



Connect Team Training

Anchoring back to basics.

Review Mission/Vision

PORTICO's Mission: 'Leading people into a fully devoted relationship with God through Jesus Christ.'

PORTICO's Vision:

ONE CHURCH
MESSAGE
MANY EXPRESSIONS

Review Three Core Values: Jesus' words in Matt. 4:19 "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will make you fishers of men."



Connecting with Christ and His family.

Jesus' invitation to come follow Him.

Weekends: Our venues are our key opportunity for people to come and connect with Christ in a meaningful way and connect with each other corporately.



Growing together in Christlikeness.'

Jesus' declaration, "I will make you fishers of men."

Spiritual growth happens, not when we hear the Word – but when we apply the Word that we hear. Community Life Groups and other discipleship opportunities like Alpha, Explore, Financial Peace University, all help us in the process of growing together into the likeness of Jesus. And doing it in community with one another – in groups where we can really get to know others and be known, gives us accountability 'as iron sharpens iron' we grow together.



Serving Christ's mission in the world.

"I will make you fishers of men."

Why connect with Jesus and grow to be like Him if that's all there is? Well its not – we are all called to serve the mission of Christ in the world. Each and everyone of us has been given gifts whereby we help the body. SHAPE, Give Hope Every Day, STMs, serving opportunities at PORTICO and in the community.

Guest Services— a name which has served us well. But to line up with the core value that is emphasized during our weekend services, I want to suggest that we call everyone who serves with us in a capacity on the weekend a part of our new **Connect Team**.

- Parking lot attendants
- Greeters
- Ushers
- Information Centre
- Connectors
- Hospitality/Food service

Every single person serving in these capacities are our front line people who are helping us to help others 'connect with Christ and his family'.

We need all of you to know exactly why it is that we do what we do on a weekend and to be prepared to share that answer.

That is why we have tried very hard to simplify a lot of what we do by using single words for our venues and our core values and by using descriptive phrases to help explain them. For example,

Venues:

Live {An experience in contemporary worship}

The Chapel {An experience in traditional worship}

Connections {Embracing life and faith through conversation}

Core Values

Connect {Connecting with Christ and His family}

Grow {Growing together in Christlikeness}

Serve {Serving Christ's mission in the world}

New...

Guest Services Kiosks, at both main entrances

Clearly identified as 'Guest Services' so that visitors can come there immediately for any information they need. Team working guest services will have a complete list of room designations for that day, have a knowledge of where to send children/youth for sign in. Maps will be provided of the floor plan as well as a highlighter so that you can highlight for the person how to get where they need to get to.

Yes Kiosk

We have developed something we are calling a 'Yes' packet to put into the hands of people who raise their hand and who pray to invite Jesus into their lives. At the end of every service, we will encourage anyone who said 'YES' to Jesus to visit the 'YES' kiosk in the foyer and pick up a special packet of materials just for them. If possible, we will take some basic information from them by having them fill out a 'YES' card while they are at the kiosk. However, if they wish to remain anonymous that's OK too. The most important thing is that we will be getting something into their hands.

New print pieces:

Connect, Grow, Serve brochures

Pathways seasonal publication (coming Jan 2011)