

Random Ideas for getting new forms of worship going in your church

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- ◆ Take potential leaders to events where they can experience praise and worship bands in action.
- ◆ Worship teams are not always music teams... could be drama, art, poetry, interpretive dance or other aspects of worship.
- ◆ Get the leader's ideas on worship – they might be your biggest asset.
- ◆ Utilize worship CD's for pre-service music – get the congregation thinking.
- ◆ During Sunday Morning Worship, invite a newly formed team to lead one or two songs depending on the nature of the worship service – special music time slot or something.
- ◆ Give a team a small opportunity - "Could you play one song for tonight's church service? Would you play during communion next week? Then you will begin to build confidence in the musically gifted in your church.
- ◆ Involve the team in planning for events... allow them to understand the need for praise and worship music.
- ◆ Starting small is ok... authenticity is key. An acoustic guitar and vocalist is fine if the ministry and purpose is genuine.
- ◆ Start young... have a long-term vision for this thing, it's going to be around for a while... begin teaching this to the Sr. High students and down. Talk with the people in charge of the younger kids and have them begin to learn some of the songs that you will begin using.
- ◆ Start guitar lessons at your church.
- ◆ If you have musical ability, use it to involve others from the church. If you do not, take heart! Sometimes it's easier to get a group to do music when you aren't always "taking care" of it.
- ◆ Plan like the praise and worship band will be forming. Include an amount in the budget for a bass amp and drum set, etc.
- ◆ Pull some of the leadership together to discuss and pray about this praise and worship band.
- ◆ If you already have an established choir, utilize some musicians in your group to accompany them for one Sunday on one song.
- ◆ If you have a revival or special service or event at your church, invite another local church praise bands to come and lead well... modeling what it can be.
- ◆ Worshiptogether.com
- ◆ If you have a guitarist, ask them if they know a drummer or bass player. Musicians stick together.