

PLANNING AND LEADING MULTI-GENERATIONAL WORSHIP

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**Young men and maidens together,
old men and children!**

**Let them praise the name of the Lord,
for his name alone is exalted;
his majesty is above earth and heaven.**

PSALM 148:12-13

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**We will not hide them from their children,
but tell to the coming generation
the glorious deeds of the Lord,
and his might,
and the wonders that he has done.**

PSALM 78:4

**THE PHRASE
"ALL GENERATIONS"
OCCURS IN
SCRIPTURE OFTEN**

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**TIMES IN BOTH
THE OLD AND
NEW TESTAMENTS**

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WHAT DO WE MEAN BY INTERGENERATIONAL





WHAT TYPES OF WORSHIP SERVICES DO WE HAVE?

Traditional

Contemporary

Blended

Children's Worship



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HOW DID WE GET HERE?

- Self-absorbed culture
- Pervasive segregation in culture
- Target-marketing
- Fractured living arrangements – retirement homes, gated communities
- Fun and “more engaging” for younger children
- Easier to staff and specialize than generalize
- Retirement as an expected life cycle
- Institutional day care and elder care
- The “graded-everything” movement
- Obsession with youth culture – youth camps and youth music

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WHAT IS CHRIST'S VISION FOR THE CHURCH?

"I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me.

John 17:20-23

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MISCONCEPTIONS ABOUT THE GENERATIONS



CHILDREN



STUDENTS



ADULTS



SENIOR ADULTS



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**EVERY PERSON WHO ATTENDED WOODSTOCK
IS NOW A SENIOR ADULT**



ADDING STYLE TO OUR WORSHIP

Making Choices that Reflect
the Family of God



MUTUAL SUBMISSION

Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, making the best use of the time, because the days are evil.

Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is.

And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart, giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

Ephesians 5:15-21



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PRACTICAL WAYS TO FOSTER MULTI-GENERATIONAL WORSHIP

- Know your people!
- Let the platform reflect the congregation.
- Foster multi-generational activities outside corporate worship.
- Enable children to lead worship, not entertain the grown-ups.
- Connect the song of the people with their stories!
- Revitalize older songs and find traditional ways to lead newer songs.
- Discover forgotten texts and set them today.
- Help parents teach and lead their children well.

SLIDES FROM TODAY'S PRESENTATIONS

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