

"BRICK BY BRICK"

"You also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ."

– 1 Peter 2:5 –

PART ONE – The Importance and Blessings of Having a Solid Foundation

PRESENTER – Steve Hewig (90 minutes)

Ephesians 2:19-22 – *"You are no longer foreigners and aliens, but fellow citizens with God's chosen people and members of God's household, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit."*

MINISTRY FOCUS – "Gathering and Serving"

Worship (planning and involving, gathering together, elder work, delinquents)
Education (Cradle to Grave)
Stewardship of Time & Talent
Opportunities to involve all members in ministry
Congregational Structure

PART TWO – The Importance and Benefits of Having a Clear Blueprint

PRESENTER – Steve Hewig (90 minutes)

Romans 12:5-8 – *"In Christ we who are many form one body and each member belongs to all the others. We have different gifts according to the grace given us. If a man's gift is prophesying, let him use it in proportion to his faith. If it is serving, let him serve; if it is teaching, let him teach; if it is encouraging, let him encourage; if it is contributing to the needs of others, let him give generously; if it is leadership, let him govern diligently; if it is showing mercy, let him do it cheerfully."*

MINISTRY FOCUS – "Planning and Equipping"

Assessing Strengths, Needs, Challenges (of the congregation, the members, and the community)
Outreach and Evangelism (Worship Welcome, Come & Go Strategies, Prospect Lists, Promotion)
Training Project Managers, Sub-Contractors, and Construction Workers
Addressing Facility, Finances, and Staff
Developing and Using a Ministry Plan (month to month, one-year, five-year)
Reporting and Accountability
Working Together (within a congregation, with other congregations)

PART THREE – The Importance and Need of Having Trained Called Workers

PRESENTER – Phil Hirsch (30 minutes)

Ephesians 4:11-12 – *"It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, to prepare God's people for works of service so that the body of Christ may be built up."*

MINISTRY FOCUS – "Training and Calling"

Supporting our Worker Training System (CMO, prayers, communication)
Recruiting young people in our congregations to consider serving in the public ministry
Understanding Assignment and Calling Process
Addressing Vacancies, Closings, Consolidating, and Partnering
Stressing the Importance of Called Worker Assessments and Bios