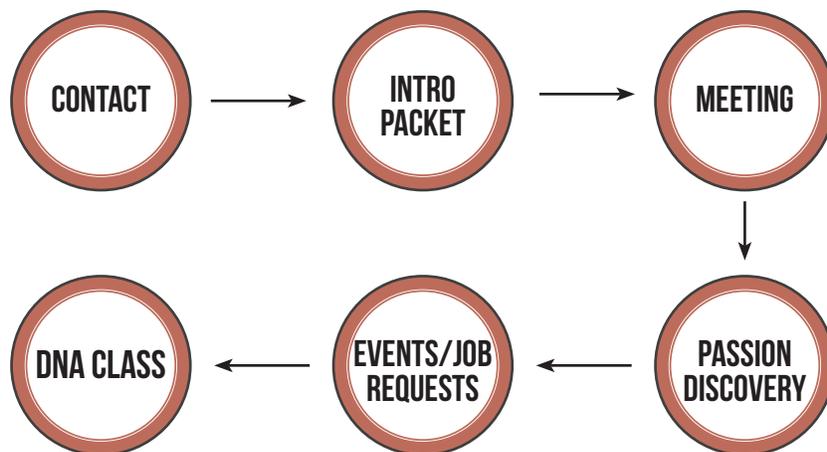




Welcome

We are so excited you are considering being a part of Creative Ministries. The purpose of this packet is to introduce you to Creative Ministries: what we're about, the process of getting involved, and some expectations we can have for each other.

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Values

Christ // Creative Communication // Artistic Expression

Mission Statement

To use creativity to communicate the message of Jesus and His love in our community and around the world

Description

We know a picture speaks a 1000 words, so we strive to use every form of artistic expression to communicate Christ's love. God, in the ultimate display of creativity, spoke our world into existence. We believe that because God chose to create and speak creatively, then we should follow in His example. Below are some creative expressions we have thought of, but if you don't see your gifts below, let us know...we are always looking to expand the list!

Service Planning Team

This team brainstorms ideas to augment the way we communicate the message of Jesus on Sunday mornings, as well as plan special events

Website Development & Upkeep

Our website is one of the first ways we communicate to our surrounding communities. We are always looking for people who can help us do that more effectively.

Graphic Design & Video Production

This team is for those who have a knack for making communication pieces look great or telling stories through video.

Set Design/Building & Decorating

Atmosphere is important to us and we try to gather those with creativity in these areas to help our spaces reflect the heart and message God has given us to proclaim.

Drama (acting & script writing)

We love stories! Some of the stories we tell are fictional or taken from scripture to help tie a picture to the message. We are building a team of actors and writers to help us augment the way we communicate the message of Jesus.

Photographers & Artists

Pictures and art have a way of saying much without uttering a word. Our vision is to use these pieces to help us better communicate the message God has given to us. Whether it is a live painting in a service, a gallery we create to help set atmosphere in one of our spaces, or a way we use pictures to engage people with God's love in social media, we believe there is an endless supply of ways to use your gifts and passions.

Essentials

To have a healthy team, there are some essentials needed from each team member. In every family there are always disagreements and the possibility of getting your feelings hurt; however having clear expectations of one another can help ensure a positive, loving environment. In fact, healthy conflict can help bring about better ideas. Below are some things we can expect from each other:

The Golden Rule

Treat others the way you want to be treated -- I think Jesus was on to something. Everyone wants to be treated fairly, with dignity and respect. Here are few things we can do to show care for others:

Timely Communication - When someone communicates to you, i.e. text, email, voicemail, return the communication in a timely manner. Good communication makes everyone feel important.

Speak and Act With Love - If all we do is remember to speak with love towards one another, that would eliminate most of our conflicts.

Follow Through With Commitments

In a partnership, we need to be able to trust that we will follow through with what we commit to. Whether it is writing a script, acting, or creative a graphic or video, the team suffers when one person doesn't complete what they've committed to by the needed deadline. Things happen at work or home that are sometimes out of our control. There is grace for everyone. However, when we follow through with our commitments it will help our team function at a high level and do some awesome things for God.

Investment In Your Spiritual Growth

A commitment to prayer and studying God's Word is part of the process that shapes us into all that God desires us to be. As you become more like Christ, not only are you personally more healthy, but as you bring that health to the group, the ministry and the church will benefit from your personal spiritual growth.

In conclusion, let me encourage you by saying if you have this packet, you are taking a step in the right direction by seeking to serve Christ with the passion and gifts He's given to you. Through prayer, God will always direct us to the right place of ministry, according to the talents and gifts He has given us. Whether you serve the Lord in Creative Ministries or another ministry, as you give of yourself you will find you are the one who will be blessed!