



The Unity of the Body of Christ in the Development of a Healthy Church Based On Ephesians 4:1-16

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Abstract

The development of a healthy church is an urgent need in this modern era, especially in maintaining unity, cooperation, and dependence among members of the congregation in the midst of diversity. This concept is in line with the analogy of the Body of Christ explained by the Apostle Paul in Ephesians 4:1-16, where he emphasizes the importance of the unity of the body of Christ through cooperation and diversity of roles in the church. It is relevant for the church today to ensure that church growth focuses not only on the quantitative aspect, but also on the spiritual qualities of each of its members. This research uses a qualitative approach, with the Bible as the primary source supported by books, journals, articles, and other relevant materials. The development of a healthy church must be based on an apostolic foundation, a holy character, a commitment to discipleship, and a strong evangelistic mission, so that the church can play a role in the spiritual growth of the congregation and maintain unity in the Body of Christ.

Keywords: Healthy church development, unity of the Body of Christ, spiritual growth.

I. INTRODUCTION

The development of a healthy church is a need for the church today. The apostle Paul used the analogy of the body of Christ to emphasize the importance of a healthy church, such as: unity, cooperation and dependence among church members in situations of diversity.¹ The development of a healthy church can be done through evangelism and discipleship. This fact is also affirmed, according to C. Peter Wagner quoted by Yohanes Joko Saptono in the Journal of Charismatic Theology stated, "evangelism and discipleship encourage the growth

of the church".² Evangelism and discipleship are a step or an action that must be carried out, aiming to educate, equip and prepare the church members to realize that evangelism is the main ministry in the church. Paul has affirmed the special important role of evangelists in making disciples of Christ in accordance with the Great Commission of the Lord Jesus Christ in Matthew 28:19-20.

A Healthy Church According to Dr. Setevri explained, "is a church that exists and plays a role in accordance with the meaning of the church and God's intention for and through the church".³ "The Church is inseparable from the Bible and Christ as the Head of the Church. Because, where there is the Word of God there is faith, and where there is faith, there is a true (healthy) church."⁴ Beyond that, a healthy Church is the Holy Spirit being among believers to make His word clear and keep it preached.⁵

Healthy church development According to Merriam-Webster, explains, "Development encompasses the process, outcomes, and circumstances of an entity's growth or transformation. This involves the steps from planning to completion, as well as the final conditions which is what is expected from the process. For example, in the development of new ideas in a project, there is planning, implementation, and finally innovative ideas appear. Development also includes the process stage, as in 'a project in development', indicating that

¹ Wiersbe, Warren W. 2021. Rich in Christ. Kalam Sang.

² Saptono, Yohanes Joko. 2019. "The Importance of Evangelism in Church Growth." DIEGESIS: Journal of Charismatic Theology 2, no. 1 (June): 12–24. <https://doi.org/10.53547/diegesis.v2i1.46>.

³ S. Lumintang 2017. The theology of the church reform in the XXI century The church became similar to the world. Edited by Dr. Danik Astuti Lumintang and Shendy Carolina Lumintang S.Th. Indonesia: Geneva Insani Indonesia.

⁴ Ibid.,357

⁵ Ibid.,359



the project is still active and progressing towards its final goal."⁶

Previous research, in the last ten years of 2014-2024, discussions with the keywords of a healthy church and Ephesians 4: 1-16 have discussed the principles of church growth in Ephesians 4: 1-16 which is implemented at the Kibaid Church of the Perumnas Makassar Congregation.⁷ Simanjuntak and Saragih see the healthy growth of the church not only from the activities of the church category but also from the application of God's Word in daily life.⁸ Such as humility, kindness, patience and compassion shown by church and congregation leaders. Joseph in his research discusses the growth of the church as seen from different characters and values, but in differences it does not trigger conflict.⁹ Hope says that the building of the Body of Christ is seen from the perspective of Ephesians 4:1-16.¹⁰ Being able to discuss the growth of the church cannot be separated from the example of church leaders.¹¹ Neny discussed

that a healthy church is a church that grows in quality and quantity.¹² Suseno in his research discusses that teaching is an important part of the growth of the church.¹³ Roy discussed that the healthy growth of the church can be seen from the spiritual growth of children.¹⁴ Meanwhile, Sarman said that the healthy growth of the church can be seen from how the church can maintain the traditions of the early church.¹⁵ In a sense, previous researchers looked

⁶ Merriam-Webster. 2003. Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary. 11th ed. Springfield, MA: Merriam-Webster, Inc., p. 112.

⁷ Implementation of the Principle of Church Growth Based on Ephesians 4:1-16 for the Growth of the KIBAJemaat Perumnas MakassarBeti Pasongli. Jaffray Theological College Repository

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¹³ Suseno, W. . (2020). THEOLOGICAL DESIGN MODEL OF CHARISMATIC WORSHIP SERVICE JAKARTA CHURCH IN FACING THE TREND OF THEOLOGICAL ISSUES OF CHURCH GROWTH TODAY. Didache: Journal of Christian Theology and Education, 1(2), 109–132. <https://doi.org/10.55076/didache.v1i2.25>

¹⁴ Roy, Bryan, and Antonius Yosef. "THE SPIRITUAL GROWTH OF CHILDREN IN A CHRISTIAN FAMILY ACCORDING TO EPHESIANS 6:4". The Way: Journal of Theology and Education 5, no. 1 (April 29, 2019): 52-69. Accessed October 7, 2024. <https://journal.sttbetheltheway.ac.id/index.php/teologi-dan-kependidikan/article/view/4>.

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more at the perspective of church growth alone, even if viewed from the text taken according to Ephesians 4:1-16 did not conduct a deeper exegesis analysis.

Therefore, this study shows the novelty that, as there have been previous researchers who have dealt with the topic of healthy church development, a study of the analytical content of Ephesians 4:1-16. With the research question: what is healthy church development? Evangelism and discipleship are the Great Mandate of Jesus Christ.

II. RESEARCH METHODS.

The research methodology makes the research carried out more systematic and the research journey more directed in achieving objectives. To obtain accountable results, the method used in this study is qualitative in one study or research program. Using the Bible as the primary source and from various writings from books, journals, articles and related materials, by searching for it and studying it.

III. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Explanation of Terms

So that the reader is not confused by a number of terms that may have different meanings and different lines of thought, the author explains some terms as follows: **First, development**, includes the process, results, and conditions of the growth or transformation of an entity. This involves the steps from planning to completion, as well as the final conditions which is what is expected from the process.¹⁶

Second, the unity of the Body of Christ, according to the Baker Encyclopedia of the Bible, "becomes a one, harmonious in a church, both local and universal in which Jesus Christ is the Head and his members are the parts that make up the body. It emphasizes unity, connectedness, and cooperation between church members to achieve a common goal of serving and glorifying God. Thus, "the unity of the Body of Christ" is a term that has a deep spiritual connotation, describing the relationship between Jesus Christ, the church, and His sacrifice for the salvation of man."¹⁷

Third, a Healthy Church According to Dr. Setevri explained, "is a church that exists and plays a

role in accordance with the meaning of the church and God's intention for and through the church".¹⁸

"The Church is inseparable from the Bible and Christ as the Head of the Church. Because, where there is the Word of God, there is faith, and where there is faith, there is the true (healthy) church"¹⁹ In addition, a healthy church is the Holy Spirit being among believers to make His word clear and keep the word preached.²⁰

IV. HEALTHY CHURCH DEVELOPMENT

Pengembangan gereja yang sehat adalah langkah-langkah dari perencanaan hingga penyelesaian untuk menjadikan gereja yang sehat dan berperan sesuai dengan arti gereja dan maksud Allah untuk dan melalui gereja dimana ia tidak dapat dipisahkan dengan Alkitab dan Kristus sebagai Kepala Gereja. Langkah-langkah adalah seperti yang berikut;

Through the Apostolic Foundation

The apostolic foundation is the church that believes in all the teaching of the apostles that comes from Jesus Christ and from the Old Testament and is based on the leadership of the Holy Spirit and the authority of the Bible.²¹ The church must have a solid foundation meaning a correct understanding of the basic teachings of the Christian faith taught by Jesus and the apostles such as regular and in-depth study of the Bible, paying full attention to what is at the core of Christianity such as salvation, repentance, resurrection, and other core doctrines. According to Widi Prasetyo quoted by Pakpahan G explained that, "The apostles viewed the ministry of God's Word as an important thing in the church for the spiritual growth of the church."²² According to Cornelius

¹⁶ Merriam-Webster. 2003. Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary. 11th ed. Springfield, MA: Merriam-Webster, Inc., p. 112.

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¹⁹ Ibid.,,357

²⁰ Ibid.,,359

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²² Pakpahan, Gernaida K. R., Frans Pantan, and Epafra Djoan Handoyo. 2021. "Towards a Transformative Apostolic Church." EPIGRAPHE:



Pulung, in "The One, Holy and Apostolic Church in the Catholic Church," quoted by Pakpahan G explains that, "The apostolic church is a church based on the empowerment of the Holy Spirit to the Apostles, then it is passed on by us as its successor.²³ The Holy Spirit uses the Apostles to preach the good news to those who do not believe in Christ through the demonstration of the Gospel and the example of life." With a correct understanding of the teachings of the Bible, the church can grow and build a strong identity that is not easily misled by false teachers.

The church must have consistent teaching from the Bible as the supreme authority ensuring that it remains faithful to the teachings taught by the apostles. Where church leaders and teachers are responsible for conveying the teachings of the Bible accurately and clearly. They must ensure that these teachings are delivered consistently and relevant to the context of the church and the needs of the congregation so that the teachings of the Bible can be applied in practical life. Churches that are able to apply biblical principles in their daily conduct will reflect a correct understanding of apostolic teachings. The fruit of the apostolic is the birth of a transformative church.²⁴ Contextual teaching is important in order to give a clear understanding to others. This helps them to apply the principles of Christian teaching in their daily lives so that they themselves experience the truth in their lives.

Melalui Karakter Gereja Yang Kudus

Karakter Gereja yang Kudus mencerminkan kesucian spiritual, bebas dari dosa, dan tidak terpengaruh oleh dunia.²⁵ Kesucian ini diwujudkan dalam kehidupan pribadi yang setia kepada Tuhan dan dalam gereja yang mempersiapkan diri sebagai pengantin Kristus. Kudus berarti kebersihan religius dan kemurnian, yang harus dijaga melalui penyerahan diri kepada Tuhan, pelayanan dengan kasih, menjaga keluarga yang kudus, dan memperhatikan kesucian pribadi.

Gereja yang kudus harus didasari oleh theologia yang sehat, yaitu memahami dan mengajarkan Alkitab

dengan benar.²⁶ Kepemimpinan gereja yang alkitabiah adalah fondasi penting. Pemimpin yang menyukai Theologia akan menjaga gereja tetap sehat, sedangkan gereja yang mengabaikan theologia cenderung tersesat pada ajaran yang hanya memberikan semangat sementara tanpa pertumbuhan iman yang sejati.²⁷

Disiplin gereja juga esensial untuk menjaga kekudusan. Tindakan ini termasuk pembinaan, teguran, dan sanksi bagi anggota yang hidup dalam dosa, dengan tujuan pemulihan rohani dan menjaga kesaksian gereja di hadapan dunia. Semua disiplin harus dilakukan dengan kasih dan berdasarkan ajaran Alkitab.

Committing to Discipleship

Discipleship is at the heart of spiritual growth, a commitment to learning and teaching in order to form mature disciples of Christ.²⁸ This process is not only about knowledge, but about the transformation of life, as taught in Ephesians 4:11-16, where the unity of the Body of Christ is strengthened through discipleship. From the time of Moses and Joshua to Jesus with His 12 disciples, discipleship has been a legacy that transforms lives and generations.²⁹

For discipleship to be truly effective, the church must stand on a strong biblical and theological foundation. Dedicated spiritual leaders are the key to guiding the congregation to maturity of faith. Churches committed to discipleship must develop relevant programs, through komsels, teaching classes, and service units such as Youth and Youth (PMM), Women, and Heroes.³⁰ Each service

Journal of Christian Theology and Ministry 5, no. 1 (June): 140.
<https://doi.org/10.33991/epigraphe.v5i1.125>.

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²⁴ Ibid.,140

²⁵ Lumintang, Stevri. 2017. *Theologia Reformasi Gereja Abad XXI Gereja Menjadi Serupa Dunia*. 361, Edited by Dr. Danik Astuti Lumintang and Shendy Carolina Lumintang S.Th. Indonesia: Geneva Insani Indonesia.

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²⁷ Haryati, Lily. 2021. "Pendidikan Teologi Gembala Sebagai Upaya Dalam Membangun Gereja Yang Sehat", 76

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unit has different needs and contexts. For example, the Youth focuses on missions, the Women's unit on women's special needs, and the Wira unit on character development and leadership. By tailoring discipleship by service unit, the church can be more effective in meeting the specific needs of each group, making discipleship more relevant and effective.

Discipleship is an invaluable investment in the growth of the Body of Christ. The Church must provide adequate time, energy, and resources not only teaching materials, but also strong training. However, the success of discipleship lies in the commitment of each individual. Every member of the church is called to be actively involved, both as a mentor and as a participant, with an open heart and an attitude ready to change. Periodic evaluations should be conducted to ensure discipleship remains relevant and effective. With a clear strategy, strong leadership, and shared commitment, the church will build a generation of disciples of Christ who are not only rooted in the word, but also fruitful for the kingdom of God. This is the true power of discipleship, bringing about change from within, and producing lasting impact.

COMMITTED TO EVANGELISTIC MISSIONS

Evangelism is preaching God's love and forgiveness of sins through Christ, fulfilling man's highest need for salvation. The church's commitment to evangelistic missions means ensuring that all ministry leads to the preaching of the Gospel, because without the Gospel, ministry loses its meaning. The Church is called to follow God's mission, just as Jesus came to save the lost.³¹

Effective evangelism begins in childhood, and the church is responsible for educating children with the gospel.³² The Church needs to train evangelism teams with the skills to convey the gospel message clearly, teach interpersonal interactions, and equip them with biblical knowledge to answer questions about faith. Church leadership, including pastors and elders, must prepare members according to their gifts and inspire a spirit of evangelism.

Every member of the church should be encouraged to be actively involved in evangelism.

³¹ Menzies, William & Horton, Stanley M. 1998. BIBLE DOCTRINES. MAS Wheat.

³² Badai, Kristian, Kaleb Djeremod, and Frets Keriapy. 2020. "Evangelism as an Effort to Strengthen the Belief in Child Salvation." HARVESTER: Journal of Christian Theology and Leadership 5, no. 2 (December): 120–34. <https://doi.org/10.52104/harvester.v5i2.42>.

The Church can organize opportunities for all, such as direct service, prayer support, or financial assistance. The church may also designate evangelistic days in the church calendar, with organized activities such as home visits and healing prayers. In addition, make schedules for personal visits from house to house of congregations, pray for healing for the sick and visit them at home or in the hospital.³³

Thus, evangelism becomes the full commitment of the church, preaching the gospel with focus and directed zeal.

V. EXPECTED FINAL RESULTS

Living up to the call

A church that lives according to a calling is one that responds to a spiritual invitation from God, which begins with repentance. Repentance is a fundamental first step before serving. The Apostle Paul emphasized that the church must live up to their calling as part of the body of Christ. This calling not only had an impact on personal growth but also on the church as a whole, making it a representative of Christ in the world.

It is important for the church to recognize this calling, because it is through that calling that they function as an integral part of the body of Christ.³⁴ Each member has a significant role, such as the parts of the human body that support each other. The knowledge of Christ encourages the church to live in unity and to radiate God's light in the midst of a dark world.

God's calling is not about a degree, but about a role and function in ministry, which must be done after experiencing repentance.³⁵ A church that lives in the Spirit will be an effective witness to Christ, both among fellow believers and in society, developing spirituality and strengthening faith as the body of Christ.

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³⁵ Ibid., 141



The Unity of the Body of Christ

The unity of the Body of Christ is the condition in which all Christians, despite their different gifts, talents, and personalities, work together in harmony to glorify God. This unity is not only God's work, but also man's responsibility to maintain. A healthy church is one that is united in one faith, one baptism, and one God, as taught by the Apostle Paul.

The unity of the church includes close cooperation between the aggotás, supporting each other, serving, and growing in love. The local church is an important means of communion, where the saints can serve each other and achieve spiritual maturity. As Rick Warren expressed, unity is the spirit of fellowship, and without it, the Body of Christ would be weak.³⁶

The implication of this unity is the awareness of the importance of cooperation, which encourages every member of the church to actively play a role in the ministry according to the gifts they have, so that the church is stronger in the character and love of Christ.

The Church plays a role in Spiritual Growth.

The church plays a role in spiritual growth is the church that facilitates spiritual growth by being the center of the preaching of the Gospel and strengthening the Body of Christ. Weekly worship, teaching, and in-depth preaching about God's Word are essential to shaping the character of the congregation to become more like Christ. Spiritual growth is a lifelong process that needs to be pursued continuously.³⁷ The Church is also using modern media to spread the Gospel to a wider community. Spiritual growth is facilitated through Bible study, prayer, fellowship, and ministry, such as cell groups and spiritual events such as seminars or retreats. In addition to functioning as a place of worship, the church also strengthens the unity and relationship

between the Christian congregation through social services and mission projects.

This unity allows each member to serve, support, and work together to glorify the Lord. Spiritual growth occurs effectively when spiritual leaders guide, and congregations respond with obedience and active involvement in ministry.

Church members serve each other

Members of the church who serve each other are communities that support and meet each other's needs, regardless of differences. This ministry has a theological basis, as Jesus taught in John 13:14 and the Apostle Paul in Galatians 5:13 and 6:2.³⁸ The Church is likened to the Body of Christ with many members who have different functions but need each other (1 Corinthians 12:12-27).

Unity in the Body of Christ is very important, because it is only through unity that church members can serve and cooperate with each other. Each member has a different role, but must work together for the common good.³⁹ By maintaining unity and appreciating the diversity of gifts, the church can function effectively to glorify God and build His kingdom in the world.

The Church attains spiritual maturity

A church that reaches spiritual maturity is one that has a deep understanding of God's word, grows in faith, and reflects the character of Christ. This maturity is characterized by the absence of division or grouping and the unity of faith and knowledge of the Son of God (Ephesians 4:13).⁴⁰ The purpose of the church's ministry is to guide its members to maturity that conforms to Christ's standards, as explained by Rick Warren, who states that God wants His people to grow and have Jesus-like character.⁴¹

³⁶ Rick Warren. 2012. *The Purpose Driven Life*. Jawa Timur: Gandum Mas, 146

³⁷ Yonathan Triantoro, Helbert Itras Igilemba Ondja, IMPLEMENTATION OF CHRISTIAN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION IN THE CHURCH FOR THE SPIRITUAL GROWTH OF YOUNG PEOPLE, 241, SESAWI, Article History:Submitted: 22/05/2023 JOURNAL OF CHRISTIAN THEOLOGY AND EDUCATION Reviewed: , 29/05/2023 VOLUME 4, NO 2 JUNE 2023 Accepted: 08/06/2023 Available at: <http://sttsabdaugung.ac.id> Published: 27/06/2023

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Spiritual maturity is not only about doctrinal knowledge, but it also includes the development of a character that reflects Christ (John 13:35). This process involves coaching through teaching, prayer, and service. Spiritually mature people will have a longing to fellowship with God, experience a change in life through the Holy Spirit, and finally do God's will.

A mature church has a Christlike way of thinking, a way of view, and feelings, not like the world. The main reason the church must reach spiritual maturity is to glorify God (Isaiah 6:3). The mature Church becomes God's agent to bring about God's will in the world, to show His love and truth, and to preach the Gospel to the unbelievers.

VI. Conclusion

The development of a healthy church is a process that involves a strong foundation based on apostolic teaching, a holy character, a commitment to discipleship, and a focus on the mission of evangelism. The apostolic foundation requires the church to be faithful to the teachings of the Bible and the apostles, ensuring that the church grows in doctrinal truth and avoids heresy. The holy Church is committed to purity, spiritual discipline, and sound theology, with the aim of preserving the witness of the church in the world.

Discipleship is at the heart of the spiritual growth of the church, helping its members grow in faith and character through coaching and teaching. Effective discipleship is tailored to the context of the congregation, whether in youth, women, or adult groups, with a focus on life change and spiritual maturity.

Evangelism, as the primary task of the church, aims to convey God's love and bring souls to salvation. A healthy church must have a strong commitment to this mission, involving each member actively to preach the gospel and serve others.

Ultimately, a healthy church is one that lives according to God's calling, works in unity as the body of Christ, and supports the spiritual growth of its members. The unity of Christ's body enables the congregation to serve one another, grow in faith, and reach spiritual maturity to glorify God and do His will in the world.

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