

## FELLOWSHIP AND COMMUNICATION

- 37 -- hostess or hosts assigned for coffee hours to ensure everyone socializes - with a sign
  - +6 -- more space for after church fellowship; chair groupings?
  - +1 -- fellowship in coffee hour
  - +1 -- lounge congested for coffee time, new people may feel overwhelmed
  - +0 -- more volunteers for coffee time
  - +0 -- refreshments for youth at coffee time
  - +0 -- noisy in coffee room
  
- 26 -- fellowship is key to the church; comes from working together on projects and study groups; we have a good variety; encourage more types of groups
  
- 19 -- use Moorcroft for socials
  
- 14 -- Guess Who's Coming for coffee/brunch after church
  - +9 -- bring back Guess Who's Coming to dinner - interact with different people
  
- 13 -- information for new people around church structure and committees
  - +3 -- follow up sessions for newcomers
  - +1 -- hand out information booklet to newcomers
  
- 9 -- telephone trees for those not on e-mail e.g. info. regarding memorial services
  
- 8 -- evening fellowship for people who want it
  
- 7 -- more Presbytery news
- 7 -- financial needs to be communicated for specific needs: "wish list" perhaps, "over and above"
  
- 6 -- pre-service fellowship and coffee time/awareness of those new or hard of hearing
- 6 -- celebration for volunteers - name them and feed them
- 6 -- keep greeting time - it is important
  
- 4 -- blurbs from groups about what they do in newsletters and bulletins e.g. YIKES
- 4 -- have a question/suggestion box
  
- 3 -- games night
- 3 -- publicity around pastoral care visitations - who is your visitor and what is his/her role?
- 3 -- management group and committees need to ensure a written response goes to authors of letters

3 -- newsletter info about who is the editor and what are contact numbers

2 -- more knowledge of children's program

2 -- training for leaders

2 -- do not overlook people not on e-mail

+0 -- more scrutiny of what's coming through e mail - stronger guidelines

+0 -- all e mails only go out one time per day or less if not time sensitive

+0 -- 72 families without e mail be asked what they want or need

+0 -- somewhere in reception have copies of e mail communications for pick up

+0 -- too many e mails

+0 -- e mail helps

2 -- information out regarding pastoral concerns

2 -- fellowship outside building - "let's go RVing this weekend"

2 -- Sunday coffee group cliquish - no one talks to you

2 -- services and sermons 'on web' or radio stations, tapes, CDs, for shut ins and others

1 -- have mission statement posted where it can be seen

1 -- acoustics in lounge are bad

1 -- connect Sunday School teachers with other groups

1 -- people need to know there are hard copies of newsletters available

1 -- website needs some more input ; groups need to know they can submit stuff

1 -- communication, training for scripture readers

1 -- coffee time prior to service

1 -- church bulletin: church notices first -- final section for personal advertising

1 -- communication from and to local community around needs

1 -- changing role of pastoral care visitors

0 -- more communication to community

0 -- different venues for worship

0 -- follow up with new comers

0 -- minister exchange with different faiths

0 -- plan retreats

0 -- communication hopeless (office good, committees bad)

0 - respect generational differences

0 -- good for newsletter to be every 2 months

0 -- change of rules at hospital -- don't assume they will tell your minister

0 -- Sisters United works -- more inclusive for fellowship than separate groups

0 -- schematic of areas of responsibility