

The Reasons for Adding Additional Elders

- To add new _____, strengths and _____ to the already existing elder team.
- To spread the load of _____ among the elders and keep them from falling on just a few men.
- To more adequately _____ the needs of a growing congregation.

The Process for Adding Additional Elders

- _____: Explain to the congregation the qualifications and responsibilities of an elder as defined by Scripture. (May 17)
- _____: Receive nominations from the church membership. (May 18 - June 14)
- _____ – Phase 1: Elder nominees are assessed by the current elders to ensure they meet the biblical qualifications and responsibilities of an elder. (June 15 - July 17)
- _____ – Phase 2: Elder nominees enter into a time of further assessment as it relates to elder expectations and ministry and theological alignment. (July 21 - Sept. 11)
- _____: Elder candidates are presented to the congregation for examination. (Sept. 20)
- _____: Elder candidates are voted on by the church membership. (Oct. 4)

The Qualifications of an Elder

- Is he above _____ and an _____ to others... (1 Timothy 3:2; Titus 1:7)
 - ...in his personal _____?
 - Is he sober-_____? Does he exercise sound judgment and have a track record of making good, thoughtful, wise decisions? (1 Timothy 3:2)
 - Is he self-_____? Is he able to control his emotions, desires and actions? (1 Timothy 3:2; Titus 1:8)
 - Is he _____? Is he someone others look up to and admire? (1 Timothy 3:2)
 - Is he a _____? Is he self-controlled in his use of alcohol? (1 Timothy 3:3; Titus 1:7)
 - ...in his personal _____?
 - Is he _____? Does he regularly welcome people into his home and at church? (1 Timothy 3:2; Titus 1:8)
 - Is he _____? Or is he quick tempered and easily angered with others? (1 Timothy 3:3; Titus 1:7)
 - Is he _____? Is he quick to defer and yield his personal preferences and rights for the sake of others? (1 Timothy 3:3)
 - Is he a _____? Or is he argumentative, combative or divisive? Does conflict and turmoil seem to follow him around everywhere he goes? (1 Timothy 3:3; Titus 1:7)
 - Is he _____? Or is he self-willed, stubborn and proud? Does he insist on his own way? (Titus 1:7)

- Is he _____? Is he just, fair and honest in his dealings with others? (Titus 1:8)
- Does he have a good and favorable reputation with those _____ the church? (1 Timothy 3:7)
- ...in his _____ life?
 - Is he _____ committed to and faithful to his wife? (1 Timothy 3:2; Titus 1:6)
 - Do his _____ respect and submit to his authority? Or are they out of control and disobedient? (1 Timothy 3:4-5; Titus 1:6)
 - Does he _____ his family well? Does he humbly teach, care for, protect and lead his family? (1 Timothy 3:4-5)
 - If he is single, is he sexually _____ and above reproach in his relationships with others?
 - If he is single, is he assuming the role of spiritual _____ in discipling relationships with other men?
- ...in his relationship to _____?
 - Is he _____ with his money and possessions? Or is he greedy and stingy? (1 Timothy 3:3; Titus 1:7)
- ...in his personal _____ with Christ?
 - Is he a mature _____ believer? Or is he a new convert? (1 Timothy 3:6)
 - Is he devoted to living a life of _____ that is pleasing to God? (Titus 1:8)
- Is he able to _____ and _____ sound doctrine? (1 Timothy 3:2; Titus 1:9)
 - Is he _____ in his devotion to God's Word? Is he willing to incur opposition and abuse because of his belief in and commitment to the truths and teachings of Scripture?
 - Is he able to explain to others what the Bible means and how it applies in such a way that people clearly _____ and are encouraged?
 - Is he able to _____ those who contradict the sound teaching of Scripture? Is he able to point out where they are in error and explain the truth of Scripture to them?

The Responsibilities of an Elder

- An elder is responsible to _____ the flock. (Ephesians 4:11-16; 1 Thessalonians 5:12; 1 Timothy 3:2; Titus 1:9; Hebrews 13:7)
 - Teach the _____.
 - _____ the saints.
- An elder is responsible to _____ the flock. (Acts 20:28-31; Titus 1:9)
 - Protects the church from false _____ and teachers.
 - Protects the church from _____.
 - Protects the church from _____ and disunity.
- An elder is responsible to _____ for the flock. (Acts 11:29-30, 20:35; Hebrews 13:17; James 5:14-16; 1 Peter 5:1-2)
 - Cares for those suffering _____.
 - Cares for those suffering _____.
- An elder is responsible to _____ the flock. (1 Thessalonians 5:12; 1 Timothy 3:4-5, 5:17; Hebrews 13:7,17; 1 Peter 5:1-4)
 - Lead the flock with _____.
 - Lead the flock by his _____.
 - Lead the flock with the _____.

Welcome to Cross Fellowship Church!

We are grateful that you have come to worship with us today and pray that you feel welcome. If you have any questions about our church, the service, sermon or anything else, we would love to talk to you! Stop by the Welcome Table in the lobby or talk to one of the elders. We'd also encourage you to complete a Visitor Information Card, which is located at the Welcome Table.

Equipping Seminar: The Gospel and the Christian's Work

Tonight | 4-5:30 p.m.

Matt Ross Community Center (8101 Marty St, Overland Park)

Join us for Part 4 of our Equipping Seminar on The Gospel and the Christian's Work. During this final seminar, we will get really practical as we consider the day-to-day implications of the gospel on our work. Childcare is provided.

Summer Location Change

We will be transitioning our Sunday morning worship gatherings beginning May 24 from John Diemer to Indian Woods Middle School (9700 Woodson, Overland Park). The worship gathering will still begin at 10 a.m. This will be a temporary change, only through the summer, as the school district will be doing some construction at John Diemer. Please spread the word. We'll have more information in the very near future.

Email Newsletter

Have you signed up to receive our weekly email newsletter? If not, simply go to crossfellowshipchurch.org, click the "Sign Up" button near the top of the page, and fill in the form. This is the best way to stay up to date on what's going on at Cross Fellowship Church.

Sunday Morning Offering

Unlike most churches, we do not pass a collection plate each Sunday to collect your financial gifts and offerings. Instead, if you would like to financially contribute toward our church-related ministries, you can do so in the offering box located in the back of the gym. Thank you!

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Discipleship Communities

Our discipleship communities, or small groups, are the primary place in which we seek to live as disciples together who love God supremely, one another humbly, and the world sacrificially. Please join us!

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