

Community Restoration:

Model of Community Restoration...

The Flow for this session

Orthodoxy - Biblical & Theological Implications

The Process for Community Restoration

Orthopraxis - Faith Based (FBO) & Models for Ministry

Case Studies – Two stories of community transformation

Questions/Discussion

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Orthodoxy Biblical and Theological Implications

Biblical and Theological implications...

<u>Scripture</u>	<u>Theological Principle</u>	<u>Implications for restoration</u>
Jeremiah 29:4-8	Restoration	Restoration is always in abundance. When something is restored, it is always better than it was to begin with. God's promise to us is a better way, a better life, a better future for ourselves and our loved ones.
Luke 4:16-21	Liberation	The act of setting someone free from imprisonment, slavery, or oppression; release. the liberation of all political prisoners"
Romans 14:17-19	Shalom	Hebrew word meaning peace, harmony, wholeness, completeness, prosperity, welfare and tranquility

The Paradox of Community...

John Perkins in the book “Restoring at Risk Communities”, identifies the three R’s:

1. Reconciliation – restoration of broken relationships and communities
2. Redistribution – building community through job, employment and economic investment.
3. Relocation – living among the community and illustrating the ministry of presence.

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The Process to Restore Communities

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The Process – in the book “Community Ministry” –
Carl S. Dudley defines ...the process:

1. Social Context – community, people, focus on the needs
2. Characteristic of Churches – build from biblical & theological history and heritage
3. Congregational Identity – level of commitment to social ministry
4. Organizing for Social Ministry – builds from gifts and resources
5. Mobilize the Ministry – competent leaders & partnerships cultivated

Orthopraxis Faith Based Organization (FBO) & Models for Ministry

How to organize an FBO

- Non-profit organization as 501©3
 - NYS & Federal designation
 - Service and community commissioned
 - Community sponsored

- Five C's of FBO – connection, collaboration, credibility, commitment and customer focused

Planning for action...

- Pray – seek the Lord – Nehemiah 1:5-11
- Coalition building – 1 Corinthians 3:8-9
- Developing Leaders – Philippians 2:3-4
- Spiritual discernment – Gal 5:22-23

Two Paths to community building – Same Goal...

Community Needs

Map the neighborhood needs

Review deficiencies

Look at Three P's - people, property, problems

Community Assets

Map the neighborhood assets

Review gifts and talents – community and individuals

Look at Three B's – building, block, beliefs

Hybrid approach is holistic

The Road to success...

- Non-Profit status 501-c3 designation
- Competent and Capable leaders
- Defined governance structure and authority
- Community engagement and participation
- Financial provisions and resources committed
- Patience and Pray

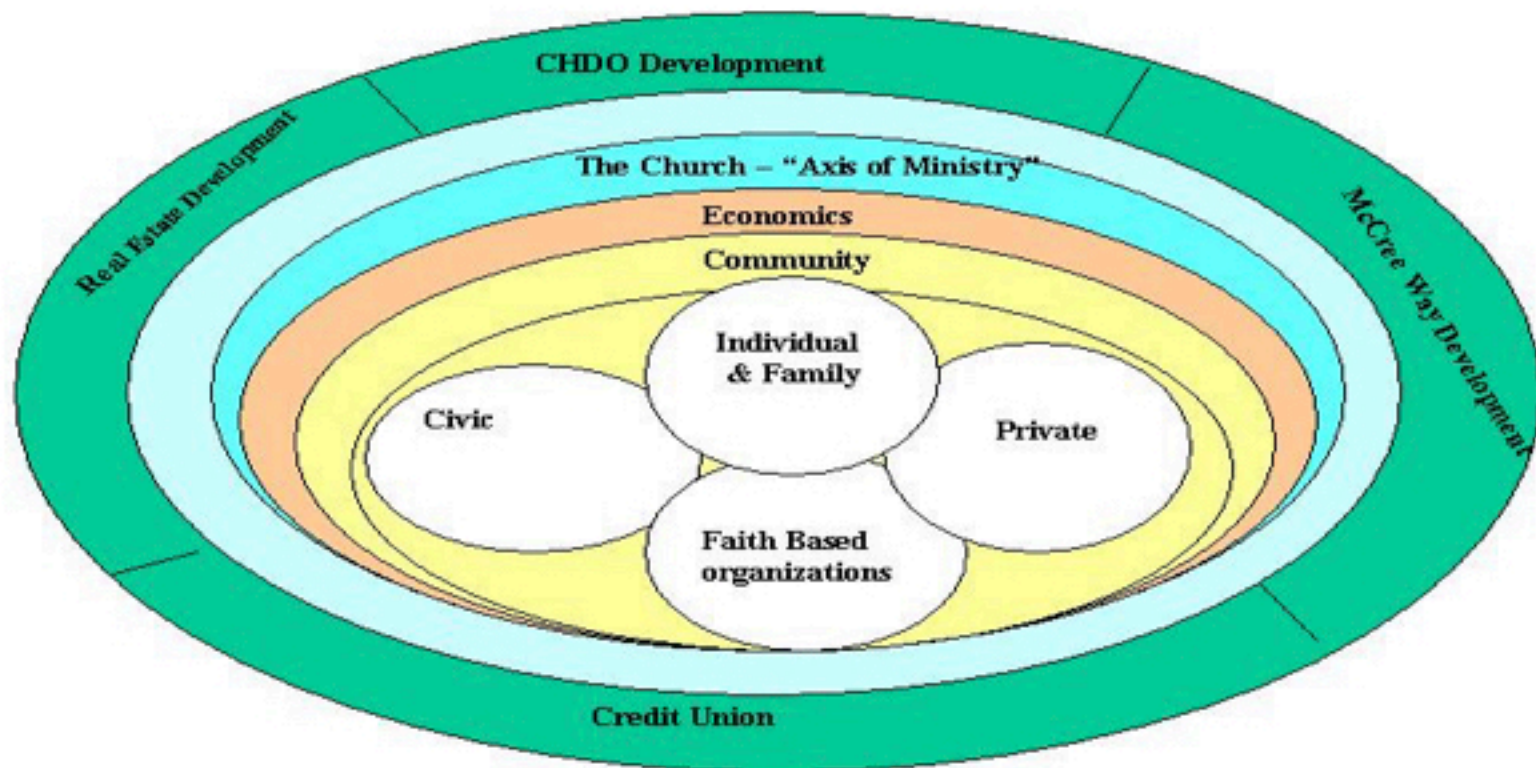
Parameters of Success...

- Incremental steps of success
- Build confidence and capability over time
- Seek alternatives for partnership with experienced groups
- Partner across social, ethnic and cultural traditions
- Stay focused on your vision and mission
- Remember its ministry – “The Kingdom of God”

The Community Model – “The Circle of Partnership”

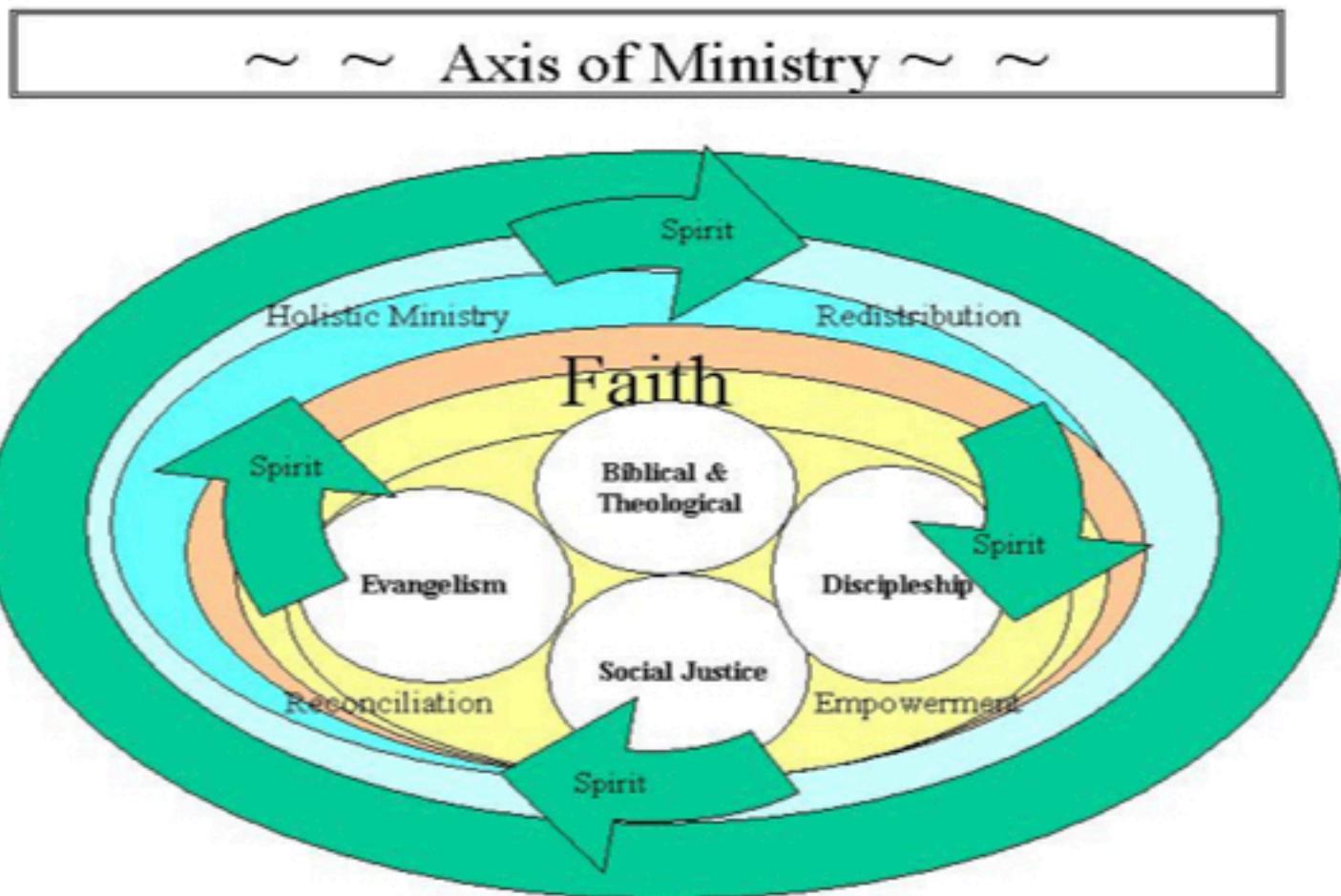
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~ ~ Circle of Partnership ~ ~



The Church Model – “The Axis of Ministry”

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Case Studies & Success Stories

Zion Hill & SWADCO's Success (2004 thru present)

- Renovated/Restored over \$1.6M of residential and commercial properties.
 - \$500K of single family homes - first time homebuyers
 - \$250K of rental property to serve low and fixed income renters
 - \$200K to restore two historical properties
 - \$1M increase in property assessments
 - \$35K increase in tax revenue for city and county
- Post sales counseling with Home-owners
- Development of McCree Way Revitalization Development Plan.
- Collaboration with City of Rochester – Housing Bureau
- Collaboration with FHLB - Federal Home Loan Bank
- College Student – Internship program
- Financial Freedom Seminars
- Increased witnessing opportunity
- 2019 – Senior Family Apartments off McCree Way

First Genesis Baptist Church – model for the future

- First Genesis Baptist Church organized the First Genesis Development Corporation – 501c3
- Utilizing the “Axis for Ministry” and “Circle of Partnership” as the guiding principles
- \$45m1818 dollar Economic Development Project – two phases – Senior Apartments (qty 95) and Home Ownership - Single-family Homes (Qty 44)
- Holistic framework to build generations and families to bring forth restoration, liberation and shalom

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Questions

1. What are the implications for the Church in the 21st century?
2. What are the critical success factors for community restoration?

Discussion