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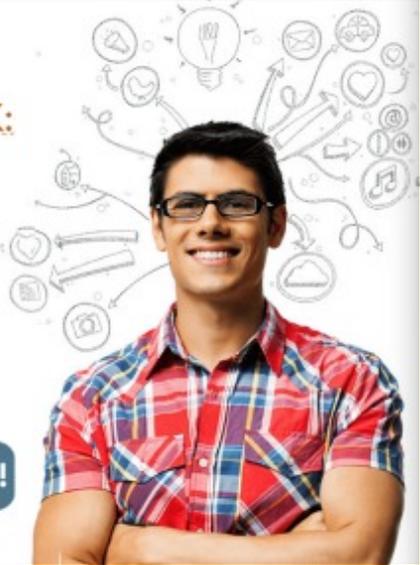
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Dear Church Leader,

After you investigate our new Implementation Lab (lead article), see the next article to answer this question: Does your church have the right amount of administrative support? —Dr. Warren Bird

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Preview: Leadership Network Implementation Lab

We're getting ready to start something brand new, and we want you to come and see what it's all about! Starting in November, Leadership Network will be helping churches all over the country take their plans and make them a reality.

We call it the [Leadership Network Implementation Lab](#).

Our new Implementation Lab program will help your church go from “Ideas to Implementation to Impact” much faster than you could do on your own. Each month, we’ll guide you, step-by-step, how you can get started in key areas of leadership development, ministry programs, and personal growth.

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Do You Have the Right Amount of Administrative Support?

by Warren Bird

We get a lot of great questions (one way to ask us is through our new [Implementation Lab](#)), and here’s a great one I recently received:

“Is there a recommended amount of administrative assistant hours for a



How to Help Couples Have Conversations About Giving

by Chris Willard with Warren Bird

You never know what happens with couples on those car rides home after a church pastor or other leader has just presented their latest inspiring talk on financial giving.

God may have moved one or both

staff? I am trying to figure out what our church of 2,000 should have invested in administrative assistants. We are seemingly overstaffed but want to find some data or a resource to back up that claim.”

partners in the couple to take a step toward generosity, and they would love to talk about it with their spouse. But how do you broach a subject as sensitive as money? Having a talk about sex might be easier!

Whatever the church size, this is an important issue. I don't have hard research for an answer, but I do have recommendations.

“As pastors, sometimes we think if we can just motivate people to give, then we've given them what they need,” says Clay Smith, Senior Pastor of Alice Drive Baptist Church in Sumter, SC. “But having this conversation is a skill that usually needs more than motivation. People need a place to start.”



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