Organizing Ministry Teams That Multiply

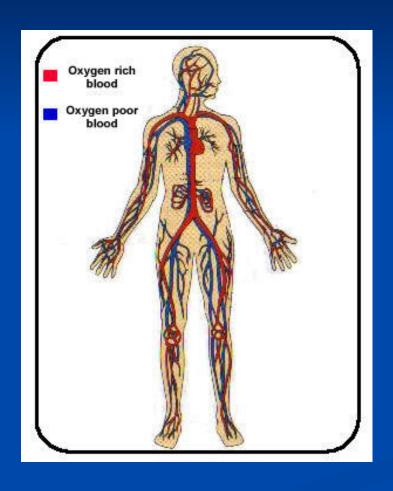
Empowering Everyone In Meaningful Ministry

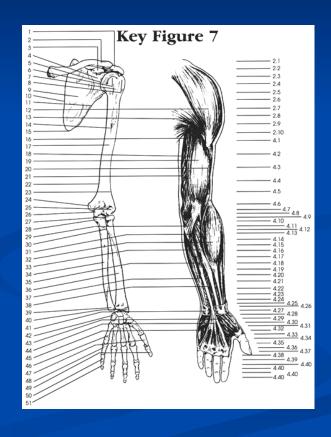
Multiplying Ministry Teams

Principle: The church must develop <u>team</u> <u>mentality</u> in serving.

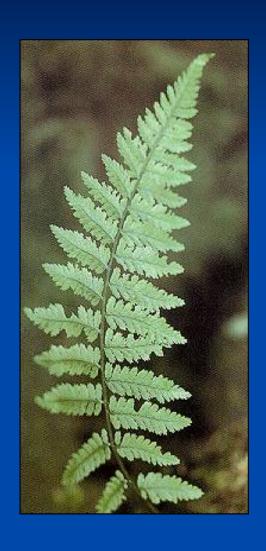
Principle: Doing church as a team can be very simple when a multiplying team model is used.

Lessons From The Body





Lessons From Plants





Typical Ministry Development Approach

Ministry Need Arises:

WRONG NEXT STEPS

- Emergency Request: Will you do it?
- Response: "Well, I love Jesus...so yes."
- Reaction: "What do you want me to do?"
- Response: "Just go do your best"

CORRECT NEXT STEPS

Don't Do Ministry Yet!

BEGIN TO DESIGN A TEAM

- Build a Team of <u>4</u> leaders....plus you
- Total Team = <u>5</u> People

This system helps maintain an appropriate SPAN OF CARE

Six Simple Steps to Team Development

- 1. Define Ministry Scope
- 2. Define Ministry Purpose
- 3. Define Key Functions
- 4. Identify Leadership Qualifications
- 5. Select <u>Candidates</u>
- 6. Recruit <u>Leaders</u>

Benefits of Teams Approach

- 1. Growth and new involvement is continuous.
- 2. Ministries grow **broader** because teams **multiply**.
- 3. Every person is <u>included</u> and has a <u>specific</u>, <u>meaningful</u> role to fulfill in ministry.
- 4. Creates a "blueprint" for ministry opportunities that helps attract new people into service.
- The larger the ministry grows the <u>deeper</u> the leadership goes. Expansion is always supported by adequate leadership.

Benefits of Teams Approach

- 6. The team ministry approach helps prevent burn-out!
- 7. Easy to turn these natural groupings into "Small Groups"
 - Participants in these Serving Groups are selected based on natural relational affinity, similar passions, talents, interests...
 - People are accountable to a leader and each leader is accountable to another leader and each person is training and being trained!

Step 1. Define Scope of Ministry

 Draw a Circle: This represents the scope and responsibilities of the ministry

Visual brain storm session example: Youth Ministry



Step 2. Define the Purpose

Draw "cross-hairs" that define what you are aiming at—what's the PURPOSE of the ministry?



Step 3. Define Four Key Functions

- Ask three important questions:
 - 1. Look at your brainstorm circle, if all potential activities of this ministry were grouped into four functions of related activity, what would they be?
 - 2. What would we call each function/team?
 - 3. Test: If these four functions happen will the ministry purpose be accomplished?



Step 4. Identify **Qualifications** Needed For Each Team Leader

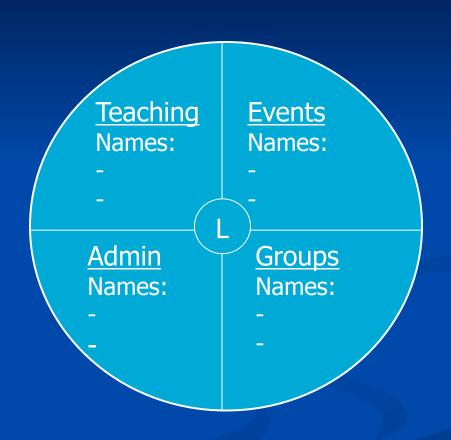
 Determine ideal spiritual gifts, passions, abilities, personality, experience and spiritual maturity desired

- Qualifications Desired:
 - Gifts: Leadership, teaching
 - Passions: Teens, fun, sports
 - Abilities: Organization,
 Communication
 - Personality: Gregarious (High O)
 - Experience: Student activities
 - Maturity: Guiding believer (M3)



Step 5. Select Candidates

- Select the best people for the position out of all possible candidates.
 - Ask yourself who would be best?
 - Interview others who have served with them or seen them in action.
 - Work hard to match the names with the SHAPE needed and spiritual maturity necessary for the position or task.



Step 6. Recruit the Leaders

- Make the ask!
 - Don't wait for the right person to volunteer or magically appear.
 - Challenge the ones you've identified. (Matt 7:7)
 - Pray and let God handle their response!
 - Keep "Asking" until your team is complete!



Characteristics of Powerful Ministry Teams

Means of Cooperation

EXCELLENT COMMUNICATION



COMMON PURPOSE

Reason for Cooperation



Strategy for Cooperation

CLEAR ROLES



ACCEPTED LEADERSHIP



Structure for Cooperation



SOLID RELATIONSHIPS

Climate for Cooperation



EFFECTIVE PROCESSES

Method of Cooperation