



Program Set-up Module
QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. What is The Empowered Church program trying to accomplish?

The Empowered church program builds on what the church is already doing, providing practical ways of being more effective in the areas of revival, church health, evangelism, and discipleship. Amazing Facts recognizes that evangelism is a process, not just a one-time event. The Empowered Church program leads a church through this process, setting up an ongoing evangelism cycle that has a strong emphasis on spiritual revival and the discipleship of all believers.

2. What is the first thing the church board needs to do?

Select the members of the Outreach Leadership Team. The Outreach Leadership Team is a group of committed church members who organize and coordinate the implementation of the evangelism cycle. Their commitment and involvement is essential for the success of the program. The team works with the church board in equipping, organizing and inspiring the members of the church for evangelism.

3. What will the members of the Outreach Leadership Team be asked to do?

Attend regular organizational meetings—consistency is important. Lead out in SALT, the community outreach program, lead out in the church assessment, organize the revival months, coordinate the evangelistic meetings, and ensure the discipleship and nurturing of new believers.

4. What is the best way to implement the Outreach Leadership Team?

The church board selects members of the Outreach Leadership Team based on nominees' strong love for Jesus, a commitment to evangelism, and their potential for leadership and training of others. The church board needs to contact each nominee to ask if they would be willing to serve on the Outreach Leadership Team. The board then needs to ensure that a time and location has been set up for the team's first meeting.

5. How many people should be on the Outreach Leadership Team?

It depends upon church attendance:

- If the attendance is under 75, the team should have 5 to 7 members.
- Between 75-150, 7 to 9 members.
- Between 150-250, 9 to 12 members.
- Over 250, 12 to 15 members.

6. Can those holding an office in the church also serve on the Outreach Leadership Team?

Yes. In fact, try to select team members who represent the different ministries of the church. In smaller churches, one person might represent several ministries. In a small church, the board can also function as the Outreach Leadership Team; however, this will require additional time and commitment from the board members.

7. What is the pastor's role on the Outreach Leadership Team?

The pastor's involvement is essential for a successful program, and we encourage him to be the team's leader. If he is unable to serve as leader, he should designate somebody else.

8. What is the relationship between the Outreach Leadership Team and the church board?

The Outreach Leadership Team reports directly to the church board. It is to work with the board in organizing outreach, coordinating evangelism, and implementing the church assessment process. The Outreach Leadership Team needs to give regular updates to the church board.

9. What is the relationship between the Outreach Leadership Team and the church?

The Outreach Leadership Team is to communicate with all church departments to help create synchronized and united efforts. It will also communicate with the church body, keeping members informed of which phase of the evangelism cycle they are on. The Outreach Leadership Team will also promote and involve as many members as possible in the church's outreach programs, provide regular updates, and share inspiring testimonies to the church of what the Lord is doing.

10. Will The Empowered Church program work in a church doing the Natural Church Development (NCD) process?

The Empowered Church program works well for churches doing the Natural Church Development process. The principle that healthy churches grow is true; but research has found that the fastest growing Adventist churches are not only healthy but also have a strong evangelistic emphasis. The

Empowered Church program provides churches doing the NCD process with a distinctly Adventist perspective on evangelism, built on solid biblical principles and counsel from the spirit of prophecy.