

Sample Schedule for a Spiritual Mentor

For the first five weeks, it is especially important that Spiritual Mentors build a relationship with the new members with the goal of making disciples for Christ. You can keep rotating through these activities as your relationship becomes well established and the new members are grounded in the faith.

Week One: Invite the new member to your home or to go out for a meal.

You may invite another member to join you in this activity. Please do not let vegetarianism become an issue.

Week Two: Share a spiritual book or set of Bible studies.

Examples of good books to share include <u>Desire of Ages</u>, <u>Steps to Christ</u>, etc. It might be a good idea to encourage them to start a Bible study course.

Week Three: Plan a recreational activity together.

Plan to do something recreationally together that suits both the age and interest of the new attendee. Here are a few suggestions: miniature golf, tennis, golfing, nature walk, concert, hobby (for example: gardening, crafts, etc.).

Week Four: Invite them to a church social activity.

Coordinate with the church social committee concerning the next social and encourage the new member to attend by giving him/her a personal invitation to come as your guest.

Week Five: Involve the person in a ministry or spiritual activity.

Have them attend a family worship with you. Invite them to come on a Bible study or to join a small group that you attend. Other good activities include visiting "shut ins," helping with a soup kitchen, etc.

It is important that the pastor meet with the Spiritual Mentors on a regular basis, especially during the first five weeks after the meetings for updates and support.