

50 Ways Large Churches Can Help Smaller Churches

1. Building repair
2. Help with VBS
3. Speak to, encourage, and build up every member there. Don't wait for them to speak to you. Many are unsure or uneasy about your arrival.
4. Teacher training/Bible lessons
5. Check supplies and offer. Don't embarrass them by forcing them to take old or unused material. Offer to print up business cards for them to pass out.
6. Help with campaign
7. Help with follow up Bible studies and new Christians
8. Work up a plan of action over the next three years.
9. Talk to people in the town about the church. Ask them "where do you go to church *every* Sunday?"
10. Assist with Friends' Day. Help them with preparation, food, costs etc.
11. Assist them with community outreach projects such as a fall festival, polar express, movie night, etc. Let the town know they are there.
12. Help with Facebook/website
13. Organize workroom/classes
14. Help with Ladies' Day
15. Write cards of encouragement to members
16. Write cards to prospects you have personally spoken with
17. Assist with WBS prospects in that area
18. Make up gifts to give at visitation
19. Learn and practice HOPES
20. Learn and practice Foundations for Disciples
21. Learn and practice Bible study (Rest of the story and foundations for disciples)
22. Learn to listen and ask questions
23. Stay with members if possible
24. Never, never, never get involved in any decision making. Do not take sides in a dispute. Listen, but let them work it out themselves.
25. Follow up visits from Habanero research
26. Help start and advertise a New Life Behavior group

- 27. Take members to visit with you**
- 28. Get your preacher to preach a weekend meeting**
- 29. Give glory to God for every good thing. Be patient in waiting for results.
Repetition and yearly follow-up breed success with God's blessings**
- 30. Teach and assist with Advertisement**
- 31. Financial support to local evangelist**
- 32. Work with them; not for them. Change comes slowly. Don't tell them what to do. Listen, and assist them with their goals.**
- 33. Learn and teach Foundations**
- 34. Learn and teach Rest of the Story**
- 35. Send someone out to lead singing or just encourage once a month**
- 36. Make up gifts to hand out to visitors**
- 37. Have special prayer sessions for them on a weekly basis**
- 38. Love them, sit by them, listen to their story, take them out to eat and pay for it. Be humble. Be a servant. Follow Christ!**
- 39. Hold a singing workshop or area wide singing.**
- 40. Print books for them**
- 41. Provide new and attractive tracts**
- 42. Provide WBS Bibles**
- 43. Teach them to connect with WBS and assist them with prospects in their area.**
- 44. Encourage preacher and elders (or leaders)**
- 45. When you visit, give generously.**
- 46. Make a wish list from the members**
- 47. Hand out what you will do list**
- 48. Do not get into doctrinal arguments. Stay away from personal opinions. You are there on God's mission. Ask questions, listen, but stay away from the 6 deadly words: "I think, I want, and I feel."**
- 49. Purchase a small bus to pick up children if they will use it.**
- 50. Listen, ask questions, be patient. It takes a long time to help a congregation grow and stay with it. Equip leaders, challenge members, pray.**