

I Know a Church that...

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New, Edgy, & Cool Stuff
Churches Are Doing!

I know a church that offers exceptional small group leadership support. Each week, small group leaders gather for a breakfast coaching session with a trained and experienced small group coach. During the gathering the leaders discuss what's happening in their small groups, get a training tip, and spend time praying for each other. In addition, each small group leader meets monthly in a one-on-one session with a small group mentor. During these mentoring sessions, the leaders are mentored in personal spiritual development and in both general and small group leadership development skills. The church hasn't had any problem raising up new leaders because they are so "well taken care of."

I know a church that is so into the arts that they regularly invite an artist who paints or draws to create a work of art up front while the service is going on. The artist creates the work based on the service's theme. Sometimes the work illustrates the scripture reading; sometimes it illustrates a real-life example of the theme in action; and sometimes it is completely abstract and represents the emotional center of the theme. The works are displayed throughout the church and are later sold to support the mission and vision of the church.

I know a church that had an older building with an older short-napped carpet in the sanctuary. Because the church had a value of prayer and the spiritual disciplines, and since they had chairs rather than pews, they decided to dye a labyrinth into the carpet. Using Ritz fabric dye, they marked off the labyrinth with masking tape and used mini-rollers to create the lines and labrys. By creating the labyrinth on the carpet they forestalled the replacement of the carpet and opened the door to new visitors by hosting a public indoor labyrinth walking experience each month.

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