

THE PURPOSE FOR 2012

Pt.2 - RESPONSIBILITY

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Matthew 7: 24-27 (NIV)

^[24] "Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. ^[25] The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. ^[26] But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. ^[27] The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash."

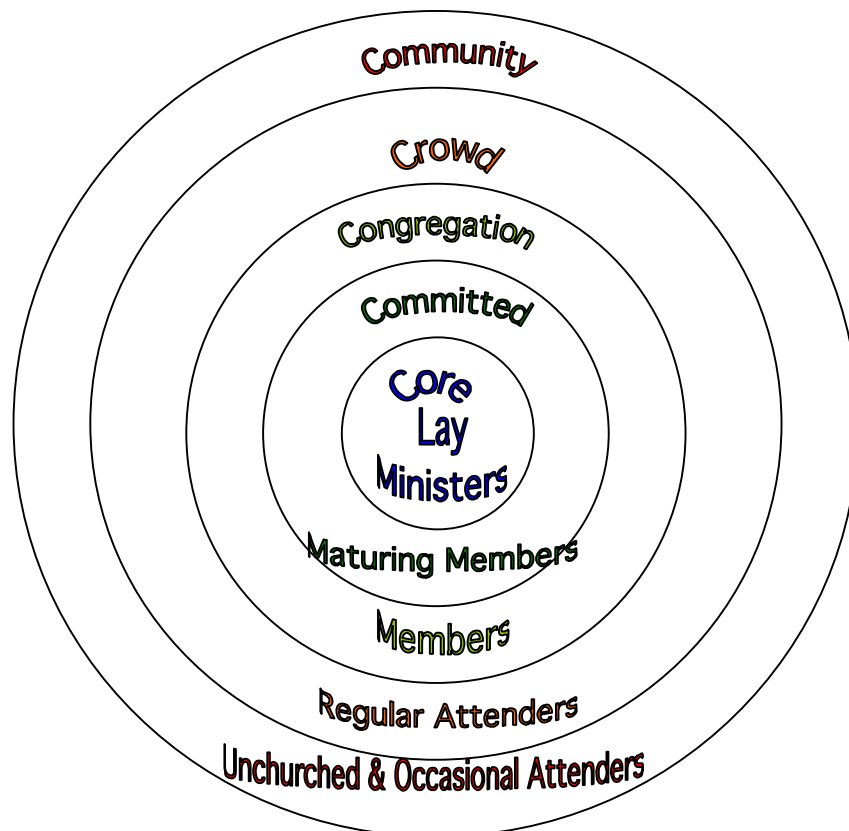
The #1 task of leadership is to continually clarify and communicate the purpose of the organization

1 Corinthians 1:10 (TLB)

^[10] But, dear brothers, I beg you in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ to stop arguing among yourselves. Let there be real harmony so that there won't be splits in the church. I plead with you to be of one mind, united in thought and purpose.

Philippians 3:13 (TLB)

^[13] No, dear brothers, I am still not all I should be, but I am bringing all my energies to bear on this one thing: Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead.



THE FIVE PURPOSES OF THE CHURCH

1. “THE COMMUNITY” – THE MISSION FIELD
EVANGELISM – BRIDGE EVENTS

Matthew 9:36-38 [NIV]

When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."

2. “THE CROWD” – THE REGULAR ATTENDERS
WORSHIP – SEEKER SENSITIVE SERVICES

John 4:23-24 (Heart & True Way)

“...The Father seeks worshipers...and His worshipers must worship Him in spirit and in truth.”

3. “THE CONGREGATION” - THOSE COMMITTED TO MEMBERSHIP
FELLOWSHIP – SMALL GROUP

Ephesians 2:19 (LB)

“...you are members of God's very own family...and you belong in God's household with every other Christian.

4. “THE COMMITTED” – THOSE COMMITTED TO MATURITY
DISCIPLESHIP – MINISTRY

Romans 8:29 (LB)

“For from the very beginning God decided that those who came to him...should become like his son...”

I Timothy 4:7 (PH)

“take the time and the trouble to keep yourself spiritually fit.”

5. “THE CORE” – THOSE ACTIVE IN MINISTRY
MINISTRY – SALT

John 13:35

“By this shall all men know that you are my disciples – that you have love for one another.”

I Peter 4:10 (LB)

“God has given each of you some special abilities: be sure to use them to help each other, passing on to others God’s many kinds of blessing.”

Matthew 20:28 (LB)

“(Jesus) Your attitude must be like my own, for I, the Messiah, did not come to be served, but to serve...”