

World Harvest Training Center

Ministry of Helps Department

Restructuring Ministry of Helps

With all of the exciting things currently taking place it is easy to get busy and allow ourselves to become satisfied with the way things are going, but with the expansion of not only our church building, but our vision itself, we need to aspire to excellence in ministry in every area.

Although we've been faithful with our monthly assignments, we are restructuring the department so that we have overseers in every ministry area – overseers that will lead a ministry team that will take charge in an assigned ministry area.

We Know How to Improve

It's happened to all of us...we're in the middle of ushering when we think of a great way to improve the way we currently do things...and we then either, (1) forget to tell anyone about it, (2) tell someone who will then forget, or (3) forget it entirely – or at least until the next time we usher. We may really like the idea of wearing suits while ushering...or at the least wearing tags (those Christmas ones were nice, weren't they?)...in fact, we each can probably think of a dozen ways that our ushering and greeting can be improved upon! Although we know those improvements would greatly improve – not only our visitors' first impressions, but even our own pride in our local body – we just forget about them or hold on to them because we don't have the authority to make the changes and know that those that do are busy doing too much already!

This happens in EVERY area of ministry! Ever thought of a way we can improve on our Love Feast fellowships? Seen something in the nursery that was needed? Found an item / toy that should be replaced or removed from little hands (and mouths?) Or maybe you've seen ways to improve other things – the church building, the play area, the outside landscaping, the fellowship hall, etc. Perhaps you have a talent for decorating and have ideas on how we can make the foyer / sanctuary more inviting...or a knack for organizing and promoting church events / fellowships...or you've always been good at writing and would like to see our church bulletins and website filled with more information? The opportunities to improve and make a difference are limitless!

Making a Difference

Instead of passing these responsibilities / ministries over from person to person each week or service, we want a team to form that has a certain ministry at heart. Whether it be a group of older gentlemen taking on the weekly greeting / ushering...or a pair of couples dedicated to visiting our loved ones in hospitals or nursing homes...or a group of moms getting together to make the nursery the best it can be...we're not limiting these teams to deacons – or to couples necessarily – all we ask is that it be an area of ministry that is in each team member's heart.

Teams will become tight-knit “clubs” where the members will get together regularly (once or twice a month depending on the area of ministry) with a leader who has the authority (and soon – a budget) to implement all the great ideas and improvements needed to make our ministries of helps first-class to the glory and honor of God!

So what's on your heart? Visit with Melissa, or Pastors Jon and Marissa to state your area of interest. Not everyone need be on a team – we only want those who WANT to and WILL make a difference. The pastors and leaders will be led by the Spirit in forming these teams and will get back to you concerning your requests. We praise God for His Wisdom in implementing our new Ministry of Helps Department and for the excellence in ministry it will produce.