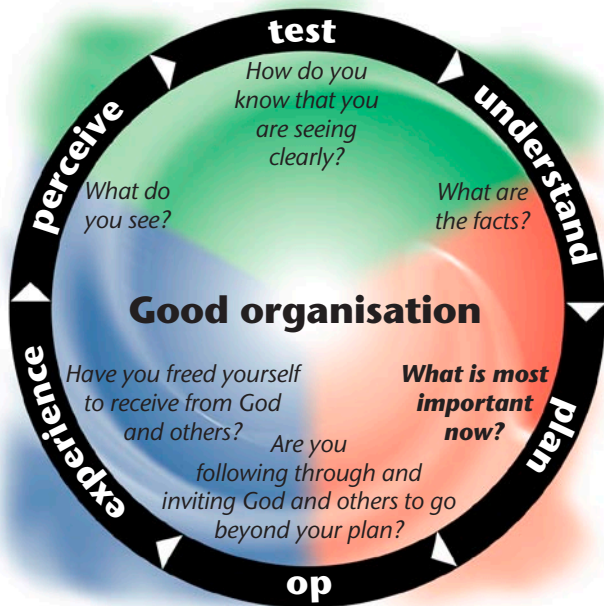


Cycle Starter Plans

Having understood your church a little better with the help of the NCD Church Survey, it's now time to start cycling together towards a healthier church. You've chosen to start experimenting and learning more about the topic to the left. Now, select one of the cycle starter plans below and write number 1 in its box. Put this sheet on your wall, then, go do it!

Next time you are meeting with others who are also working through a topic, ask each other the questions from the cycle, starting at "do" and finishing at "plan". After a cycle you may decide the most important thing to do now is to keep going with the same plan, modify it, or choose another option from below. If choosing another from below, just write 2 in its box and so on.

If you'd like more cycle starter options, or to work on another topic highlighted by your NCD Church Survey results, just visit ncdchurchsurvey.org/cycle-starters



- ☐ Aim for the goal of spending more than 50 percent of your ministry time developing other people to work in your specific area of ministry.
- ☐ Arrive early for the worship service ensuring you have time beforehand to relax and prepare yourself.
- ☐ Clearly determine and communicate when your leadership will meet to further discuss your NCD process and ask each other questions about their personal growth cycles.
- ☐ Consider what can be done through a sermon that cannot be done equally well or better through another forum of church life.
- ☐ Consider whether your church program is too full to allow the leaders to meet regularly with enough time to adequately reflect on the past and plan for the future of your church. Consider whether this quality versus quantity of ministry balance needs addressing.
- ☐ Develop a creative way of promoting your church's small groups, helping people to identify the unique details of each (e.g. meeting time and frequency, age group, gender, topics, format, etc.)
- ☐ Find one area of church life where communication is poor and work with the leadership to improve it.
- ☐ On a weekly basis, update those under your leadership as to the current priorities they should be focusing on. Ask them if there are other tasks that would also seem important to them at that time and resolve together where those points fit in the overall plan.

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Your Cycle Starter idea

November 2011 Suggested Cycle Starter Plans

