General Ministry: lending support for other ministries

Here is a general picture of how I operate at GCAC and I believe with sufficient support, this model of general shepherding care can be maintained at Grace Church.

Discipleship making is a ministry strategy.

Children's ministry:

3-4 times a year I will be arranged to speak to children, Sparks, T&T Boys and T&T Girls. The topic is to encourage growth in the search of Biblical truth. I normally will greet Awana parents either before the children program or after to allow them to see my availability to talk and listen to their concerns and comments on the growth of the children.

Care ministry:

As the administration directs needs to me through the weekly staff meetings on Tuesday, I will direct different care teams organized by elders to make contacts with them either through a phone call, a visit or a greeting card.

I personally visit families and individuals in need of spiritual encouragement. I have visited 190 family units in 2010 and on average 200+ in the past 9 years.

I received couple's counseling sessions on a regular basis.

I direct Stephen ministers via a pastoral staff to provide long term care to church members.

Prayer meetings

I made proposals on a yearly basis on how to lead prayer ministry of GCAC. 2011 proposed theme will be focused on the basics of Christian faith (Galatians 1-6). Elders and I have take term to nurture and lead prayer meetings on Wednesday nights. Staff will coordinate music, ppt, announcements on a weekly basis. I lead prayer retreat for staff at least once a time (one in Spring and one in the Fall)

Local outreach

I offer prayer and planning support to local outreaches (Restaurant ministries, Day care center ministries, Evangelistic Bible Study at Clarksburg) and provide general theme for the festival-based outreaches (New Year outreach, Mid-Autumn Festival outreach, Thanksgiving regional outreach).

I lead 2-3 prayer sessions before their rehearsals.

Missions

We have directed guidance from the District on mission conference and receive projects from the district. My role is to channel those needs to our missions committee. In regards to STM projects, I will provide broader perspective on how to spirituality prepare for those trips, manage a team and advices on the challenges. I act more as a consultant to the missions committee under the direction of the District.

I personally involved with some STM trips.

Women's ministry

I have no direct contact with women's ministry. Linda served as coordinator for some years doing discipleship-based BS with women on Thursday mornings. My involvements will be on invitation basis. Coordinators encourage church members to seek out counseling via the counseling ministries at GCAC or request consultation with me.

Kinship ministry

I visit one fellowship or small group a week to know of their needs and bring recommendations to the attention to our small group and fellowship ministry. The rotation comes up to 3x a year where I have exposure to different small groups or fellowships.

Every ministry relates to the life of the whole church. The power of vitality acts like a yeast on a dough. It penetrates and inspires other ministries.

I see prayer ministry as strategic.