

Worship Preparation Team Proposal
First Baptist Church Brevard, NC

Purpose Statement: We are a compassionate people of faith, committed to following Jesus Christ by loving God, sharing hope, and serving others.

Summary Statement from the Discovery Retreat: Get over our personal preferences and focus on what God has planned for our church.

Action Priorities from the Discovery Retreat:

- Worship:** We will make God “Number One” in congregational worship, in our daily lives, and with our neighbors.
- Ministry:** Develop and communicate methods to motivate our members to use spiritual gifts in ministry opportunities in our church.
- Prayer:** Develop a lifestyle of constant prayer, listening to God, and obedience to God’s will. Develop a strong church prayer life that includes prayer before action and prayer for individuals by name.
- Fellowship:** We will have a strong core fellowship that builds Christ-like connections with others – both inside and out.

*² Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
 worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness.*
Psalm 29:2

³² And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.”
John 12:32

Proposal: This proposal is to create a team of First Baptist Church members who would assist the Pastor and staff with the preparation of the weekly worship services. The team will meet once a month for this ministry preparation.

The team will be dedicated to making God the object of our focus in every worship service. The team will assist the ministerial staff as they strive for a Spirit led, well-organized, blended worship service that is complimented with current technology and audiovisual aids in an atmosphere that provides easy access for visitors. The team will coordinate support through the organization of specific task teams for each of the areas of responsibility listed below.

Prayer

Member--Prayer Ministry Chairperson

⁶ Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. Philippians 4:6

Action Steps- Recruit and train members of First Baptist Church who will:

1. Pray specifically for the Pastor and staff on a daily basis.
2. Pray during the worship services in the prayer room. These prayer warriors should have an awareness of prayer and spiritual warfare.
3. Actively pray for the physical place where worship services are conducted.
4. Meet at a specific time to pray with the leadership before the beginning of the worship services.

Proclamation

Member(s)--Volunteer Leader and Administrative Assistant

Action Steps-

1. Development of power point backgrounds and creative art to go with messages that are being preached on Sunday mornings and special services.
2. To assist in advanced preparation for drama and props needed for messages that are being proclaimed.
3. To assist the pastor in evaluation of clarity of messages (evaluation is not on a spiritual basis, but on the basis of communication).
4. Development and coordination of discussion guides (when needed).

Music

Member(s)--Worship Leader/Music Leadership

Action Steps-

1. Assist Worship Leader in recruiting leaders and musicians from the membership and train them for service
2. Assist Worship Leader in the recruitment of musicians from our local community and help find places of service in church
3. Develop a team that would assist the Worship Leader in worship preparation, contacts, and arrangements needed for the preparation of the weekly worship music on Sunday morning, as well as long range music planning.
4. Work with the Worship Leader in arrangements and needs that go beyond the requirements of secretarial staff.
5. Assist the Worship Leader in the logistical preparation for the summer Brevard Music Center ministry.

Audio-Visual

Member--Chairperson of Audio-Visual

Action Steps-

1. Assist Worship Leader in development of a consistent plan for lighting for each Sunday morning worship service.
2. Assist Worship Leader in setting sound levels and microphones for each Sunday morning worship service.
3. Assist Worship Leader in evaluating the need for equipment to be used for each Sunday morning worship service.
4. Assist Worship Leader in assessing the video needs for Sunday morning worship services.

Worship Greeting

Member(s)--Chairpersons of the Greeters and Ushers

Action Steps-

1. Coordinate the welcoming of guests and members attending our weekly worship services.
2. Monitor accessibility to Guest Parking (Note: We do not have any guest parking at present. Hopefully, we can correct that this month).
3. Responsible for the collection of guest information (communication to office).
4. Assist members and guest with seating during worship services.

Invitation and New Member follow-Up

Member(s)--Church Clerk

Action Steps-

1. Recruit and train counselors who the pastor (associate pastor) can assign to those who respond at the invitation.
2. Collect data on those who are joining First Baptist Church and present to church office.
3. Coordinate with the Sunday School Director the appropriate follow up for each new member.

Note: Several of these areas will require some orientation/training-

- **Prayer**
- **Audio-Visual**
- **Worship Greeting**
- **Invitation Follow-up**

The Vision Team needs to make assignments for training once this has been approved by the church.