries. Our purpose and desire in this task force was to uncover the elements and principles where this collaboration has success. We used the appreciative inquiry research method, which focuses on strengths and points that make it work. We are sharing these findings with you.

Your role is to take the results, seek the Lord, and see how you can change your nation.

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	● Interviews completed: 27 ● Regions: LAC, NAO, Africa, SEASA, East Asia, Europe ● Number of countries represented: 15	● LS staff: 13 ● SLM staff: 12 ● Volunteers: 4 ● National Directors: 2

WHY DO WE NEED A FRUITFUL BRIDGE?

Reaches scope - reach your nation with multiplying disciples

Sustainability - L.I.F.E partners (professional leaders giving their Leadership, Influence, Finances, and Experiences) that engage with the organization

Raises manpower - for staff and volunteers

Transforms your nation - as Christ-centered followers are in every sphere of society

KEY ELEMENTS OF A FRUITFUL BRIDGE

Trust-filled relationships - between SLM (staff and alumni volunteers) and LS (staff and LIFE partners)

An overlap transition period - during the student years

During SLM years - stewardship of student leaders through intentional discipleship, living missionally, and establishing connections with professionals

From LS side - invitations to students into something, relational connections before graduating, and intentional plans/materials

HOW TO BEGIN

1

Identify key people (staff or volunteers) who have vision and ownership for the bridge

2

Ensure National Leader values and sees it as strategic work

3

Create and/or champion contextualized methods and tools that are beneficial to a nation

HOW TO KEEP THE COLLABORATION WORKING

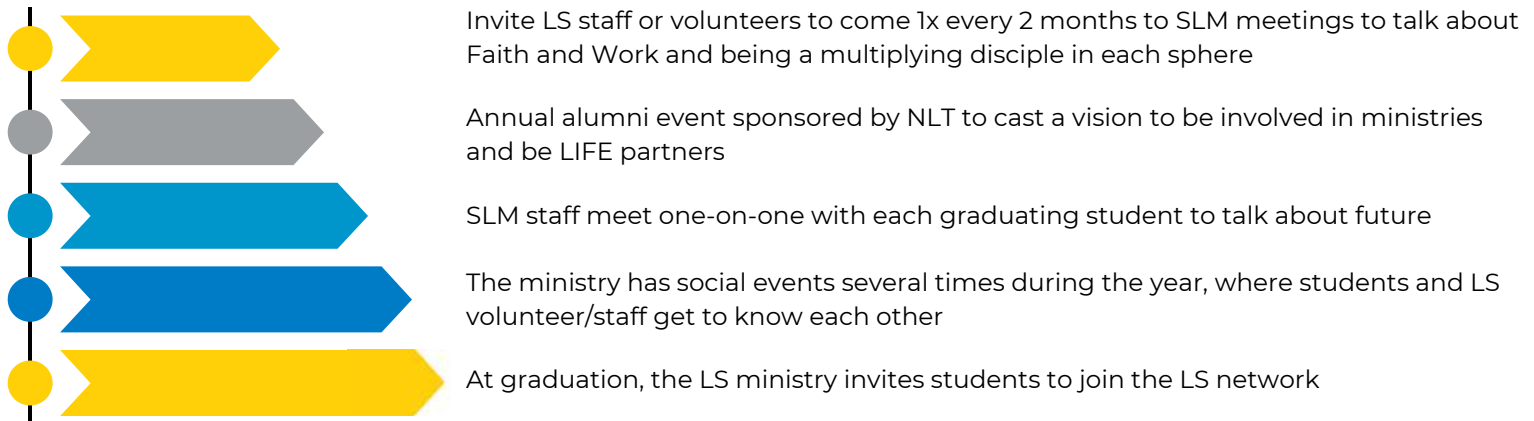
Growing mutual trust - between SLM and LS

Regular meetings - for collaboration and planning

Push/pull - both sides are contributing to the transition, most often in the last year of the student's experience

Communication platforms- ways that opportunities, connections, and information are shared between SLM and LS

SAMPLE OVERLAP YEAR



COMMONLY USED TOOLS

LI NEXT material - 5 Truths, Foundation, Multiplying your Life, Intentional Life

5 Things - Five simple things that help students, alumni, and young professionals live missionally in any context.

Key Leader Challenge - Tool based on Key Volunteer Challenge created in collaboration between SLM and LeaderImpact NEXT

Faith & Work Materials (FIWA)

InTransit - (French) Magazine for Graduates to help them transition to living missionally after College. English version available at Cru Store.