

# Reaping Meeting Thinking

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## Why Reaping Meetings?

Adventist Churches grow differently. We grow differently because of our theology and because of our lifestyle issues. Most non-Adventist churches spend their most significant dollars on their biggest outreach event – their Sunday morning service. When a non-churched person thinks of going to church, they think Sunday mornings, not Sabbath mornings.

Our theology demands that we grow differently for these reasons:

1. We believe differently than most of the other churches in many different areas
2. We aren't asking people to just come on Saturday like other churches who have Saturday night services, we're asking for a 24 hour commitment
3. Adventism is built around a complete picture of the Bible, law and grace. It takes most people time to process some of this information.

Seventh-day Adventist were raised up to preach a message of prophetic hope – in the Three Angel's messages of Revelation 14. It's a message of Grace that saves and Grace that changes. It's a message of the soon coming of Jesus and a message of God's helpful and hope-filled law.

Reaping meetings are the best place to teach that. They are our "Seeker Services" that happen for 4-6 weeks 2-3 times a year. They are our extra staff, when we bring in an outside speaker. They are the primary way we teach information and settle new people into the truth of Jesus as we understand it.

## Preparing for Reaping Meetings

On the following pages, you will find information regarding getting ready for a series of reaping meetings. They include finding a location, developing a budget, building teams, and getting ready.

## About the Budget...

Most people tell me that Reaping doesn't work anymore. The traditional meetings of 4-5 nights a week for 4-6 weeks just don't fit into our busy lifestyle anymore. But when I begin to quiz them about this, I find that they aren't spending the money to get the crowd out to the meetings. In other words, they tell me that their budget was \$5,000-\$7,000 and they can't figure out what happens and why it doesn't work.

I have found that the most important dollar you spend is the advertising dollars and you need to spend enough to get a busy crowd out to the meetings. On a rough scale, I won't spend less than \$30,000 for a series of meetings anymore. The exception to that is if you have a location that is easy to get to, if you have a name in the community that is already positive, if you have an accomplished speaker on staff so that you don't have to bring in an outside speaker, or you have a built-in crowd, you may get by with less. Other than those issues, my rule of thumb is SPEND THE MONEY!

In fact, at The Adventure, our most cost effective method of evangelism (including servant evangelism, friendship evangelism, creative forms of evangelism, reaping, etc.) has been reaping meetings – dollar for dollar.

## But They All Leave Within a Year...right?

The numbers at The Adventure show that after 7 years in existence, we've kept nearly 70% of all our baptisms. That means we come out on the winning side everytime. Russell Burrill, church growth expert from Andrews University, has shown similar numbers for all of Adventism. What often happens is that within a year, these people are involved, well integrated, and most forget that they've only been there a year. Why? Because they've gotten involved and they are some of our most on-fire people. We now can't imagine the church operating without them, therefore our conclusion is that it could never have operated without them – they must have been here a long time....

## **Doesn't it Only Attract the Retired, Unemployed or Socially Unique people?**

The accusation is this – only people who don't have anything else to do with their evenings can come to these meetings – people with kids, people with jobs, people who have a social life won't come. At The Adventure, we've found that to be totally false. We have a congregation with an average age of 30, and our primary method of growth has been Reaping Meetings. This certainly isn't just a retirement community, and we have a TON of small kids. We aren't a socially unique crowd, but a crowd that is on fire for spreading God's kingdom message.

# The Church Year

- Training/Discipleship/Bridge Events (Jan-Mar 15)
- Evangelism (Mar 15-April 30)
- Discipleship (May-Jun)
- Training/Bridge/Discipleship/VBS Events (Jun 15-Sept 10)
- Evangelism (Sep 15-Oct 15)
- Discipleship (Nov-Dec)

# Evangelism Seminar System 3.0

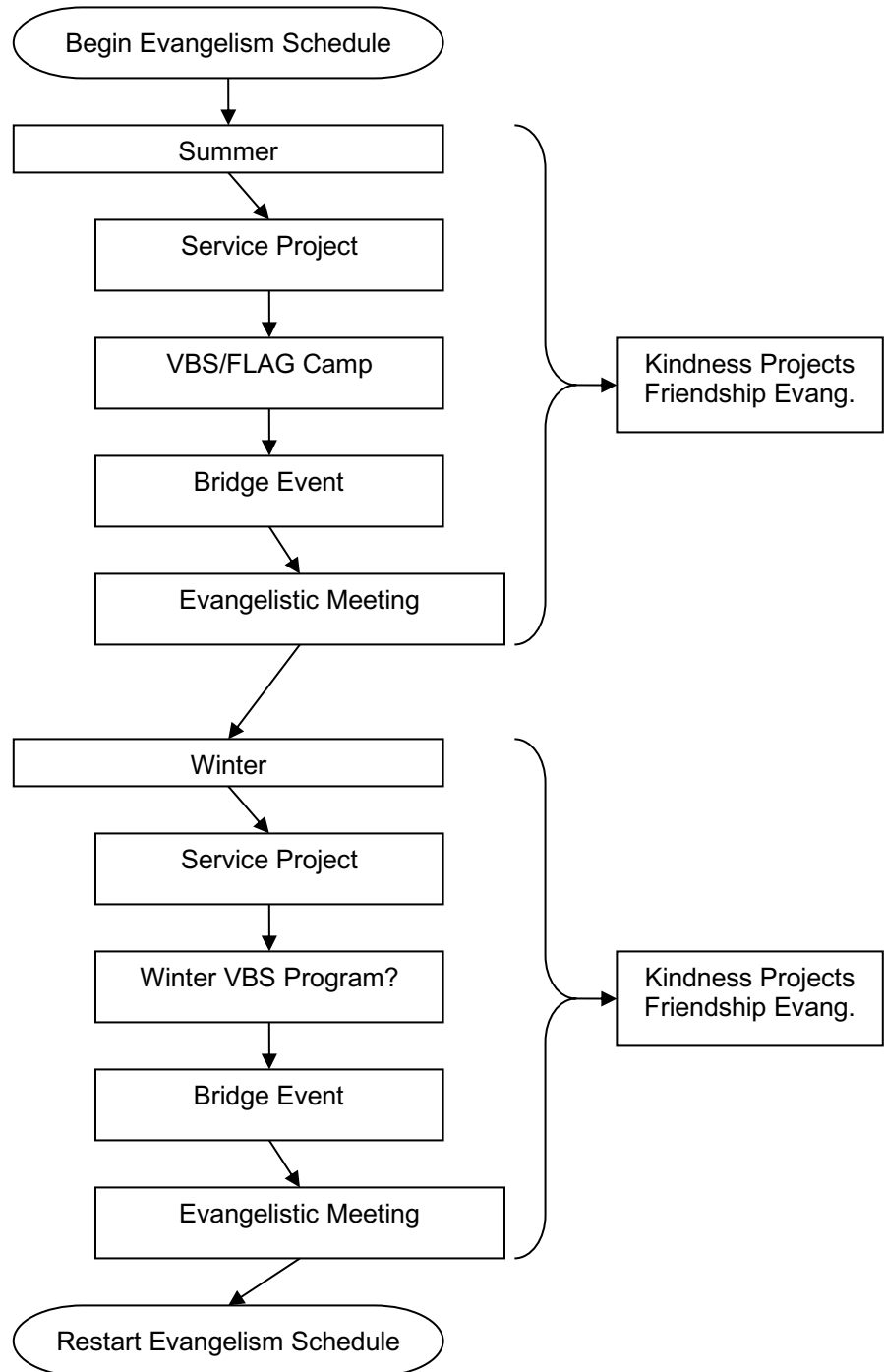
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■ Pastoral Staff, ■ Office Staff, ■ Evangelism Team

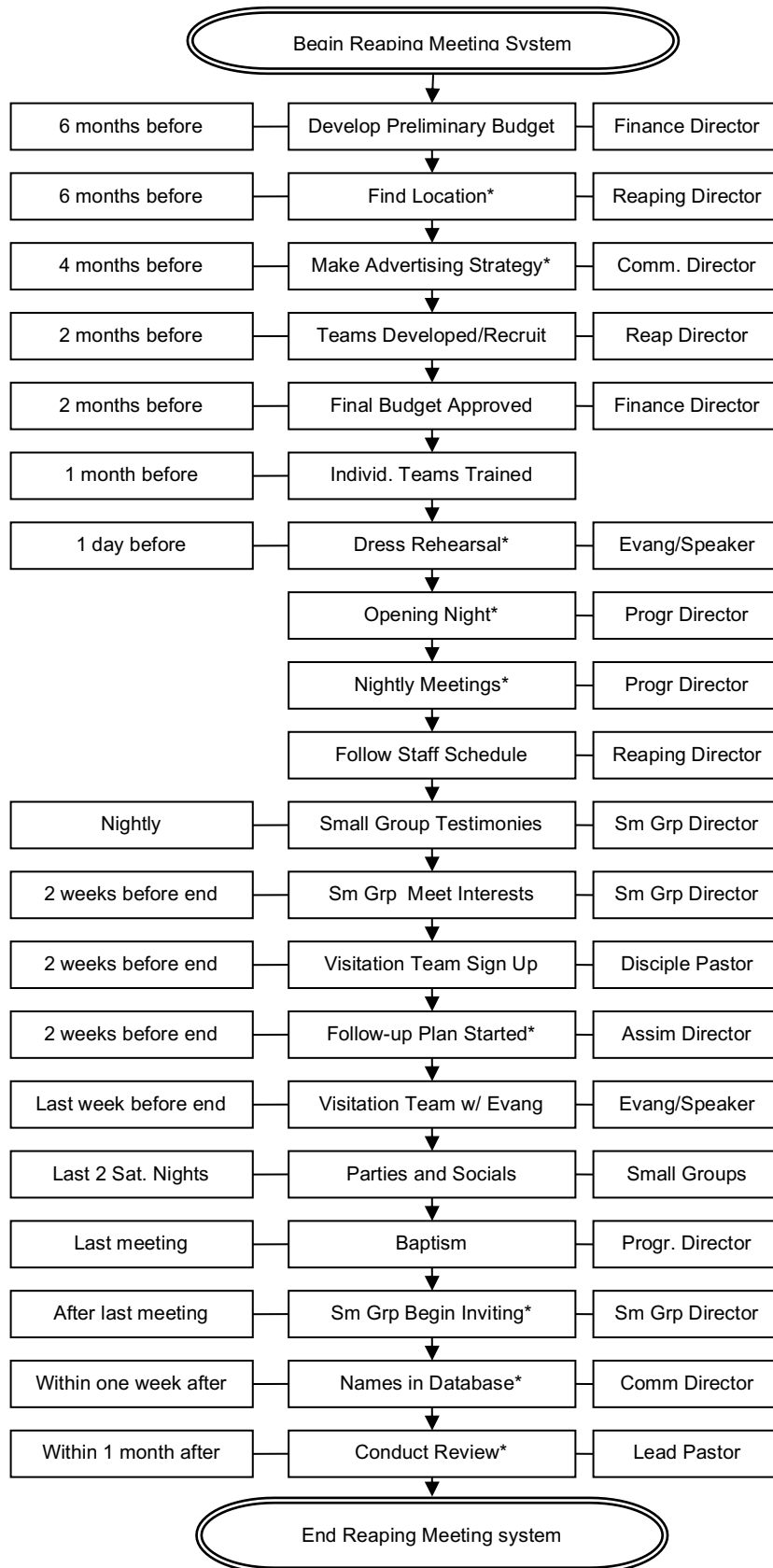
1. **6 Months Before** ■
  - a. Evangelism Team Develops Preliminary Budget
  - b. Determine speaker (if not before)
2. **4 Months Before** ■
  - a. Make Advertising Strategy
    - i. Going to just do mailing?
    - ii. Doing TV, Radio, or Newspaper too?
    - iii. Billboards?
    - iv. Websites, Social Media?
  - b. Determine Zip Codes for Mailing
  - c. Determine Brochure Used
  - d. Conduct a Bridge Event ■
3. **2 Months Before** ■■
  - a. Team Development
    - i. Teams Needed:
      1. Children's Ministry Coordinator (1) Children's Team (2-4/week)
      2. Book and Tape Table (1-2)
      3. Greeters (4-5 opening 2-3 nights, 3 after that)
      4. Set Up Team (3-7 people)
      5. Cleaning Team (2-5 people)
      6. Visitation Teams (3-5 teams of 2)
      7. Refreshments (2 per week)
      8. Announcements (3)
      9. Ushers (2 per section)
      10. Registration Table (4-6 opening 2-3 nights, 2-4 after that)
      11. (Optional) Row Hosts (1/2 rows of pews)
    - b. Order Brochures ■
    - c. Order Materials, handouts, Bibles, etc. ■
    - d. Conduct a Bridge Event ■
4. **1 Month Before** ■■
  - a. Teams Trained for their respective positions – hand out their Delegation Sheets, and go over it with the leader
  - b. Mailing to last 3-4 series prepared (*will be mailed out two weeks in advance of seminar*)
5. **3 Weeks Before** ■
  - a. Visit the previous Baptized people and invite them back or invite them to invite new people to come.
6. **2 Weeks Before**
  - a. Mail to prior series attendees ■
7. **1 Week Before**
  - a. Make Sure all Schedules are finalized and help fill in any as needed ■
8. **1-2 Days Before** ■■
  - a. Dress Rehearsal
9. **Nightly** ■■
  - a. Small Group Testimonials generic, leading up to testimonies of the Sabbath
  - b. New Small Group Leaders meet with Interests and get to know them to invite to group
  - c. Offerings as called for
  - d. Ushers as needed for cards, calls, offerings, etc. – should be planned out 2-3 weeks before seminar begins
  - e. Social time at least once/week
10. **Last Week of Seminar** ■
  - a. Small Group Leaders begin inviting the key guests and going easy on those that have not decided yet.
  - b. Begin inviting to Bible Marking Class
11. **1 Week after** ■
  - a. Begin Bible Marking Class
12. **1 Month afterwards** ■■
  - a. Names in Connection Power Database as needed
  - b. Names in future mailing list
  - c. Review Conducted of this seminar ■

# Evangelism Schedule

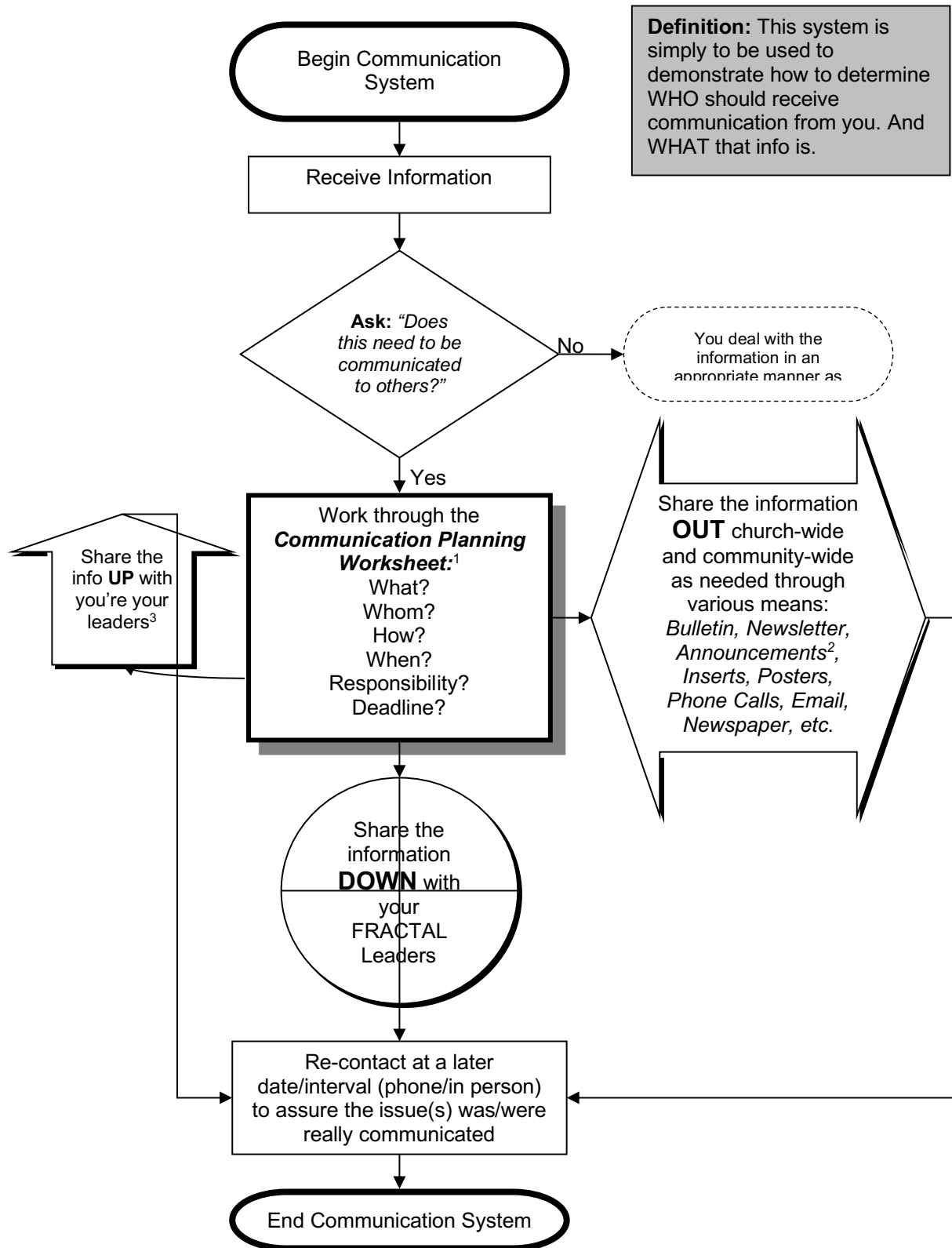
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# Evangelistic Seminar System



# Communication System 1.3



<sup>1</sup> See Communication Planning Worksheet (Excel Template)

<sup>2</sup> See Preparing Announcement Process and the Announcement Process

<sup>3</sup> Your Leaders are: for the **Coordinators** → **their Director**, for the **Directors** → **their Area Leader**, for the **Area Leader** → **the Lead Pastor**, for the **Lead Pastor** → **the Board**



## Ministry Area: Evangelism

### Team: Reaping

#### Ministry Position Description 1.0

Department Team Name:	Reaping
Team Leader:	Evangelism Area Leader
<b>POSITION:</b>	<b>REAPING DIRECTOR</b>
Team Leading:	Reaping
Ministry Purpose:	To passionately seek the lost and present them with the whole gospel message
Position Summary:	To coordinate regular evangelistic/reaping meetings at The Adventure

#### S.H.A.P.E. Profile Desired

Spiritual Gifts:	Leadership, Administration, Communication
Heart Passions:	Lost People, The Seventh-day Adventist Message
Ability:	Coordination, Following Time-Lines, Schedules, Making decisions
Personality:	Task Oriented, Structured
Experience:	Leading groups, decisions making, Oversight of people and Teams

Approximate Time/Week:	2-4+ Hours a week
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#### Primary Responsibilities:

1. Coordinate calendar of upcoming evangelistic/reaping meetings
2. Build a team of people who will support the ongoing work of preparation for the meetings
3. Coordinate the different ministry teams in the church to help in the meetings (i.e. greeters, children's leaders, small group leaders/teams, etc.)
4. Run the to-do-list generated by the Pastor for Evangelism (i.e. phone calls, coordinating dates, location finding, most of it is done from home)
5. Find locations for meetings
6. Make sure all ordering for the meetings is taken care of (i.e. Bibles, lessons, handouts, etc.)
7. Coordinate the setup and tear down of the facility used (i.e. Tables, chairs, book table, sound system, video equipment, etc.)
8. Stay in close communication with the Evangelism Area Leader about the progress of what's happening in preparation
9. Schedule speakers (up to 3 years out) in conjunction with Evangelism Area Leader and Senior Pastor
10. Attend Monthly Director's Meetings (1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month)
11. Coordinate Reaping Team meetings to delegate and report on work being done.
12. Coordinate location and time for baptisms following the meetings
13. Different Teams to Coordinate: Auditorium Set up/Tear Down, Child Care, Info Table, Data Entry, Follow-up, Refreshments, Greeters, Music, Handouts, Audio/Visual, Parking, Prayer, Ushers,
14. Maintain a regular Devotional Life!
- 15.
- 16.



# Delegation Planning Worksheet

Nightly Opening

<b>Description of Project</b>	<b>Delegated to</b>
To make sure the building is open: Lights on, heat turned on, and doors unlocked as well.	Deacons
<b>Significance of project and relative priority to other projects</b>	
The biggest thing we want to avoid is a cold or dark building as the guests or helpers are coming in.	
<b>Objectives/Results Expected</b>	<b>Completion Deadline</b>
Turn on all lights in building (hallways to bathrooms, office, lobby, Worship Center) Turn on parking lot lights (if needed) Unlock all front doors and other needed doors Secure the building Turn off the alarm Turn on heat – at least 40 minutes before start of meeting time	
<b>Resources Available (people, time, money, training, etc.)</b>	
Pastoral Staff, Office Staff, Deacons	
<b>Authority granted to complete Project (over resources, budget, etc.)</b>	
<b>Identification of parties to notify about delegation of authority (parties affected)</b>	
Pastoral Staff	
<b>Potential Obstacles and Solutions</b>	
Everyone is gone, but the speaker, who is talking to someone: Turn off all lights, except where they are, and a lighted pathway to the front door. Make sure the front doors are locked. Make sure they know how to set the alarm.	
<b>Ideas for Project</b>	
1. A team of 4-6 people. 2. Each person serves one night per week 3. Might be a different person than Closing Person, to avoid burnout 4. If someone is there before they get there, just double-check things 5. If someone is there before they get there, regularly, it's okay to ask them to do pieces of this and save time. 6.	
<b>Checkpoints of Major Activity Completion</b>	<b>Target Dates</b>
1. Schedule Created	October 20
2.	
3.	
4.	

<b>Communication Plan</b>		
<b>Parties to Keep Informed</b>	<b>Method</b>	<b>Frequency</b>
Pastors	Email, phone or text	Weekly who is doing this

# Delegation Planning Worksheet

Nightly Closing

<b>Description of Project</b>	<b>Delegated to</b>
This team of people will come whenever they want each night, but no later than 15 minutes after the close of the meeting and close the building, being the last person (essentially) to leave. If someone is left in the building, they still need to turn off all lights (interior and exterior) except where the people are, still lock the doors, and still make sure everyone else has left the building.	Deacons
<b>Significance of project and relative priority to other projects</b>	
Often times the speaker or the pastors are the last to leave, they are working hard at getting the decisions, they don't need more to do when it's time to go home.	
<b>Objectives/Results Expected</b>	<b>Completion Deadline</b>
Turn off all lights in building Turn off parking lot lights (if on) Lock all doors Secure the building Set the alarm (unless anyone is left in the building)	
<b>Resources Available (people, time, money, training, etc.)</b>	
Pastoral Staff, Office Staff, Deacons	
<b>Authority granted to complete Project (over resources, budget, etc.)</b>	
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<b>Ideas for Project</b>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A team of 4-6 people.</li> <li>2. Each person serves one night per week</li> <li>3. Attend whole meeting, or at least show up 15 minutes after close of meeting</li> <li>4. If someone is still there, shut off all other lights, let them know they need to secure the building, but everything else is done (doors locked, lights off, etc.)</li> </ol>	
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## Reaping Meeting Nightly Meetings

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5:15	Staff of EVERY area arrives Children's Ministry Greeters Book and Tape Table Up Front People
5:15	Prayer Time
5:20-25	Set up – nightly handouts, tape table, auditorium, etc
5:20	Greeters in place
5:30	Canned Music Begins Greet People in Lobby Greet People in Auditorium Announcements Scroll on Screen
5:50	Speaker Group Prayer Time
6:00	Welcome and Announcements
6:07	Quiz
6:10	Q & A
<b>6:15</b>	<b>Message Begins</b>
7:00-8:15	Canned Music Begins IMMEDIATELY after message ends Greet People in Auditorium Greet People in Lobby
about 7:30	Prayer and Debrief for 10 Minutes Go Home

# Reaping Meetings – List of Jobs

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Children's Ministry Coordinator – 1

Nightly Leaders – 1

Nightly Helpers – 2, 3

Music Person(s) – 1+

Resource – 2, 3

Greeters – 4, 5 opening night, 3 every night after that (depending on size of auditorium)

Auditorium Set Up – 2-3

Cleaning/Close-up – 2-3/night

Visitation Team – 5-7

Row Hosts – 1 per 25 chairs

Refreshments – 2 per night/week

Announcements – 3

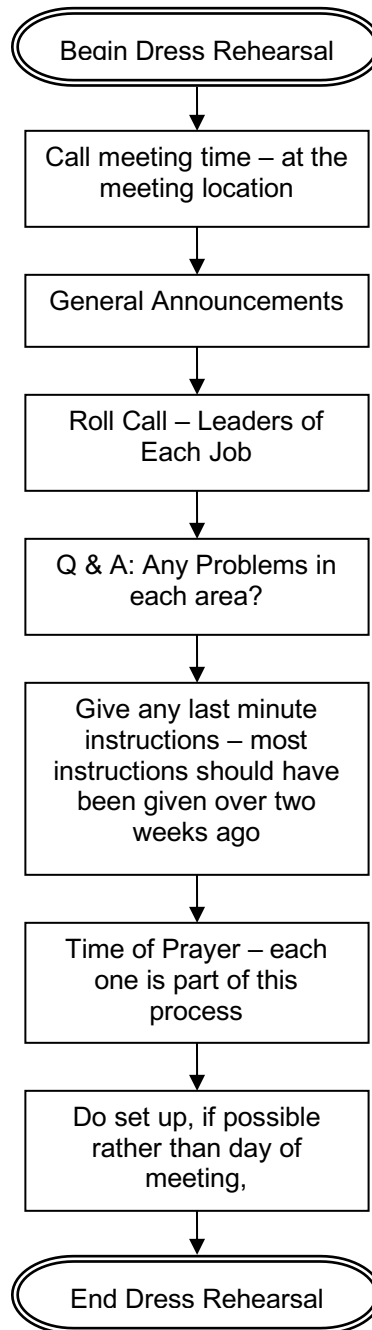
Ushers for Offering – 2-4 per section (depending on size of section)

Registration Table – 3-4 People

# Reaping Meetings Dress Rehearsal System

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6:30-8pm**

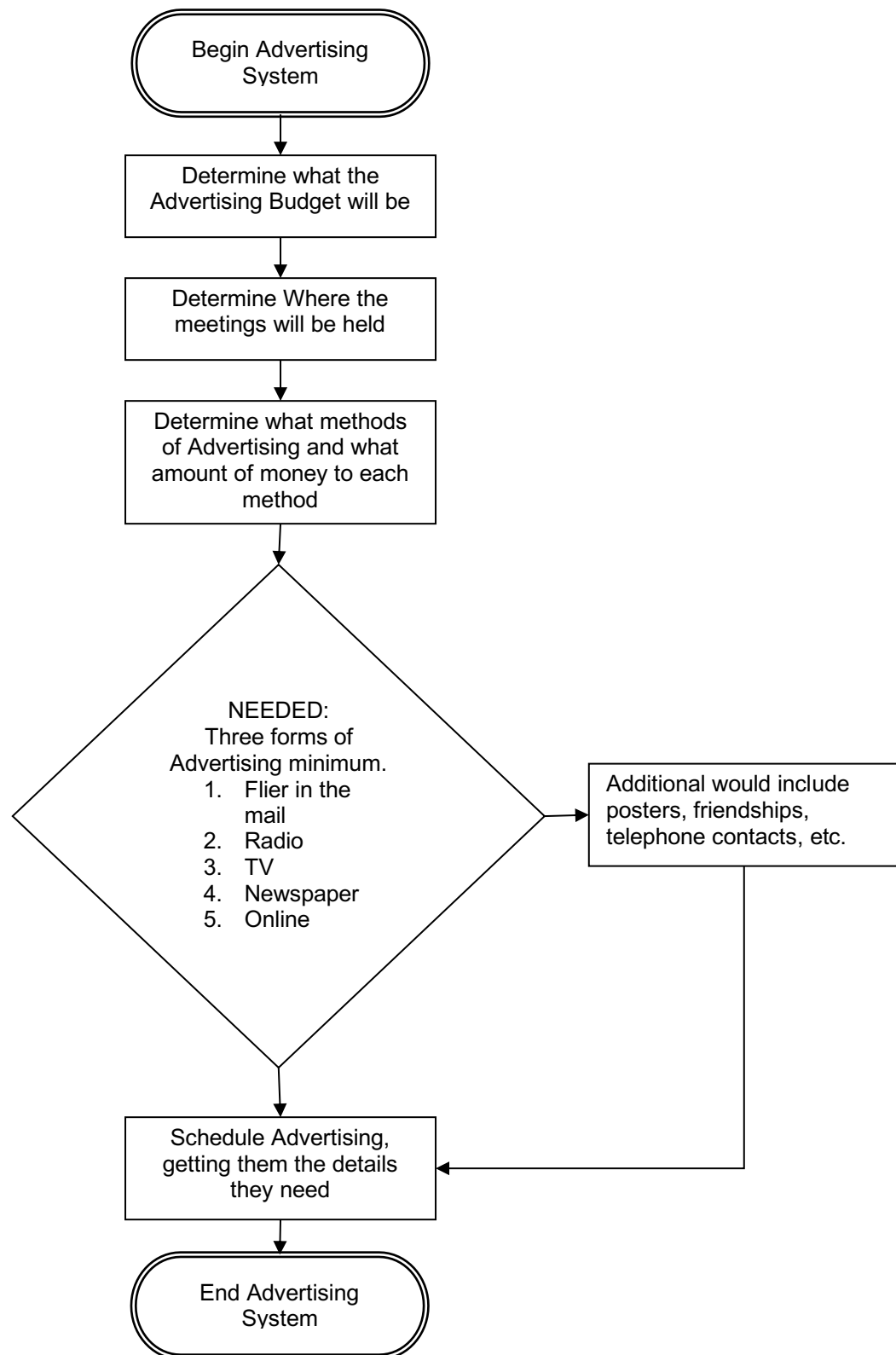


# Reaping Meeting Schedule Worksheet

Please list IN ORDER the various titles, topics, and what nights there will be a call, offerings and what kinds of visits are needed after these particular nights (**D**=Drop Off Materials Visit, **P**=Personal Visit)

Nt. #	Message Title	Actual Topic	Call?	Special Event?	Offering?	Visit After?
Ex.	1000 Years of Peace	Millennium	Y	Y	N	P
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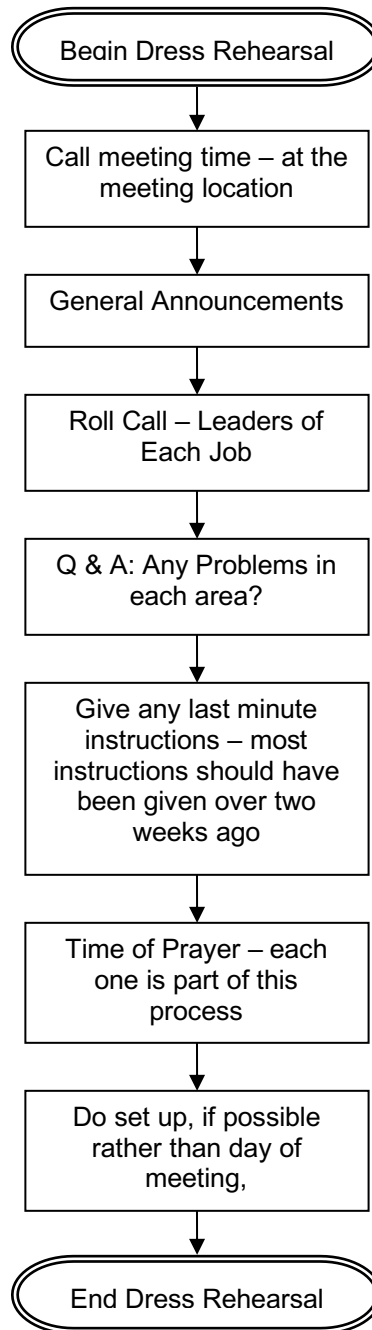
# Reaping Advertising System



# Reaping Meetings Dress Rehearsal System

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**September 6  
6:30-8pm**





## Evangelism Team

<b>TASKS</b>	<b>SUB-TASKS</b>	<b>PEOPLE</b>
Logistics	Dates	Church Staff Guest Speaker
	Making Things Work	Church Staff Guest Speaker Other Team Members
Volunteers	Finding, Keeping, Screening	Church Staff Pastor
Finding Speaker		Pastor
Advertising	Designing	Pastor Guest Speaker Advertising Professionals
	Where to Send	Whole Team
Bridge Events	When to do	Other Team Members
	What Bridge Events to do	Whole Team

# Evangelistic Partner Agreement

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This temporary partnership between **The Adventure: a Seventh-day Adventist Ministry** and \_\_\_\_\_ is hereby entered into during these dates: \_\_\_\_\_ for these purposes:

1. These evangelistic partners desire to join together for the purpose of winning people to the Lord, the Seventh-day Adventist Church and specifically The Adventure: a Seventh-day Adventist Ministry.
2. They agree that their mutual support of each other's ministry will only help fulfill the great commission and remind us that we are here for that purpose alone.

## **The Adventure**

The Adventure's Mission is "*to passionately seek the lost and turn them into fully devoted followers of Christ.*" We believe that Seventh-day Adventists should be foremost in uplifting Jesus<sup>1</sup> and that everything we do – even the preaching of our beliefs – should lift Him up. The Adventure is so committed to this cause that we regularly budget 30-40% of our monthly budget for all aspects of outreach. It is our plan to do two or three evangelistic reaping events every year.

Therefore we have created a system that makes evangelism part of the process of who The Adventure is, and not an intense 6-week interruption to the lifecycle of the church. We, understandably want any outreach we do to represent the Gospel clearly, give a true picture of Adventist theology and lastly represent The Adventure as a whole. Therefore,

### Our Agreement: What we will provide

1. We will believe, follow and remain faithful to the 28 Fundamental Beliefs of Adventism.
2. We will pay our bills in a timely manner
3. We will staff our program(s) with capable, well-trained and efficient people
4. We will provide a trained visitation team to help with the closing visits of the meetings
5. We will provide for other special requests as agreed upon by the Speaker and The Adventure's Lead Pastor
6. Music, if needed by the Reaping Meeting Speaker, will be provided by The Adventure, unless otherwise arranged with The Adventure's Director of Praise and Worship
7. We will arrange and schedule the local duties of the meetings (*i.e. location, staffing, copies, audio-visual, etc.*)
8. We will provide a database and a printout on regularly scheduled and agreed upon times

## **Reaping Meeting Speaker**

The Adventure believes that hiring a Speaker who is a professional evangelist costs us more money, but is often the best way to get greater results. As we focus on our day-to-day activities, we are unable to provide the necessary expertise of someone who does this regularly. We enter into this agreement knowing that the trained Speaker is capable as a soul-winner. We believe his/her heart is right – having daily time with God beyond his/her sermon preparation. We also believe that the Speaker is here to support The Adventure's ministry and to work according to our methodology as much as possible. Therefore,

### The Speaker: What we expect

1. We expect to work closely and approve of any advertising used. We're very open minded and do believe in using the so-called "beast brochures."

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<sup>1</sup> Gospel Workers, p. 156

2. We expect to receive from the Speaker a schedule of topics not later than 8 weeks prior to opening night.
3. We expect with that schedule to also know what nights there will be calls, offerings AND what will be required of us during those times (*e.g. music, pastoral support, card collection, etc.*)
4. We expect to see the mailing/drop off materials visits schedule at least 8 weeks before the meetings begin.
5. We expect to know the number of volunteers needed for each job and each night a minimum of 3 months before the event. We would also expect to know what jobs can be rotated and what jobs the Speaker expects to stay the same throughout the series.
6. We expect to see a visitation schedule and routine of how you do those visits at least 6 weeks prior to opening night (*knowing of course, that this may vary some based on the number of visits needed, location, etc.*)
7. We want to see these messages in writing before we sign a contract with the Speaker. We would expect the Speaker to stick fairly close to the script when actually speaking on these topics:
  - a. Mark of the Beast,
  - b. Law and Grace
  - c. Ellen White
  - d. Salvation
  - e. Remnant
  - f. Unpardonable Sin
8. We feel good about these topics during the series:
  - a. Live Presentations (*not listed in order of importance or presentation*)
 

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Daniel 2</li> <li>2. Second Coming</li> <li>3. Anti-Christ</li> <li>4. Sabbath</li> <li>5. Sabbath-Keeping</li> <li>6. Sanctuary/2300 Days</li> <li>7. State of the Dead</li> <li>8. Change of the Sabbath</li> <li>9. Mark of the Beast</li> <li>10. Signs of the Times</li> <li>11. Creation vs. Evolution</li> <li>12. The Great Controversy</li> <li>13. Law and Grace</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>14. Millennium</li> <li>15. Daniel 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10</li> <li>16. Salvation</li> <li>17. Baptism</li> <li>18. The Judgment</li> <li>19. Hell/Hellfire</li> <li>20. New Earth</li> <li>21. Battle of Armageddon</li> <li>22. Jesus Christ</li> <li>23. Remnant</li> <li>24. Proper use/Understanding of Ellen White</li> <li>25. Health</li> <li>26. Unpardonable Sin</li> </ol>
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  - b. Presentations, that if presented, should likely be reserved for *In Home Visits* because of the varying styles and varying ways of approaching these within Adventism.
    1. Church Standards
    2. Vegetarianism
  - c. Other topics considered upon request

Any other decisions that need to be made will be subject to discussion with the pastoral team of The Adventure and the Reaping Meeting Speaker and the final decision will rest with the Lead Pastor of The Adventure. Therefore we enter into this agreement with the named parties above and look forward greatly to the upcoming series of meetings.

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Signed: Lead Pastor of The Adventure

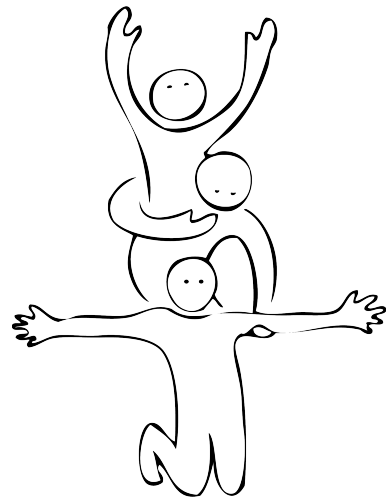
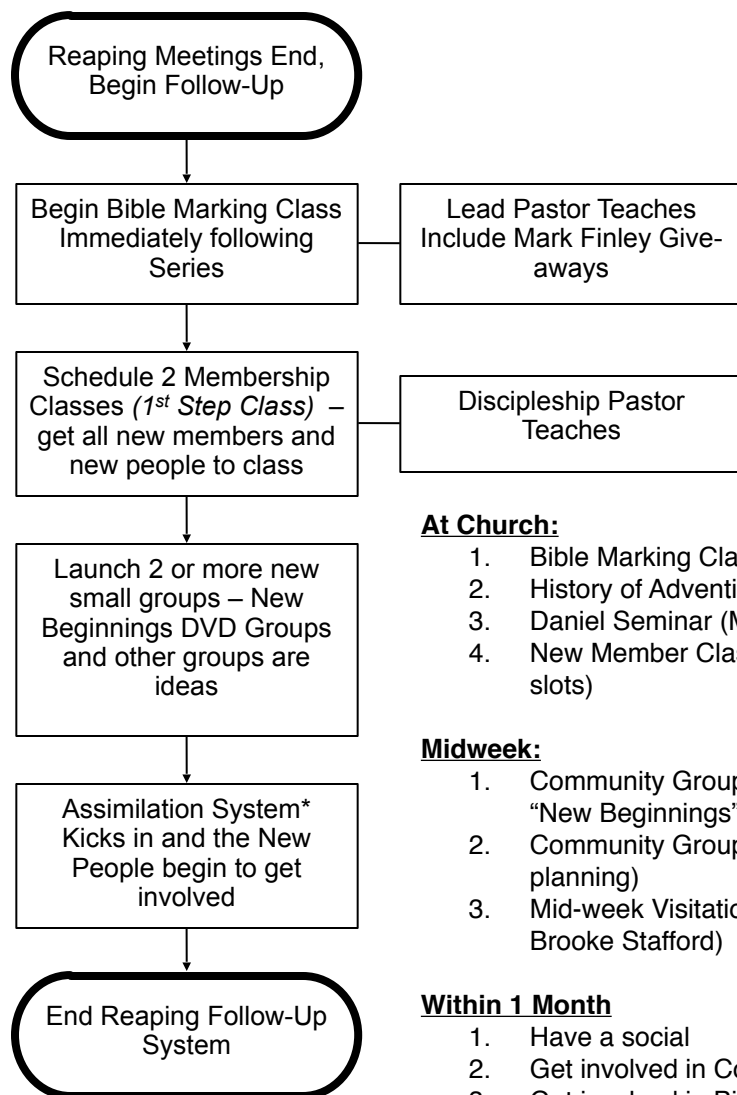
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Signed: Reaping Meeting Speaker

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# Reaping Follow-Up System



## At Church:

1. Bible Marking Class (Sabbath Mornings, taught by Roger/Danny)
2. History of Adventism Class (Mid-week, taught by Richard Wright)
3. Daniel Seminar (Mid-week, taught by....)
4. New Member Class (Taught by Pastors, Mid-week, at least two time slots)

## Midweek:

1. Community Groups (Start 3-4 New groups after the seminar) Studying "New Beginnings" Small Group DVD Series
2. Community Group Socials (conducted by 1-2-3 Community Groups planning)
3. Mid-week Visitation (George White, Carolyn Karlstrom, Tom and Brooke Stafford)

## Within 1 Month

1. Have a social
2. Get involved in Community Group
3. Get involved in Bible Marking Class
4. Been visited by a staff member

## Within 2 months

1. Actively attending
2. Begin a volunteer ministry function (something fairly easy and simple)
3. Have a 2nd Social with Community Group(s)

## Within 6 Months

1. Actively Attending
2. Taken a Spiritual Gifts Test
3. Active in Community Group
4. Have 4-6 Social Events
5. Been visited by an Elder
6. Involved in Ministry
7. Attended a second evangelistic seminar

## Within 1 Year

1. Gained 7-10 close friends in church
2. Supported an Evangelistic Seminar as a volunteer



# Adventist Community Church

After the Seminar!



## Weekly Worship



Part of growing as a Christian and maintaining our spiritual walk is about learning to worship. Family worship, personal worship and corporate worship are all about "Reaching Up" to God and focusing on Him. We have two options for your convenience in regards to corporate worship here at church. It's *Family Friendly* worship – meaning we want our kids to learn to worship with us.

**Early Service:** 9:00 am Worship (*approximately 50 minutes long*)

**Second Service:** 11:15am Worship (*approximately 75 minutes long*)

## Bible Marking Class



The Bible Marking Class will meet at 6:30pm Tuesday in the Fireside Chapel – Turn Right when you come in the front doors. It will take the time to discuss many of the issues Brian McMahon has preached about, as well as creating a chain reference in your Bible for the various topics we've discussed. It will last roughly an hour each week and there will be time to ask plenty of questions. Just you and the Bible. **Begins**

**November 17, 2020 at 6:30pm**

**Instructor:** Pastor Roger Walter

## Community Groups



Meeting in various homes or the church throughout the week, there will be some small groups starting up to listen/watch a 15-20 minute DVD presentation and discussion with Bible study following that within the group. We have 2-3 groups starting in a couple of weeks and can be joined as you are able. For more info contact **Pastor Ryan**

## Understanding Your Bible Class



Pastor David Allen is a retired high school Bible Teacher and Pastor. He is an expert in the differences in Bible Translations. In this class he will show you where the Bible came from, how the different translations came into being and show you the differences in those various translations. You will enjoy this class. It will be a three session class

**Thursdays at 6:30pm** beginning on **November 19, 2020**

**Instructor:** Pastor David Allen

## Discoveries in Daniel Class



The book of Daniel provides many clues for understanding Revelation and the end times. This book also provides insight into how to live in the day-to-day. Your teacher is one of the best teachers in our church. **Begins Wednesday, November 18 at 6:30pm**

**Instructor:** Craig Frantz

## Sabbath School Classes



Under COVID-19 restrictions, our Sabbath morning Bible study classes, are all on Zoom or Teleconference. They are taught by Pastors and Bible Scholars who will teach about the practical application of scripture and help people understand various topics. Simply send an email to [office@AdventistCommunity.church](mailto:office@AdventistCommunity.church) and tell them you want to be put on the mailing list for the weekly classes. **Classes are 9:30am on Saturday mornings.**

**Instructors:** David Allen, Larry Evans and Craig Frantz

## **Contact Info for the Adventist Community Church:**

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**Web:** [www.AdventistCommunity.Church](http://www.AdventistCommunity.Church)

**Twitter Feed:** @AdventistCC

**Instagram:** AdventistCC

**Facebook:** [www.facebook.com/AdventistCommunityChurch](http://www.facebook.com/AdventistCommunityChurch)

**Pastors:** Roger (*Lead*), John (*Administration/Visitation*) and Ryan (*Discipleship/Families*)

# New Beginnings Community Group Leader

## INSTRUCTIONS

### DURING THE SEMINAR

1. Attend the Seminar (*especially the last 2-3 weeks*)
2. Learn the names of the new people
3. Meet and Greet the new people as much as possible
4. Sit by those that you are able to sit by

### DURING THE LAST TWO WEEKS OF THE SEMINAR

1. Seek to get into a little more conversation with the people you are getting to know
2. Don't get ahead of the seminar speaker
3. Towards the end, ask, "Has this raised some questions for you?"
4. Invite them to attend a group in your home (or another home) and explain that you will be watching a short 15-20 minute video on these very topics and explain that you will seek to help them find the Bible answers and help them understand how that affects their day-to-day lives.
5. Invite as many people as possible to your Community Group.
  1. Remember, if you invite 10, 3-6 will come.
  2. If you invite 15-20, you'll end up about right with the crowd
  3. Remember also, that other Community Group leaders will be vying for these people. That's okay, the more invites they get, the more likely they will be to get into one of these groups.

### During your Community Group

1. Download or cue up the appropriate night's video clip from this site:
  1. [http://studies.itiswritten.com/new\\_beginnings/NB\\_English\\_Video.php](http://studies.itiswritten.com/new_beginnings/NB_English_Video.php)
2. Use the copied lessons to help you ask appropriate questions - understanding that the goal here is:
  1. To get the people to talk
  2. To get them comfortable asking questions and going to the Bible for discussion
3. The goal is not:
  1. To get them to agree to everything
  2. To get them to the point of decision
4. Community building is the most important thing. It is said that within the first year, each person needs 7 close friends. Mostly what this group is doing, it providing friendship and community. The lessons are their current new interest, so we study these primarily to keep them initially. The friendship will keep them long-term.

# Prophecy Seminar Review

{ ***This meeting is about KEY LEARNINGS: Key Learnings are **NOT** about doing everything right, but about what we've learned even in our mistakes.*** }

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**1. Did you find the plan for doing the meeting a satisfactory plan**

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| a. Totally Satisfied   | c. Partially Unsatisfied |
| b. Partially Satisfied | d. Totally Unsatisfying  |

**2. Did you feel you knew what the plan was?**    ☐ YES                      ☐ NO

*Comments:*

**3. Do you feel you were adequately trained for the job you were running during the meetings**

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|------------------------|--------------------------|
| a. Totally Satisfied   | c. Partially Unsatisfied |
| b. Partially Satisfied | d. Totally Unsatisfying  |

*Comments:*

**4. In your opinion, did the Prophecy Seminar accomplish the goals we had outlined ahead of time?**

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|------------------------|--------------------------|
| a. Totally Satisfied   | c. Partially Unsatisfied |
| b. Partially Satisfied | d. Totally Unsatisfying  |

**5. Did you feel you knew what the goals were?**    ☐ YES                      ☐ NO

*Comments:*

**6. Do you feel your were adequately supported during the execution of the Prophecy Seminar?**

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|------------------------|--------------------------|
| a. Totally Satisfied   | c. Partially Unsatisfied |
| b. Partially Satisfied | d. Totally Unsatisfying  |
| e.                     |                          |

*Comments:*

**7. What would you like to see next time in the way of training and preparation?**

**8. What would you like to see next time in the way of support for your area of leadership?**

**9. On the back, please write any KEY LEARNINGS you have gained from this experience – personal, corporate, etc.**