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To Care for People Where They Live and Work

COMMUNITY Care TOPIC

Teamwork!

Teamwork is a highly valued skill in the workplace. There are not many jobs that one can successfully accomplish without working closely with others. Working together to reach a shared goal or purpose is the foundation upon which all teams are based. It is when people have consensus, a meeting of the minds, and collaborate and provide input for the common good.

Teams Come in Many Forms

One of the most popular and easily recognizable is a family unit or sports team.

Teamwork Does Not Just Happen

It depends on the communication and leadership skills of ALL members. Effective teams strive to improve performance, increase cooperation and morale, improve interpersonal relationships, and reduce conflict, in order to reach a common goal.

What are The Advantages to Working in a Team?

An advantage to working in a team is that a larger amount of work can be completed in a shorter amount of time. If one person attempts to build a house, it would certainly take much longer than it would for a team of carpenters, electricians, and plumbers working together to build the same house. There can be wisdom and insight from a group of people (*Proverbs 24:6*).

What is Some Important Team Building Skills?

- Ability to commit to a shared goal.
- Ability to strategize.
- Ability to solicit and listen to the thoughts, opinions and ideas of others.
- Ability to be flexible.
- Ability to be open and honest with your feelings and ideas.
- Ability to be a follower as well as leader when needed.
- Ability to respect the contribution of others.
- Ability to agree and commit to what's best for the team, even when it may not be the best for you personally.

What are Some Team Building Activities?

Want to turn that boring meeting into a more memorable experience? Why not incorporate ice breaker games, ethic "what if" exercises, and even generic case discussions. This fosters an environment will people collaborate, share, use critical thinking, and maybe even laugh!

Your team needs *you* today. Remember "TEAM" stands for: *Together, Everyone, Achieves, More!*

Introducing your Community Chaplain

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"For by wise counsel thou shalt make thy war: and in multitude of counselors there is safety."
Proverbs 24:6

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