

# CORNERSTONES

A MULTI - INTELLIGENCE APPROACH TO CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

## Consultation Packet

As you explore a Cornerstones consultation, ponder why you are thinking about it:

Perhaps you've done your homework on the Workshop Rotation Model (WRM) and have decided to get it started in your congregation. You're looking for a consultation that will be the first step in igniting the congregation to launch this program. This is a blueprint; by the end of the day, the people you gathered will be able to tell others about how the WRM works, what teams are needed and how everyone's talent is needed.

Perhaps you think your teachers need training. They might need the basics of the WRM. They might need to understand the scope and sequence of the year's stories, how to unpack a lesson or participate in a workshop focus (i.e., drama, puppetry, storytelling, art.) You might want some guidance in how to pursue a multi-generational program.

Perhaps you been doing the WRM for awhile and need some renewal. You are looking for some fresh ideas and an infusion of energy.

Cornerstones will customize the consultation to the goals that you set.

What are your goals for a consultation?

1. For your Christian Education program:
2. For your teachers:
3. For your children:
4. For the parents:

Take a look at the list of workshop choices, the schedule and the fees.

Give me a call and we'll work out the details.

Blessings on your ministry,

Pamela Riedy

## **Workshops by Pamela Riedy**

### **Workshop Rotation Model 101: The Basics**

Is your Sunday School program working for you? Perhaps it's time to trade it in for a new model. The Workshop Rotation Model encourages children to use all of their intelligences. Discover the sense of adventure that grabs onto a whole congregation when it decides to adopt the model, inviting parishioners to use their talent as the vehicle to pass on the faith to the next generation. Learn how to make Sunday School the foundation for life-long learning.  
Supplies: digital projector or overhead projector

### **What's a Scope and Sequence?**

Let's be intentional about what we're teaching in our Sunday Schools. This workshop will develop a one year scope and sequence that develops a theme from Old Testament through New Testament and through the new church. You'll look at curriculum in a whole new way! Be prepared to think.  
Supplies: large chalk board or dry erase board

### **How to Plan a Workshop Rotation Model Unit: Be Aware of Talent**

This workshop is a step-by-step approach on how to organize a rotation. It includes a general reference to "scope and sequence", identifying which workshops to run, finding the talent, and making it all happen. We'll brainstorm how to create whole-church events to enhance and celebrate the connection between spiritual growth and all of the generations.

Pre-requisite: What is Scope and Sequence?

### **Unpacking a Lesson: How to Prepare for a Workshop**

Learn how to read a lesson for its intent, what needs to be done in advance, execution and how to adjust for different ages. This is a fundamental workshop for teachers.

### **Mural Magic: Room Design for the Workshop Rotation Model**

Hear about successful approaches for designing Sunday School space for the Workshop Rotation Model. Experiment with creating a mural, brainstorm 3D ideas, identify needed talent and start making plans.

### **Generation to Generation: Interactive Christian Formation among Generations**

Participate in the recreation of Leonardo's Last Supper and ponder the power of a church event that involves four generations. Both children and adults appreciate being engaged in a story with interactive learning opportunities. By the end of this workshop, you will be inspired to offer a program that gets the generations talking together and sharing their faith.

### **Storytelling I: I Can Do That!**

Experience the art of storytelling through first-person (Corrie ten Boom), back-to-back dialogues (Sarah and Hagar), group participation (a Tennebrae reading), and a great story about a prayer-chain.  
Supplies: opportunity to make the room dark.

### **Storytelling II: Who's on the Inside/ Who's on the Outside: The Samaritan Woman at the Well**

Creating back-to-back dialogues, ponder how two different people walk through the same experience within the limits of their roles and stereotypes. Hear how Jesus changed the life of the Samaritan Woman at the Well and then adjust the dialogues to become reconciling. This is great for a youth or adult retreat!  
Supplies: Chalkboard or dry erase board

### **Eat Your Way through Handel's *Messiah***

Experience Handel's *Messiah* by expressing the mood of four pieces through arrangements of candy and snacks. This is great for ministries of all ages as well as an intergenerational event.  
Supplies: CD player

## Sample Schedule for a Consultation by Pam Riedy of Cornerstones

8:30 – 9 AM	Registration with morning refreshments
9:00 – 9:15 AM	Opening remarks
9:15 – 10:15 AM	Workshop Rotation Model 101: The Basics
10:30 – 11:30 AM	What's a Scope and Sequence?
11:45 – 12:30PM	Lunch
12:30 – 1:30 PM	Pick two:  How to Plan a Workshop Rotation Model Unit: Be Aware of Talent  Unpacking a Lesson: How to Prepare for a Workshop  Mural Magic: Room Design for the WRM  Generation to Generation
1:45 – 2:45 PM	
2:45 – 3 PM	Closing: The Weaving

Cost to Host Church: Consultation fee plus transportation expense.

### Additional details:

- a. Transportation costs:
  - a. If I fly, I fly out of O'Hare Airport in Chicago and arrive Friday afternoon.
  - b. If you are local and I can drive, the current federal reimbursement rate applies. You can MapQuest the total mileage door-to-door and know the exact figure. I need one hour to set up at the church.
    - i. If I can drive there in two hours, I can arrive on Saturday morning.
    - ii. If it's further away but still drivable, I will need to arrive Friday afternoon.
- b. Friday night is a good time to have dinner with the core team where I can glean triumphs and frustrations from the conversation and incorporate them on Saturday.
- c. Lodging: I am willing to stay at someone's home as long as it is relatively clean and I am not in the basement (been there – done that – not conducive to leading a six-hour workshop the next day.)
- d. Sometimes a mid-week consultation can work if you are within the Chicagoland area and are very defined in what you want.
- e. Feel free to invite other churches. You might charge a nominal fee to help pay for the fees.

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