

Cycle Starter Plans

Having understood your church a little better with the help of the NCD Church Survey, its 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

Consider what visual messages the musicians and singers leading the worship service are sending to the congregation.
Create a survey for your congregation to discover the top 20 most inspiring worship songs, hymns or pieces of music. For a time during worship services, invite respondants to share why a piece of music inspires them and then feature it.
Help your congregation understand that inspiring worship services depend upon every person bringing along their unique gift-based offering of worship to bless God and encourage the church. Help individuals to discover what their offering might be and how it could be expressed regularly before, during, or after the formal part of the service.
Read Ephesians 3:20. Pray the general prayer to God that He will do something in your life which is more than you could ask or imagine so that you are renewed in your service to Him.
Record stories you hear in your church about people experiencing God in their lives. Consider only those stories you hear first hand. If in doubt, check the details with the person.
Share with someone close to you about a time of personal or public prayer that was inspiring for you and see if you can express why it was.
Take the 3colorsofyourspirituality.org Spiritual Style Test on your own or in a group. Natural Church Development
Think about parts of your life that you (and God might) find boring or unchallenging. Consider what kind of challenge you would need to undertake that would require you to rely more on God and work together more as a team.
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