

APPENDIX E

MINISTRIES OF THE CHURCH

Below are some ministries that pastors may wish to consider:

1. Home/church Bible studies.
2. Home/church prayer meetings and daily prayer at lunch time.
3. Saturday night Bible study for the youth and adults.
4. Personalized home Bible studies. (A teacher holds a personal Bible study for a single person, couple, family or a small group.)
5. Sunday school classes teaching book-by-book.
6. Program to teach fathers how to conduct family devotions.
7. Discipleship program.
8. Memorization club.
9. Bible reading club. (Read a book of the Bible and discuss it.)
10. Weekly Bible study for all pastors, deacons and Bible teachers.
11. New member's class on basic Bible doctrines.
12. A class on health and diet.
13. Class for members to determine what their spiritual gifts are.
14. A Bible college for members and others. (It does not need to be accredited. The pastors and qualified Bible teachers teach classes on specific books of the Bible, O.T. and N.T. survey, Bible doctrine, hermeneutics, homeletics, Church history, etc.)
15. Bible study correspondence course.
16. Evangelism class. (Training members how to share the Gospel.)
17. Evangelism programs.
18. Community outreach programs.
19. Send out missionaries and support those in the field.
20. Compassion ministry for church members and others.
21. Food bank. (For church members and the poor.)
22. Day-care ministry for members.
23. Homeschooling program for parents to home school their children.
24. Regular dinner parties. (Pastors, deacons and Bible teachers invite members of the church to their home for dinner/fellowship. The host should take time to share his testimony and listen to the testimonies of his guests. He should get to know them, and ask them if they need help in their spiritual growth or in their daily lives.)
25. Night of preaching. (Men called to be pastors preach for 20 to 30 minutes. Three or more men preach. It can be a powerful evangelistic tool.)

Compassion Ministry

There are dozens of things a church can do to help the members of the church and the unsaved in the community. Here are just a few ideas for the Compassion Ministry:

1. Free gardening services. The church should have a professional gardener head this ministry up.
2. Recycling ministry. Church members can bring recyclable waste to the church.
3. Hauling stuff to the dump that the city trash disposal company does not handle.
4. Free handyman services.
5. Free auto repair services if the church has a professional mechanic. It would be limited to basic repairs and maintenance.
6. Free grocery shopping services.
7. Free ride services.
8. Day-care ministry.
9. Prepared meals for members who cannot cook due to injury or sickness.
10. House sitting services.

APPENDIX F

SPIRITUAL SUCCESS

Most pastors want to be successful. They want to have a big church with several ministries to help the members of their congregation. Some even want to have a radio or television ministry. There is nothing wrong in this, yet that is not success. Spiritual success does **not** consist of numbers, money, buildings, ministries, fame and notoriety. Most churches that have those things are spiritual failures.

Spiritual success consists of:

Making certain that every member of your congregation is truly born from above. If you cannot spend time with every member of your flock to listen to their testimony and be assured they are saved you need to train men to help you (Hebrews 13.17);

Feeding every member of your flock with the Word and helping them grow to spiritual maturity (Acts 6.4; Ephesians 4.11-16; 1 Peter 5.2);

Setting up a Scripture reading, studying, memorization and meditation program for every member and helping them stay on it (Appendix C);

Getting every member involved in ministry. Determine what gifts each member has and find a way for them to use them. The more members there are involved in ministry the greater impact the church will have on the community (Romans 12.7-8; 1 Corinthians 12.7-10);

Watching over the flock. When a member or regular attendee does not attend a Sunday morning service call and tell him that you missed him. Gently determine why he skipped and make him understand he is an important member. Explain to him that the whole body suffers when just one member is missing. Train men to help you if you have a large church. When the member is a woman have your wife or a female member of your congregation make the call (Hebrews 13.17);

Discipling all husbands so they can disciple their wives and children (Deuteronomy 6.6-7);

Discipling faithful men called to be pastors (2 Timothy 2.2);
Having your wife or spiritually mature women in your congregation
disciple mothers so they can disciple their children (Proverbs 1.8; 6.20;
31.26)

Showing hospitality to every member of your flock by inviting them to
dinner on a regular basis (once a week or once a month). The deacons,
Bible teachers and other men in your flock can help you (Romans
12.13; 1 Timothy 3.2; Titus 1.8) as well as all members of your flock
(1 Timothy 5.10; Hebrews 13.2; 1 Peter 4.9);

Meeting the physical needs of every member of your congregation
(Acts 6.1-3; Romans 12.7; 1 John 3.16-18);

Taking the Gospel to every home and person in your city, and
discipling those who believe in Jesus Christ (Matthew 28.19-20);

Sending out missionaries to make disciples of all nations (Matthew
28.19-20), and assisting missionaries in their work (3 John 5-8).