## Men's Ministry Resources Kit



Here is a partial list of team or small group mission projects or ministries in which the men from your local congregation can get involved

- Prayer Ministry
- Sports
- Prison Ministries
- Youth Ministry
- Disaster Relief
- Sharing Your Faith
- Hospital Visitation
- Church Construction
- Group Ministry Weekly Men's Bible Study
- Discipling One-on-One Discipling/Mentoring
- Technical/AV Ministry
- Music and Praise Band Ministry.

### What Should You Do in Starting a Men's Small Group?

#### **Start with Prayer**

Get a group of interested men together with your pastor and begin to pray regularly that the Lord will guide you in this important endeavour.

Form a Team of Leaders and Develop a Plan

- Obtain and Read Several Resources
- Get Every Man's Input Brainstorm
- Survey the Men of the Church
- Establish a Purpose for Your Ministry
- Structure and Timeline Your Ministry
- Assign Responsibilities
- Plan the Kickoff

#### **Remember These Essentials**

- Christ-Centered
- Prayer and Purpose Driven
- Called, Motivated and Trained Leader(s)
- Open to and Relevant to All Men
- Sustained by Trusting, Christ-Centered Relationships
- Balanced Outreach, Spiritual Growth and Missions
- Active, Supportive Pastor
- Well Planned Gatherings
- Good Communications

Key Point: "Ministry to Men" as well as "Ministry by Men" (Heart then Hands- Relationship First)

# 8 ways of Developing a 'Male-Friendly' Men's Ministry to meet men's needs.

Several churches have established their men's ministry by including both "ministry to men" and "ministry by men." These eight steps have resulted in a male-friendly and balanced men's ministry.

- **Step 1:** Form a weekly prayer group with the pastor and a few men to seek God's guidance for men in ministry and leadership roles.
- **Step 2:** Encourage your pastor to send a letter to all males in the church, urging them to work together in ministry to assist each other grow in Christ (Prov. 27:17).
- **Step 3:** Conduct a needs survey among the guys in the congregation. Learn about men's wants and needs. Make ensuring that your ministry addresses their individual needs.
- **Step 4:** Pray for leaders, as Jesus did when he called them. (Luke 6:12-16)

Begin small, progress slowly.

**Step 5:** Create a biblically-based purpose statement centered on God's goals for disciples (Matthew 28:19-20). (Create, develop, and multiply disciples; evangelize, establish, equip, and extend; outreach, discipleship, ministry, and missions). Incorporate balance into your ministry's purpose.

**Step 6:** Form small groups and schedule frequent gathering times. Expand on existing groups, such as male Sabbath School Teacher, Elders and Deacons, to provide a more comprehensive and balanced ministry.

**Step 7**: Find and match resources to fulfill your needs. Define "what do men want/need and what does God want men to be?" Use available resources to train, disciple, and nurture men in ministry. Individual, small group, and huge gatherings.

**Step 8**: Select a primary topic for each year and quarter. Promote creatively and review periodically. Celebrate achievements!

May God bless you with success in your small group!!!