

The Faith Legacy Series Implementation Meeting

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This Implementation Meeting will help your church launch The Faith Legacy Series. (See DVD Launching Faith Legacy Series Menu Implementation Meeting) This is designed for all the Faith Step Facilitators to be together along with the Team Leader and Pastor. Divide into groups of three or four for discussion and spend only a few minutes in each of the discussion breakouts.

Warm-up:

The home is the primary place for spiritual nurturing.

Deuteronomy 6:4-9: "Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates."

And yet, less than 10% of churched parents are active or intentional about God talk in their homes!

Discuss:

Did your parents talk to you about God? What was that like?

Legacy Point One: What content should we teach parents?

- 1) Parents should be intentional.
- 2) Be intentional in both formal activities and informal activities.
- 3) Parents learn from each other.
- 4) Grandparents learn from each other.

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Discuss:

What is an example of something you admired that another parent did that nurtured faith in his/her child?

Legacy Point Two: How do we motivate parents?

1) Communicate the importance.

- Talk about faith nurture from the pulpit
- Blessing events

2) Relationships keep us motivated.

- Connecting parents with child, parents with parents, and kids with kids
- Personal invitations and follow up

3) Manageable time commitments are key.

Discuss:

Looking at both the sample calendar and proposed calendar and ask: What are the best times for you to have a Faith Step? How might the timing help motivate parents to attend?

Legacy Point Three: I'm busy enough! What about an *easy delivery system*?

- 1) Faith Legacy series is DVD delivered with printed hand-outs
- 2) Publicity materials are provided

3) Equipped with blessing objects and blessing event materials

Discuss:

Read through the sample job description for a Faith Step Facilitator. *What about this job would you enjoy?*

Wrap up:

To be a church where most parents are nurturing faith in the home, is it an organizational problem or spiritual problem?

Close in prayer. Boldly ask that God would bless the families of your church to be more effective in spiritual parenting.