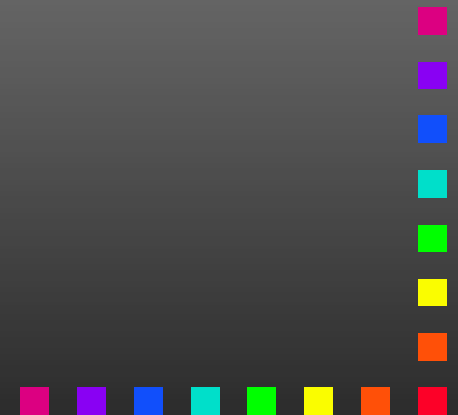
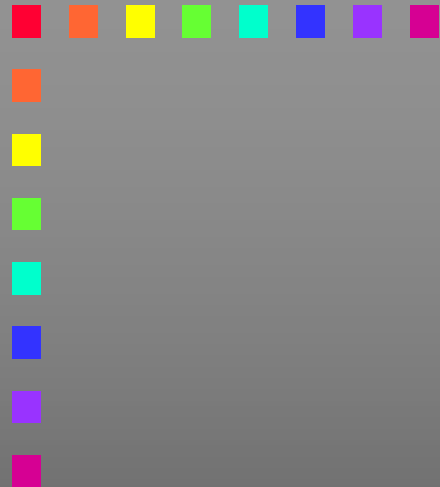


Keys to Good Sponsorship





Sponsorship:

The most important job of all.





Sponsorship:



A sponsor is one who takes responsibility for another



The suffix -ship refers to the skill involved in the activity

Sponsorship is the skill of taking
responsibility for another



Sponsorship Model Found in Luke 24:13 - 35

- Jesus joins folks who are already believers
- Faith is “re-explained”
- Grace is “re-experienced”
- Folks “re-turned” to Christian community to share their experience



Sponsorship is:

- Commitment to invite, guide & support
- Represents God working person to person
- To recruit strong church leaders ... to strengthen the local church
- To create a strong Emmaus/Chrysalis community



The Upper Room Handbook

- first act of agape before a Weekend begins
- undergirds the whole weekend with sacrificial love on behalf of each pilgrim/caterpillar
- foundation for a healthy, effective movement fulfilling its true purpose
- Aim: to bring spiritual revitalization, new life, vision to the church
- Purpose: build up the Body of Christ



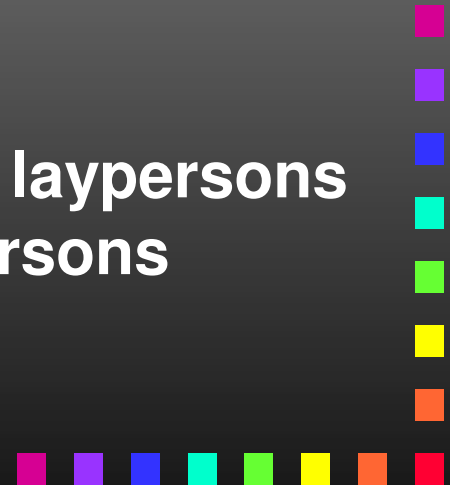
Follow Spiritual Principles

- Prayer – the first step in sponsorship
- Openness to God – enables us to become God’s instrument in furthering divine will through the Walk To Emmaus and Chrysalis
- Calling by name – an important aspect of sponsorship



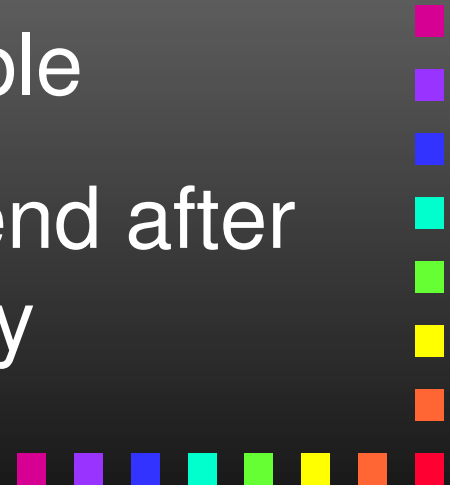
Purposeful Sponsoring

- Church Leaders
- Dependable Church Members
- Less Active Members
- Christians hungry for “something more”
- Christians who want to grow spiritually
- Members & leaders representing a cross section of the church & society
- Respected laypersons & clergypersons



Questionable Sponsorship

- Non-Christians & persons with no relationship to the Church of Jesus Christ
- Persons undergoing emotional crisis or who are psychologically unstable
- Persons who decide not to attend after being presented the opportunity



Questionable Sponsorship

- Christians whose theology and/or practice is notably different or incompatible
- “Church hoppers” & “Soap boxers”
- Persons who are always looking for another spiritual high or experience to help them “arrive”



Unwise Sponsorship

- Haphazard & undiscerning
- Tends to produce harvest that is a burden for the church
- May benefit the individual BUT not have positive impact on church

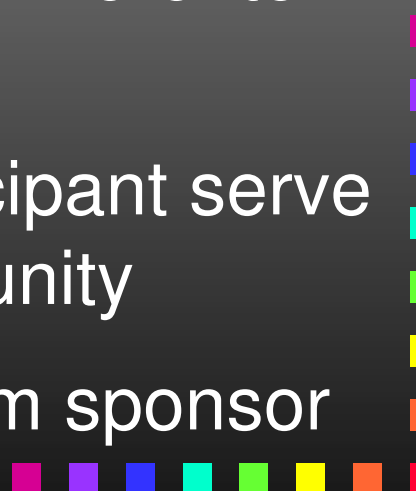
Wise Sponsorship

- Purposeful & prayerful
- Produces a balanced, theologically-centered movement of the Holy Spirit



The Process of Sponsorship

(The process of sponsorship – *Day Four: The Pilgrim's Continued Journey*)

- Pray
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 - Make an appointment
 - Extend an invitation
 - Seek a commitment
 - Continue to pray, prepare agape, enlist pastoral support
 - Support the Weekend and Pilgrim/Caterpillar
 - Help participant in the Fourth Day/Next Steps
 - Help pilgrim re-enter the church
 - Help participant serve the community
 - Help pilgrim sponsor others
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“Equal Commitment Rule”

Emmaus

- Sanctity of marriage
- Walk can be life-changing
- Deepening & strengthening the spiritual bond
- Equal commitment to participate
- Has resulted in grateful spouses
- Not only for married persons
- Does not mean spouse HAS TO
- Wisdom not law
- Community Board handles exceptions



Sponsorship Challenges:

- Team Members – arrange other sponsors
- Multiples – can you fill the responsibilities?
- “Unknown” Potential Participants



Sponsorship

- Demonstration of agape love
- Not to be entered into lightly
- Making one's self an instrument of God's Prevenient Grace

The most important job of all.



Sponsorship

The skill of taking responsibility for another

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