

The Role of Discipleship in Effective Servant Leadership Development: Case of AFM

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this study was to investigate how intentional discipleship could be used to improve servant leadership in the Apostolic Faith Mission in Zimbabwe churches.

The research was based on a case study of AFM Harare East Province.

The study adopted a survey design and data was collected from the respondents using the questionnaires and interviews. Key informants and focus groups were used for in depth understanding of the phenomenon.

The survey findings indicated that more respondents are of the opinion discipleship and servant leadership exist in their AFM local churches though it may not be structured with supporting materials in a formal way. On the other hand the observations by the researcher and information by key informant interviewees reveal a totally contradictory picture as far as discipleship and servant leadership in the AFM is concerned.

The study recommends a redefinition of the AFM mission to refocus efforts to servant leadership development through disciples and the development of a strategy to revitalize the discipleship efforts.