

Ministers in the Church, for the Church

It is great to get members to do the ministry of the church, in the church. But even that is not enough when it comes to growing the healthy church culture Christ wants us to be. Parishioners have got to be ministers of the Church, in the Church, and for the Church – and they have got to be ministers for the Church in the world.

Imagine what would happen if people in our world – by the masses – took up serving towels, draped them over their arms and willingly (even joyfully!) served other people in their everyday lives. Such attitudes and actions would change our world! I believe a volunteer revolution can happen and that the church should set the pace and energetically lead the way. In my view, people are never closer to living out the teachings of Christ than when they are adding value to someone else's life. And people who are far from God are rarely more impacted than when they see twenty-first-century Christ followers behaving as Christ behaved.

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