

Introduction:

BUILDING BLOCK 301 -OUTLINE

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This is a 10-part plan, designed to fit within Building Block classes 201, 301, and 401. The basic goal is to layout biblical principles of growth and maturity in Christ, and to bring members from the benches to active and committed service within the local church.

- 1. Block 1: Called to Overcome- New Life
- 2. Block 2: Basics of Building Processing
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- 5. Block 5: Stewardship The right response to our calling
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- 7. Block 7: Catching the Vision
- 8. Block 8: Running with the Vision
- 9. Block 9: Taking Ownership of the vision
- 10. Block 10: leaving a Legacy being future-minded

Inevitability of Processing - Baking the bricks

Maturity of all believers is of prime importance to the sustenance and progress of every God given vision, and even to the success of the mission of the church throughout the earth. To fit in and form a solid frame, each brick must go through the fire to be baked. This ensures that a brick can withstand changes in temperature, pressure and climatic conditions. Likewise, a new member of a local body, similar to a new believer will face pressures and trials they may not have anticipated.

Fitting into a new body of believers may be hard work for new members, especially after plugging in to an area of service.

Demands on their commitment, their time and their treasures, be it time, talents or otherwise to bring glory to God

Demands on their ability to relate to and work with other believers, which may require adjustment in personality traits

Demands on their obedience, by submitting to leadership in their various areas of service, which translates into submission to the vision of the leadership

Demands on their faith, as they submit to trusting God in whatever personal trials they may be facing, as they still endeavor to fit in their area of service within the local church

We can help new members to understand the inevitability of trials and challenges in their personal lives as well, and be a source of encouragement, helping them to grow in that, trials and challenges should not be reason enough to step away from God's call.

Teach new members in a practical way, the power of intercession and corporate prayer, as we agree together with them in prayer for God's divine intervention in their specific situations. We can also through this, show them the importance and benefits of being a part of God's family, by meeting their needs, spiritually and physically.

Ultimately, we must teach new members to understand that trials *will* come, but the secret to growing in Christ is 'having done all, to STAND'. We can encourage them to know that the secret to being built up in our inner man lies in continuing to serve God in every way He has empowered us to, even when it is inconvenient and difficult.

This is also a great opportunity to direct new members to other ministries in the church designed to meet their needs, such as Overcomers' Ministry e.g. Divorce Care, encouragement, healing, crisis counseling, teen pressures, etc. Welfare Ministry, Love Net e.g. fellowship etc. we must affirm them and emphasize that we are here for them and are doing everything to be a place and a people through whom God can meet their needs.

Purpose of processing – "...the mighty working of His Power..."

When we have been processed, we learn to be humble and to work with other believers to support the vision and mission of the leadership of the church. As God peels away the layers of self and doing things our own way, or 'as we have always done', we become more pliable in His Hands and more useful to Him and the local church He has placed us in. The more of His divine nature that is revealed within us through processing, the more of His excellence can be revealed through us. "For we have this heavenly treasure in earthly vessels, so that the excellency of the power may be of God and not of us"

This may be a good point to emphasize the vision of church, the needs and challenges we face in achieving this and how much the commitment of each member in their place of service adds to the progress of the work

Responsibility grows as a person's capacity to shoulder pressure grows. Emphasize the desire of the leadership, in line with God's desire to see each one grow and mature in Christ, to maximize their God-given potential, in order to be a greater blessing to the body of Christ locally and globally. Emphasize that each one has been placed here to make an impact wherever God has placed them in the body and they

can do this most effectively when they have learned to maximize their God-given potential

- Remind our people at every given opportunity that they are special and we are blessed to be called into the same family with them

Benefits of Processing

- Maturity in Christ, and a refining of our nature
- Favor with God and man, as we seek His direction in all things
- Leadership increased responsibility in God's house, which should be considered both as a God-given privilege and duty, and as such should not be handled lightly.

Attitude to Processing – a learning posture

An attitude of excellence, which is our conscious commitment to glorify God in every circumstance, knowing He will work all things together for our good

Help new members to understand the importance and benefit of having a family of believers to share their challenges and celebrate their triumphs with as they journey towards maturity in Christ individually and together

Block 3: Discovering His Purpose

This class should answer the following questions for new members:

How do I find out where God has called me to function in the local body of believers? How can I function most effectively to glorify God's name?

How do I help to build up other believers and carry the vision of the church forward?

- Helping new members discover their gifts and talents
- Helping them develop these gifts and talents
- Helping them understand the grace of God at work in the working of all these gifts
- Helping them find their calling and area of service where they can utilize these gifts and talent to bring God glory and thus to run with the vision of the church
- Teach them to understand the place and need for skill in the working of these gifts and talents, that excellence is the minimum requirement for God's work and to move the vision another step forward

Block 4: Servanthood – The right attitude to fitting in

- Observing and upholding order in the house of the Lord
- Emphasize House Protocol and its importance to moving the vision forward
- Commitment, dedication and an attitude of gratitude to God for calling us to be a part of His work
- Seeking to please God in all we do, "...working as unto the Lord and not unto men..."
- Learning to put emotions and feelings aside, since building is not the most delicate of work. We must be gentle with each other and caring towards one another. "...Finally brethren, whatsoever things are kind....", "...be kind and tender-hearted one to another...". Feelings may be hurt sometimes, notwithstanding, but how can

we get past hurt feelings and continue our God-given charge, still working together as a team?

Block 5: Stewardship - The right response to our calling

- Understanding the responsible attitude to exercising our gifts, for His glory and the edification (building up) of His church
- Getting the 'big picture mentality' getting 'myself and my way of doing things' out of the way to embrace the vision of the whole "...the whole body being built up together..."
- Growing in responsibility- acquiring skill in our area of service. Learning from others and submitting to each other in love.
- Growing in excellence in the exercise of our gifts, talents and natural abilities
- Developing personal integrity in our walk, since this empowers our witness

Block 6: Building up others – Understanding our calling

- Teaching new members the emphasis the church places on its commitment to the development of leadership potential within each one and the importance of each member's commitment to this development to fulfilling the vision of the church
- Building ourselves up empowers us to build others up through encouragement, mentorship etc.
- Emphasize the sovereign plan of God in "...working all things together for the good of them that love Him...", that the experiences we have been through and whatever God allowed was fro our good, and the good of His purpose, to strengthen others and bring others up to "...full measure in Christ..." in order to fulfill His purpose throughout the earth

Dates and Courses are subject to change All Courses will be taught in English

Time: WEDNESDAY 19:30

Section Time: 45min per section

Ministry Leader:

Mirjam F.Oge

Meeting Days:

Wednesdays Time: 19:30

Venue: ANC Premises / Video Call

Course Duration:

21 Subjects 3 months

Open Forum:

Design also to bring all the students of (Cornerstone, Building Blocks) and their Ministry leader together to ask any question bothering them.

Design to open discussion on issues facing them on daily basis.

Which will take every Friday at the church premises.

Examination

You will be tested on the material (teaching, handouts, books) given in the class. The Exams will consist of true and false questions, multiple-choices questions and some written answers.

Test due is always 3 weeks after every lesson took place, and need to be submitted to the Admin. The student will receive the test and instructions after every class.

1. Reading Assignments

You have one main book to read that is required for all classes- THE BIBLE. Read it all the time.

In some courses you will receive additional books. All books you receive will be required reading and reading them will count towards your grade of the course.

2. Class Notes

Please take notes in every class. You will need them to answer your tests questions.

Class notes may not be copied, distributed, resold or given to anyone without special permission.

Assessment and Report:

<u>Wix app;</u> This would be used to send info to the respective students, and also to keep them informed about upcoming activities.

<u>Teacher's kit:</u> registration, report and assessment would be done through the use of the Teacher's kit app

B. Class Audio Recordings

All audios are free but a seed of love offering is always appreciated to support the media team in this Class.

C. Duty Assignments

There are a variety of assignments that students are expected to volunteer for. It is a wonderful opportunity to serve the body of Christ through the ministry of helps. Every student in this course should be at least involved in a department in the church.

Goal

- Challenge you to be practical.
- Not just to be an execrator but an active member.

James 2:14-

Faith without works is dead.

- How to be an active member.
- We the church we are the arms and the legs, mouth, eyes
- Sometimes we don't know how much God needs us

Church Attendance:

Students are therefore required to attend both weekly and Sunday services to further enhance their spiritual growth.

Punctuality:

You are expected to come early for your classes in order to benefit maximally from each module

You are to be timed conscious, disciplined, studious and involved.

Ministry Material

During the course of the school, each student is expected to get (study and listen) to the ministry Audio messages and other materials recommended by their Ministry Leader.

Graduation

Upon the successful completion of the foundation requirements, students will graduate at a lovely and colorful ceremony with an awarded certificate.

Class Leader: Mirjam F. Oge