

## **Beyond Your Office Door**

In this presentation, we'll cover four steps to utilizing your volunteers.

## **Assumptions**

Today, pastors need to work both <u>in</u> the church <u>and</u> <u>on</u> the church.

The less I do, the more that gets done.

Your most valuable resource in your church is your volunteers.

People give to vision: People volunteer for a vision.

Most of our visions are not <u>clear</u> enough, and our systems are not <u>complete</u> enough.

## Why we don't

- Engaging volunteers can be exhausting
- Doing it yourself the first three times is almost always easier.
- Creating a vision often seems stupid.
- Unless you're a dork, creating systems is awful.

## However...

- Engaging volunteers allows you to work in the church on your proficient <u>passions</u>.
- Working on the church sets up their next <u>pastor</u>.
- With another person, you don't feel like <u>quitting</u> on the same day.

"Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor: <sup>10</sup> If either of them falls down, one can help the other up. But pity anyone who falls and has no one to help them up." -Ecclesiates 4:9-10

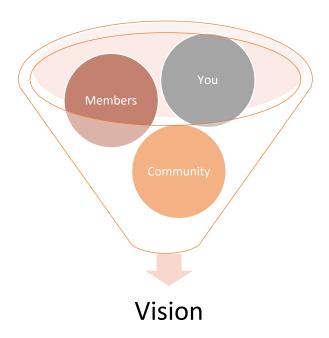


# **Step 1: Cast the Vision**

We care about vision because we care about people.

Vision is like vacation

Vision in your head is an idea, vision cast is direction1



# Vision (who, what, when where)

• **Purpose.** Every organization has a purpose. That purpose may be clear or vague. It may be conscious or unconscious, written or unwritten. Some purpose

<sup>1</sup> Made up last week, but I am sure someone else has said it better.

statements are specific and inspiring, while others are vague and uninspiring. Regardless, no organization is ever formed—or continues to exist—without some sort of purpose. It is worth taking time to answer the question, "Why do we exist?"

- Values. Values are the ideals that we esteem as a company. They are the philosophical foundation of our corporate ideology. They are the things that we hold dear and use to make decisions and keep us on-track. They are what we believe—no matter what. However, if they are to be more than mere platitudes, we must translate our values into specific behaviors that we expect from one another.
- **Vision.** Having a clear vision of where you are going is crucial in any human endeavor. This is especially true when it comes to organizations. Unless we know where we are going, it is difficult to select the best route, assign the necessary resources, or create any semblance of organizational alignment.
- Strategy. Once you have a clear vision about where you are going, you can formulate a strategy for getting there. The best strategy is generally the one that gets you to your destination the fastest with the most efficient use of resources. However, some strategies work well in the short-term, but at the expense of the organization's values or purpose. That's why we can't really select the right strategy until we know why we exist (purpose), what we believe (values), and where we are going (vision). (Michael Hyatt

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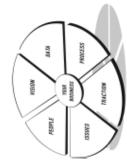
ORGANIZATION NAME: Eternal Rock Lutheran Church

# **VISION**

	1. We stand on God's Grace	3-YEAR PICTURE"
CORE VALUES	<ol> <li>We cultivate community</li> <li>We step up</li> </ol>	Future Date: July 2019 Offerings: \$170,000 Building Fund: \$100.000 (after purchase)
# 3 I O O	Passion: Help people find their value in Christ	Measurables: Members-200 Confirmations 15+
	Our Niche: A contemporary approach to the traditions from 2000 years ago	Bible Class 80% of adults are active Serving 80% participation within a quarter
10-YEAR TARGET"	In our church, start a church, 500 people, 100 in kids program, referral from every member, every member from a referral	Feedback metrics?
	Target Market/"The List": People who are successful, but that is not enough (they still have an emptiness)	What does it look like?  ☐ Own property with a building  ☐ Property rented out while we make plans  ☐ \$100,000 in the bank
MARKETING STRATEGY	Three Uniques:  1. Tradition meets contemporary 2. Full in God's Grace 3. Worship that applies to today's issues with biblical depth 4. Strong community Groups within the congregation	<ul> <li>Summer camp/VBS</li> <li>Vibrant Children's Ministry</li> <li>Vicar</li> <li>Average over 150/wk in worship</li> <li>All coordinators meet monthly</li> <li>Huddle meeting after each worship service</li> </ul>
	<b>Proven Process:</b> 3-71. Referral, 2. Meet a member 3. Meet the Pastor 4. Radical follow up, 5. A special place, 6. Step Up	<ul> <li>☐ Admin help to coordinate volunteers</li> <li>☐ Done with EOS model</li> <li>☐ Your Time of Grace once a quarter</li> </ul>
	Guarantee: Genuine	

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ORGANIZATION NAME: Eternal Rock Lutheran Church

# TRACTION

	1-YEAR PLAN	ROCKS			ISSUES LIST
Fut Rev Mea	Future Date: July 1, 2017 Revenue: \$145,000/year Measurables: Offerings, attendance, % volunteers, Outreach calls, Coordinators Meetings, Confirmations	Future Date: January 1 Revenue: \$12,000/mo Measurables:		1.	1. No permanent home 2. Core is gone
		Rocks for the Quarter:	Who	3	3. Grow Groups go up and down
<u> 6</u>	Goals for the Year:	1. Fill Coordinator positions-worship	ME	4.	4. Lack of youth opportunities for confirmed students
	2. Apply for vicar	2. Bible Class for January/men's womens	ME	5.	5. Coordinator spots are not filled
	3. Buy land and building	3. New Constitution	Me/John/LC	9	6. Systems are limping
	4. New "Core Group" on board (how do we get there)	4. Get Music on point	Cale/Barb/Lorraine	7.	7. Follow-up is broken
	5. Communicate updates from leadership council	5. Get Set up dialed in (make system)	Me/Coordinator	8	8. Not many first time guests
<u></u>	6. QFB-Quarterly meeting, follow-up breakfast, brief after	6. VTO with Leadership in Breckenridge	ME/John	6	9. Transient Community
	church 7. Make an accountability chart	7. Bible Basics with 8 people in February	ME/families	10.	10. Not at 100% participation
	8. Update Constitution and Bylaws	8. Text Follow up	ME/Melani	#	11. Declining Subsidy
	9. Financial systems	9. Worship planned for year	ME/Cale	12.	12. Measurable impact in the community
	,	10. Greeters each week	ME/Jason/Melani	13.	13. Volunteer Fatigue
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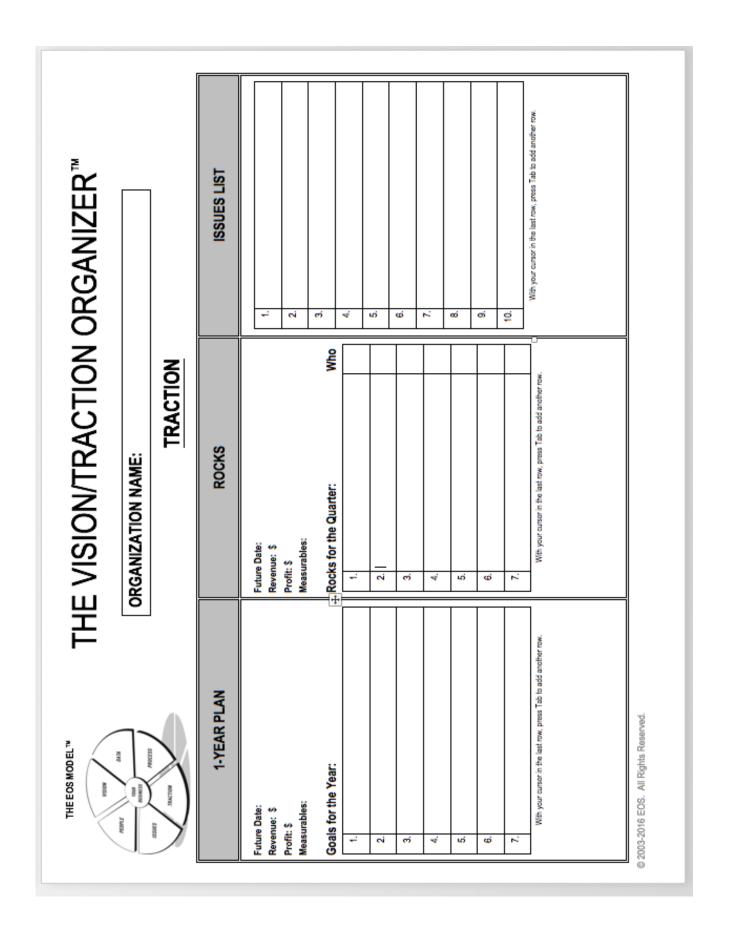
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# VISION

	1.	3-YEAR PICTURE™
CORE VALUES	3. 4. 5.	Future Date: Revenue: \$ Profit: \$
CORE FOCUS"	Purpose/Cause/Passion:	Measurables: What does it look like?
	Our Niche:	. , .
10-YEAR TARGET™		
	Target Market":The List":	
MARKETING STRATEGY	Three Uniques: 1. 2. 3.	
	Proven Process:	
	Guarantee:	

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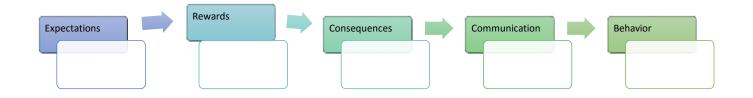


# **Step 2: Support the Vision with Systems**

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Every church has systems.

Systems shape behavior (at least at home)

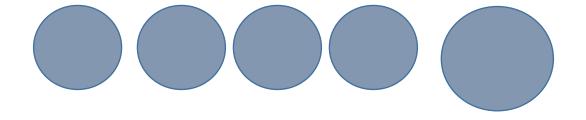


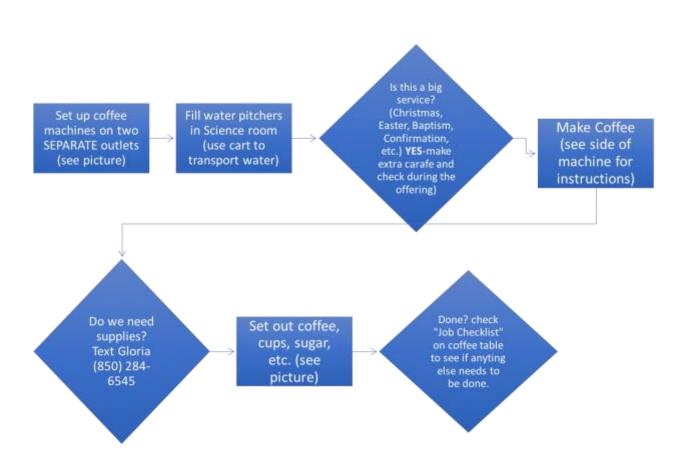


Every System has a <u>life-cycle</u>

The systems that got you to this point, will not get you to the <u>next</u> <u>point</u>.

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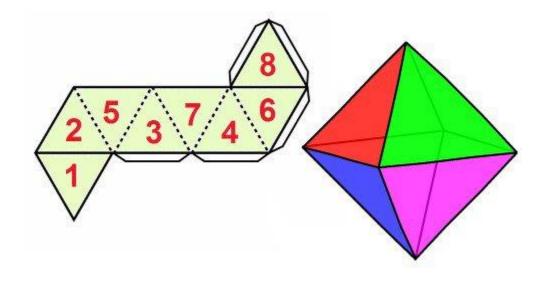






# **Step 3: Engage Your Volunteers**

A family can only have a meaningful relationship with <u>eight</u> other families



A pastor can only invest in <u>five</u> people



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Big gear vs. small gear.

# Chances to "Step Up"

- Administration Volunteer Coordinator-work with pastor to help organize and encourage volunteers
- Admin Help-work from home 1-3 hours a week on administrative tasks
- Collate Service Folders-stuff and get service folders ready (could be done anytime Friday am-Saturday afternoon
- Build Systems-work with pastor and coordinators to establish and implement systems for efficiency and consistency (one of our goals this year!)
- Host Teens from Michigan-provide a comfortable place for 2-4 teens to stay July 1-2

# Worship

- Play Keyboard-play keyboard during worship Worship Multimedia-work to establish multimedia on upgraded platform on cloud Worship Multimedia-create or run slides for and during worship
- Follow up on Worship Guests-help guests feel welcome and informed about ER
- Welcome Team Greeter-Welcome members & guests by main doors before and Welcome Team Usher-welcome guests, handout bulletins, etc.
- Welcome Team Coordinator-work with pastor to schedule, recruit, train and set after worship. reminders for welcome team volunteers
- Altar Care-establish best practices for altar arrangements, flowers, banners, etc.
- Set-up Team-volunteer to help set up and take down each Sunday (every 4th month)
- Set-up Coordinator-work with pastor to establish best practices, encourage Worship Directional Signs-set up worship directional signs between Friday night and volunteers and maintain mobile church
- Pick up Donuts/Bagels-pick up already paid for bagels or donuts before coming to View intersection, by the Middle School, etc.) Saturday morning and take them down after church (1-3 signs...by Meadows/Prairie

- Rock Kids Teacher-teach ages 4-5th grade one to two months each year with a
- Coordinate Men's Bible Study-work with pastor to promote and establish Men's Bible Study in August
- Host Women's Bible Study-open your home for a study in August
- Coordinate Women's Bible Study- work with pastor to promote and establish Women's Bible Study in August

# Serve

- Serve Coordinator-work with pastor to brainstorm, promote and implement service opportunities (for example mission trips, community service, etc.)
- Service Project Lead-help coordinate, plan and recruit for a single service event (for example, 1000 blessings bags in December)

# Reach

- Reach Coordinator-work with pastor to brainstorm, and coordinate our outreach efforts (for example, mailings to new residents,
- Hang door flyers-July 2, work with our teens and a group of kids from Michigan to

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# **Step 4: Thank Your Volunteers**

- Thank volunteers with gifts, <u>recognition</u> and insider information/decision making
- Buy Starbucks on occasion of the whole set up crew
- Be proactive in thanking staff of where you rent—we buy things for staff at the Middle School 3x a year.
- Regularly buy coffee cards for the custodian that cleans up after you are done at school or wherever. We also buy restaurant gift cards about once a quarter.
- Take staff out for appreciation dinner twice a year with their families.
- Take all Sunday school teachers and their families out for pizza once a year.
- Give each Sunday school teacher a \$5 coffee card after their month of teaching
- Have meetings with coordinators over lunch and pay for lunch...makes a good start and end time to the meeting and shows appreciation. Everyone likes to go out to eat.