



[YOUR CHURCH]







TO GO GLOBAL, WE MUST GO LOCAL!





IN EVERY LOCAL CHURCH!



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Christian Service, p. 59



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Beware of discipleship frameworks, models, strategies, philosophies, and other smart-sounding descriptions, if they are not accompanied by simple and practical tools that church members will use.



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- 1. PREPARE = Serve (Befriend)
- 2. PLANT = Share (Introduce)
- 3. CULTIVATE = Study (Grow)
- 4. HARVEST = Appeal (Baptize)
- 5. PRESERVE = Mentor (Train)



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- 2) Show what it looks like in local church



5 Ministry Goals

for every local church

- 1. CHURCHWIDE Community Ministries
- 2. ACTIVE Literature & Media Ministry
- 3. VIBRANT Bible Study Ministry
- 4. REGULAR Evangelistic Meetings
- 5. SYSTEMATIC Discipleship Ministry



Systematic Discipleship Ministry

Systematic means more than assigning spiritual guardians and hoping for the best. It means implementing an intentional plan to disciple EVERY NEW MEMBER after baptism.



Systematic Discipleship Ministry

- 1. APPOINT discipleship ministry leader
- 2. RECRUIT faithful members to serve as mentors
- 3. FOLLOW a plan to establish spiritual habits
- 4. PROVIDE ongoing instruction & training
- 5. INTEGRATE into church life and mission
- 6. PROVIDE leadership support
- 7. PRAY for laborers and souls



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- 3) Show **how** to implement in local church a. Give them the **tools** to implement



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- In week two, new member begins reading plan in Appendix B (provide SOP books)



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- 1 Discipleship
- **Devotional Life**
 - 2 Bible
 - 3 Spirit of Prophecy
 - 4 Prayer
 - 5 Character Development
 - 6 Family Worship



Personal Witnessing

- 7 Mission and Identity of SDA Church
- 8 Call to Witness

Church Life

- 9 Importance of Attendance
- 10 Church Ordinances
- 11 Church Organization



Church Life (cont'd)

- 12 Adventist Church History
- 13 Adventist Church Ministries

Christian Lifestyle

- 14 Overview
- 15 Sabbath Observance
- 16 Reverence



Christian Lifestyle (cont'd)

- 17 Stewardship
- 18 Health
- 19 Modesty
- 20 Technology and Entertainment
- 21 Marriage and Family



Cycle of Evangelism

- 22 Overview
- 23 Preparing the Soil
- 24 Sowing the Seed
- 25 Cultivating Spiritual Interests
- 26 Harvest and Preserve

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