



**Community Praise Center
Seventh-day Adventist Church**

Mastering the Mission

MINISTRY TITLE: Little Lambs Coordinator

MINISTRY SUMMARY: To nurture our children into a loving and serving relationship with Jesus through Bible stories and practical lessons.

MINISTRY DUTIES:

1. Demonstrates a concern for child safety by completing the Volunteer Ministry Information Form and returning it when asked, and by observing the Guidelines for Volunteers and Caregivers.
2. Represents Little Lambs Ministry on the Children's Ministries Committee,
3. Plans positive learning experiences through the use of Bible stories and lessons that apply to the daily lives of the children.
4. Use methods and materials that teach to learning styles and the varied spiritual and educational levels of children ages 3 – 9 years of age.
5. Recruits volunteers and coordinates storytelling schedule
6. Works closely with the First Service Coordinators and the Children's Ministries Coordinator.
7. Attends a conference children's ministries workshop where the art of storytelling is demonstrated.

SPIRITUAL GIFTS DESIRED: A passion for children and children's ministries; an attitude of servant leadership and ability to communicate with children.

ACCOUNTABLE TO: Children's Ministries Committee and Children's Ministries Coordinator



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MINISTRY TITLE: Praise Team

MINISTRY SUMMARY: The sole purpose of the praise team is to lead the congregation into the presence of God. The praise service headed up by the praise team is an integral part of the entire worship service at CPC. The praise service sets the tone of worship. It should be no longer than 20-25 minutes of total praise and worship to God. This segment prepares the congregation's hearts to receive God as we invite His presence into our worship service.

MINISTRY DUTIES:

True Praise & Worship

...sets the mind on God and things above. It helps us fight the battle of spiritual warfare. It promotes feelings of joy and thanksgiving. True praise and worship always exalts God. It is vertical only that means directly from us to God's throne.

...prostrates man before God. True praise and worship focuses on man's praise and exhortation to God, leaving feelings of victory, joy and thanksgiving. True praise and worship creates a continuous *flow*. *Flow*- is a self-reinforcing highly pleasurable loss of self consciousness experienced by people absorbed in worship and praise.

The Praise Cycle

...bring them in, lift them up, give God the glory, and prepare to invite Him to worship

with us. Praise songs should progress in a way that evokes a cycle. This cycle should move from songs of *celebration to adoration*. Praise time can begin with the welcome song (not required) and then consist of 3-4 selection that create and maintain a continuous flow while following the praise cycle. Each should prepare the hearts and minds of the congregation to seek and behold God's presence in His holy temple.

It is important that the praise service ministers to all participants including the praise team. The tone of praise and worship has to radiate from the team members in order for the congregation to sincerely and actively participate.

The team members should be of one mind and one accord. All should be prepared spiritually to set the tone of worship. The team should work together to not only have a harmonious sound, but to develop a relationship of harmony among each other that accentuates the praise service at all times.

Praise Songs

Songs for each Sabbath can be selected in two ways:

- 1) By theme- the songs can focus on a consistent theme- God's Love;
- 2) By key- songs can flow together in similar keys that compliment each other.

All songs will be selected from a pool of praise songs that will be developed by suggestions from the music ministry team, praise team members, and congregation through the means of a suggestion box.

Rehearsals

Each praise team will have *required* rehearsals with the church pianist on the *Thursday before* their assigned Sabbath. There will also be a warm up rehearsal *prior to service* on the *Sabbath the team serves*. Other rehearsals can be held without the assistance of the church pianist and at the discretion of the praise team leader and/or coordinator.

Just as the praise team sets the tone of worship and praise for the church, the praise team leader sets the tone of worship and praise for the team.

Let us all work together to honor God and make His ministry of praise through song a testament of his greatness and faithfulness to us. Also remember to have fun, be energetic and praise God with all your heart.

SPIRITUAL GIFTS DESIRED: A bountiful personal devotional life.

ACCOUNTABLE TO: Worship Leader



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MINISTRY TITLE: Head of Usher Ministry

MINISTRY SUMMARY: Ushering is a wonderful opportunity to minister to members and visitors by way of our attitude. A smile and a gracious greeting is a very warm welcome to church and by giving everyone a heartfelt welcome, we help set the tone of the congregation. Ushering is also a great way to get to know your church family through assisting and serving them on a regular basis. The ministry's purpose is also to assist the pastor and pastoral staff, to meet, greets and assist visitors and members, to maintain order and reverence and to lead by example. We are considered Levites and therefore the gatekeepers of God's sanctuary.

MINISTRY DUTIES:

1. Assist members and visitors in finding seating in the sanctuary and overflow rooms.
2. Control traffic flow in and out of the sanctuary.
3. Support pastoral staff, fellow ministry leaders, deacons and/or deaconesses as needed during the course of services, such as distributing handouts, delivering messages, etc.
4. Support church events such as concerts, crusades, Week of Prayer and funerals.
5. Work in conjunction with the deacons to maintain reverence in the sanctuary, worship areas and lobby.

SPIRITUAL GIFTS DESIRED: A patient, humble and positive attitude that can maintain under pressure, marked with a passion to serve others

ACCOUNTABLE TO: Pastoral Staff



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MINISTRY TITLE: INTERCESSORY PRAYER LEADER

MINISTRY SUMMARY: Consistency in prayer on behalf of every ministry of the church.

MINISTRY DUTIES:

- Ministry members begin at 8:45 am in Room 204 with a short scriptural lesson study.
- Each participant prays for the sick and shut-in, various ministries, and those persons and situations on the prayer list.
- We pray silently during, or before the sermon, and during alter call.

SPIRITUAL GIFTS DESIRED: An enjoyment of prayer for others.

ACCOUNTABLE TO: Pastoral Staff



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MINISTRY TITLE: Video Ministry

MINISTRY SUMMARY: The video ministry is a ministry for those who want to help plant the Lord's seeds in video recording/broadcasts. In 2003 the Lord blessed our church with the ability to bring a part of the worship service to those who have chosen to be like the Bereans "in that they receive the word with all readiness of mind and search the scriptures daily, whether those things were so." (Acts 17:11) To do this we provide video recording of both the Family Worship and Traditional Worship Service by a dedicated staff. We also provide video recordings of special events, concerts or editorials requested by other church ministries.

MINISTRY DUTIES:

1. First and most important know that we are in the service for the Lord to reach others everywhere.
2. Arrive 1-hour prior to 1st service to conduct video set-up and testing of cameras and other equipment. Being on time is very important. As you become more familiar with recording you will be taught the responsibility for the video mixer's duty.
3. If you've recorded a family member, friend or relative or an event using a video camera then you are ideal for this ministry.
4. From time to time be willing to spend a little of your own time, usually after church, to assist with the recording of concerts, special events and/or editorial request.
5. Our goal is to get better and better with every recording. This calls for the video technician's undivided attention when behind the camera or on the video mixer board.

SPIRITUAL GIFTS DESIRED: Friendly and willingness for the Lord to use your skills. The gift of helpfulness, ability understands the magnitude of this ministry. Reliability

ACCOUNTABLE TO: Pastoral Staff



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MINISTRY TITLE: Greeters

MINISTRY SUMMARY: The greeters are to welcome visitors and members to CPC as they enter and leave the church. The greeters will be attentive to the needs of our visitors and members.

MINISTRY DUTIES:

1. Welcome visitors with a warm, friendly smile.
2. Provide bulletins to families as they enter the church.
3. Give direction, instruction, or assistance as need to visitors to ensure they are welcome.
4. Encourage visitors to sign our welcome book/visitor information cards.
5. Assist deacons with showing reverence in the foyer, ie; noise levels.
6. As needed, will assist with special events outside of normal worship service

SPIRITUAL GIFTS DESIRED: Love, hospitality

ACCOUNTABLE TO: Minister of Music



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MINISTRY TITLE: Silent Praise Deaf Ministry

MINISTRY SUMMARY: Silent Praise Deaf Ministry was established August 1, 2004 and formally called “Praising God the Deaf Way.” Silent Praise was formed to meet the needs of the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing (target audience) worshippers and prospective member. The mission is to reach the Deaf and Hard of Hearing with the gospel of Jesus Christ and to bring awareness and sensitivity of and for the target audience to the CPC congregation. To evangelize to the deaf community by training the members of CPC and the deaf to share the gospel with other deaf people by serving, studying, worshiping and fellowship.

MINISTRY DUTIES:

- To reach deaf people/Hard of Hearing for Jesus Christ.
- Each one, bring one - Each member of Silent Praise will bring a deaf person to CPC
- To train CPC members ASL to enhance communication with deaf people or Hard of Hearing in order to achieve the other goals.
- Provide fluent ASL interpreters
- To ensure deaf people or Hard of Hearing feel welcomed, treasured, and respected
- To develop a strong Deaf Ministry at CPC that supports the target audience through the refreshing, renewing and reforming power of the Holy Spirit.
- To become a catalyst for inclusion of people with disabilities as outlined by the North American Division Commission for People with Disabilities (cognitive, hidden, mobility, psychological, speech, and visual).
- Establish a regular interpretive schedule by acquiring multiple interpreters
- Closed Caption (Display songs and other literature on the screen)
- Establish activities such as Deaf luncheons., Teas and/or other socials.
- Silent Praise members will fellowship with other deaf churches.

SPIRITUAL GIFTS DESIRED: To encourage those with hearing difficulties

ACCOUNTABLE TO: Minister of Music

