September 18, 2022 DiscipleMinistry

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This year our focus has becoming a genuine, mature Disciple, One of the key aspect of a True Disciple is that Disciples Minister, they serve, and they serve faithfully. We are to server God and One Another!

How we serve should is determined by

(1) By those characteristics, attitudes and area that are prescribed for us in the Bible and modeled by Jesus,(2)By the unique personality, talents, experiences and Spiritual Gifts that Gods has given to each person

God Desires for us to: FOCUS, FRUITFULNESS & FULFILLMENT

WE MINISTER TO 3 AREAS OF NEEDS.

1 - To people's PHYSICAL needs.

"(God says) I was hungry and you fed me, ... thirsty and you gave me a drink... needed clothes and you clothed me... sick and you cared for me... in prison and you visited me... Whenever you have done this to the least person, you did it to me." Matt. 25:35-36, 40

2 - To people's EMOTIONAL needs.

"Warn the idle, encourage the timid, help the weak, be patient with all." 1 Thess. 5:14

3 - To people's SPIRITUAL needs.

"God reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation." 2 Cor. 5:18

"We proclaim Christ, counseling and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ." Col 1:28, 29

THE PURPOSE OF MINISTRY

"There are different ministries, but the same Lord. 6 And there are different activities, but the same God is active in everyone and everything. 7 A manifestation of the Spirit is given to each person to produce what is beneficial". I Cor. 12 5-7 (HCSB)

GOD WANTS US TO SERVE & MINISTER TO BUILD UP HIS BODY

THE PRIORITY OF MINISTRY

1. I'VE BEEN CREATED FOR MINISTRY

"For we are His creation—created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared ahead of time so that we should walk in them." Eph. 2:10 (HCSB)

2. I'VE BEEN SAVED FOR MINISTRY!

"It is He who saved us and chose us for His holy work, not because we deserved it but because that was His plan long before the world began..." 2 Tim. 1:9 (LB)

Saved to Serve!

3. I'VE BEEN CALLED INTO MINISTRY!

"God, in His grace, chose me even before I was born, and called me to serve Him." Gal. 1:15 (GN)
"I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received." Eph. 4:1 (NIV)

"... You have been chosen by God Himself -- you are priests of the King... you are God's very own -- all this so that you may show to others how God called you out of darkness into His wonderful light! Once you were less than nothing, now you are God's own!" I Peter 2:9-10 (LB)

4. I'VE BEEN GIFTED FOR MINISTRY!

"God has given each of you some social abilities; be sure to use them to help each other, passing on to others God's many kinds of blessing." 1 Peter 4:10

5. I'VE BEEN AUTHORIZED FOR MINISTRY!

"(Jesus said) All authority in heaven and earth has been given to me. Therefore, go and make disciples..."

Matt. 28:18-19 (HCSB)

"We are therefore Christ's ambassadors..." 2 Cor. 5:20

6. I'M COMMANDED TO MINISTRY!

"(Jesus) Your attitude must be like my own, for I, the Messiah, did not come to be served, but to serve..."
Mt. 20:28 (LB)

"(To Archippus) Take heed to the ministry you've received from the Lord and fulfill it." Col. 4:17 (KJV)

7. I'M TO BE PREPARED FOR MINISTRY!

"God gave pastors and teachers to prepare God's people for works of ministry so that the body of Christ may be built up..." Eph. 4:11-12 (NIV)

8. THE BODY OF CHRIST NEEDS MY MINISTRY! "All of you together are the one body of Christ and each of you is a separate and necessary part of it."

1 Cor. 12:27 (LB)

Ministry functions in the context of the CHURCH BODY/KINGDOM AGENDA

9. I AM ACCOUNTABLE FOR MY MINISTRY!

"So then, each of us will give an account of himself to God."

Romans 14:12

The Parable of the Talents: Matt. 25:14-30

10. I WILL BE REWARDED FOR MY MINISTRY!

"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not men, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward." Col. 3:23, 24

"Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your Master's happiness!" Matt. 25:23

HOW GOD HAS SHAPED ME FOR MINISTRY

Spiritual Gifts

Heart

Abilities

Personality

Experience

Commit to the Ministry Covenant

Complete Your Personal Profile

INTERVIEW

Identify 3 or 4 ministry possibilities with the help of a Ministry Guide

Meet with the Staff who supervise ministries you're considering



BEGIN MY MINISTRY

Committee and Ministry Team Descriptions Sunday, September 18 Ministry Fair & Sign-Up Day

<u>Committees</u> – Requirements to serve: must be a church member

Committee on Committees

Maintains a list of active committees and teams and working to find leaders and members when needed each year.

Meeting Frequency: 1 or 2 times a year or as needed depending on circumstances.

Skills/Spiritual Gifts that may fit well: Discernment, Recruiting

Counting Committee

Responsible for counting the tithes and offerings each week throughout the year.

Meeting Frequency: members put on weekly team for a monthly rotation and usually count one Sunday a month. **Skills/Spiritual Gifts that may fit well:** Basic Math, Honesty

Finance Committee

Approves finance requests, prepares and oversees the church budget, promotes stewardship among church members.

Meeting Frequency: at least once a month but there are times when they meet more often.

Skills/Spiritual Gifts that may fit well: Discernment, Financial Experience, Charity, Budgeting

Long-Range Planning Committee

Assesses the current and potential future needs of the church and the community and make recommendations for upcoming projects/staff hires/ministries/etc.

Meeting Frequency: as needed Skills/Spiritual Gifts that may fit well: Wisdom, sensitivity to spiritual leading,

Missions Committee

Researches and promotes local, national, and international mission opportunities for the church, support church members going on mission trips, provides resources when needed.

Meeting Frequency: few times year or as needed Skills/Spiritual Gifts that may fit well: evangelism, travel, hospitality, handyman skills

Mothers Day Out Oversight Committee

Responsible for the policies, operation and budget of the MDO program and supports the MDO Director, develops ways to connect our church with the MDO ministry and its families

Meeting Frequency: once a month or more frequently as the need arises?

Skills/Spiritual Gifts that may fit well: educational experience, day care experience, management/business experience, experience working with young families, administration, hospitality, evangelism

Nominating Committee

Recruits church members to fill church officer positions as well as the members of the Committee on Committees. They also help recruit committee chairmen and team leaders.

Meeting Frequency: once a year or if the need arises. Skills/Spiritual Gifts that may fit well: discernment, recruiting

Personnel Committee

Manages the paid staff positions of the church. Updates job descriptions, prepare salary packages as well as coordinate and conduct interviews for potential new hires, yearly job evaluations.

Meeting Frequency: as needed though typically a few times a year.

Skills/Spiritual Gifts that may fit well: recruiting, HR

Church Constitution and Bylaws Committee

Oversees changes to the church constitution and bylaws. Performs an annual review of the current document. Recommends needed changes and reviews proposed changes from the business meetings.

Meeting Frequency: once a year, as needed when changes are proposed

Skills/Spiritual Gifts that may fit well: editing/proofreading, legal experience, communication

<u>Teams</u> – Requirements to serve: <u>team leaders</u> must be a church member, <u>team members</u> may come from both church members and active church attenders

Benevolence Ministry Team

Oversees the food pantry and other benevolence resources as well as providing them to those who request aid in the Broussard community.

Meeting Frequency: as needed throughout the month when people make requests.

Skills/Spiritual Gifts that may fit well: discernment, kindness, compassion

Children's Ministry Team

Responsible for the needs of the children's ministry (grades 1-5), planning a calendar of events, members may serve as teachers and assistants of small groups, helpers at children's events, organizing an annual VBS event, children's church, and background support projects

Meeting Frequency: as needed during the month Skills/Spiritual Gifts that may fit well: organization, communication, team work, creative

IT (Information Technology) Ministry Team

Maintains the network, computers, digital signage, software and peripherals used throughout the church.

Meeting Frequency: as needed

Skills/Spiritual Gifts that may fit well: networking, computer hardware/software, system administration

Men's Ministry Team

Provides opportunities for men to connect through discipleship, fellowship, and service. Some of the main activities of this ministry include helping with moves, repair and service projects for church members, helping with church workdays, fellowship activities like fishing and dinners, and providing activities to engage the men of the church

Meeting Frequency: as needed throughout the year Skills/Spiritual Gifts that may fit well: hospitality, cooking, event planning, discipling others, handyman skills,

Ordinances Ministry Team

Assists individuals during baptisms as well as preparing and providing the materials for the Lord's Supper.

Meeting Frequency: every other month for Lord's Supper and as needed for baptisms.

Skills/Spiritual Gifts that may fit well: food preparation, hospitality

Prayer Ministry Team

Oversees the prayer ministry of the church, helping on prayer chain, assisting with prayer garden,

Meeting Frequency: as needed

Skills/Spiritual Gifts that may fit well: prayer warrior, discernment, respect confidentiality

Preschool Ministry Team

Responsible for the needs of the preschool ministry (birth-K), serving as teachers and assistants in Sunday School classes, helping with Extended Service care, providing preschool sessions during church events, developing age

appropriate activities for preschoolers and parents, helping with front desk and other background support projects.

Meeting Frequency: as needed during the month

Skills/Spiritual Gifts that may fit well: organization,
communication, team work, creative

Property & Grounds Ministry Team

Oversees the general needs and upkeep of the church campus. Mostly involves handling needed repairs and planning work days during the year to tackle larger projects as well as contacting repairmen when needed.

Meeting Frequency: as needed throughout the month depending on the needs of the facilities.

Skills/Spiritual Gifts that may fit well: handyman skills, project planning, exp getting bids on projects

Security Ministry Team

Oversees the basic security needs of the church during services and events.

Meeting Frequency: yearly to review safety plan and as needed.

Skills/Spiritual Gifts that may fit well: experience with security and law enforcement or military training

Senior Adult Ministry Team

Plans events for the senior adults of the church as well as maintaining contact with those under the ministry.

Meeting Frequency: as needed throughout the year as events are scheduled and planned

Skills/Spiritual Gifts that may fit well: event planning, hospitality, networking

Student Ministry Team

Responsible for the needs of students (6 - 12 grade). This team includes those who teach Small Groups on Sunday mornings, help with activities and work projects during the year, driving to activities and helping with camp.

Meeting Frequency: as needed throughout month Skills/Spiritual Gifts that may fit well: patience, discipleship, event planning, networking, maintain boundaries, listening

Women's Ministry Team

Oversees opportunities for women to connect together through discipleship, fellowship, and service. Some of the main activities of this ministry include providing meals during events, overseeing the decorating of the church, luncheon, coffee, craft fellowships, helping with church work days, providing activities to engage the women of the church

Meeting Frequency: as needed Skills/Spiritual Gifts that may fit well: hospitality, creativity, cooking, administration/organizing, planning, DIY, networking, discipleship,

Worship Ministry Team

Prepares the Sunday morning worship services each week. This group is made up of singers and musicians on stage as well as worship techs in the sound booth.

Meeting Frequency: couple of times a week for practices and Sunday worship and occasionally for other special events when worship is needed.

Skills/Spiritual Gifts that may fit well: play an instrument, worship, sound and/or technology exp., vocal experience, harmonizing, choir, choral,

Welcome and Information Ministry Team

Recruits and trains greeters and ushers each week for Sunday services as well as collecting contact details from new visitors and providing them with information about the church.

Meeting Frequency: (depending on the size of the team) each Sunday or rotating with other team members to serve once or twice a month. May also be training times during the year.

Skills/Spiritual Gifts that may fit well: hospitality, networking,

Café Missions Ministry Team

Manages the café each Sunday morning. This includes preparation of coffee as well as clean up after service.

Meeting Frequency: once a week or rotational during the month if there are enough members

Skills/Spiritual Gifts that may fit well: barista exp, server exp, food prep, hospitality, customer service, janitorial