



10 STEPS FOR EFFECTIVE MINISTRY

Define the mission.

Begin by clearly articulating what it is that you are hoping to accomplish and why.

Recruit the team.

As you invite others to participate in this ministry,
Make sure that they understand the mission; and
Invite participants on the basis of their gifts and passion for the mission.

Develop the strategy.

Explore options as to how you will accomplish the mission you have defined and select the strategy that will be most effective in helping you to achieve your goals.

Assign the tasks.

Based on gifts and passions, ask each team member to take responsibility for a specific task. This will help facilitate greater interest and participation.

Set the time-line.

Explain the importance of completing tasks in a timely fashion and show how each individual task relates to the overall effectiveness of the mission.

Enlist the support of others.

Broaden the base of support and encourage others to participate in the mission by inviting their participation. Make sure that they understand the mission and are willing to complete assigned tasks.

Implement the plan.

Move the mission forward. People will begin to lose interest in the mission if they do not see the plan actively moving forward.

Evaluate the progress.

Set standards to measure whether or not the mission goals are being accomplished. Ask for additional input and make adjustments, if necessary.

Share the results.

Keep team members and the congregation informed about the mission. Be sure to include how this ministry advances God's mission for the congregation.

Celebrate the accomplishments.

Highlight the work that is being accomplished and thank participants for their faithful service as they carry out God's mission through this ministry.