Ministry Idea

E-groups

Here at Fishers we have started a new version of "work groups" or "service groups". In an effort "to equip the saints for the work of ministry, to build up the body of Christ" (Ephesians 4:12), we implemented these E-groups to make sure the needs of the congregation are being met and certain work is getting done. And not just by the elders, deacons, and evangelists. This is a way to pull in the whole church.

There are 3 groups the brothers and sisters were asked to choose to be a part of. Here they are and what they are responsible for:

Engagement

Main Goal: To service to the specific needs of our sick and shut-in brothers and sisters.

Tasks:

- 1) Regular check-ins with the elderly and shut-ins to ensure their needs are being met (i.e. groceries, landscaping, bills, etc...)
- 2) Out reach to the sick and shut-in volunteer to send cards or phone calls
- 3) Transportation Volunteer to give rides for those who need a ride to services.

Edification

Main Goal: To create opportunities for edification and fellowship among us. Tasks:

- 1) Building up and coordinating spiritual activities for our young people
- 2) Encouraging college students (away and at home)
- 3) Following-up with and encouraging the spiritually weak
- 4) Coordinate outreach and support for those who lose loved ones -Flowers, visits, meals, etc.

Evangelism

Main Goal: To actively follow up with visitors and create more Bible study opportunities.

Tasks:

- 1) Engaging and following up with visitors
- 2) Coordinating series of Bible studies for new converts
- 3) Integrating new members into the body (hospitality, opportunities to serve, ongoing Bible studies)
- 4) Identify places to represent Fishers CoC and offer up Bible studies, and organize participation therein (i.e. Spark Fishers & similar events)
- 5) Spiritual support and interfacing with men we support in preaching the gospel.

We meet every 1st Sunday night of the month after evening service, and each group is led by a deacon. Every month we have on-going tasks we follow up with and then from there we assign new tasks specific to our group for that current month.

We have already seen an uptick in involvement and even attendance. Sometimes brethren don't know what to do, and so it can be good to come along side of them and show them what we are supposed to be doing!

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