

PLANNING YOUR CHURCH MINISTRY CALENDAR

Understand there are seasons in church life.

Seasons to Grow, Disciple and Celebrate.

We believe there are two starts to each year: January – July August – December

If you are not doing so, track your metrics. Things we count.
ATTENDANCE.

GUESTS.

SALVATIONS.

BAPTISMS.

SMALL GROUPS.

GROWTH TRACK.

DREAM TEAM.

GIVING.

You need to know when people are coming. When do your people go on vacation? Do you live in a college town or tourist town? Don't plan big events when people are gone.

Don't compete with things you can't compete with.

Major festivals in your town.

Partner with your town to help them.

HEALTHY CHURCH SYSTEMS

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LET'S GET SPECIFIC

1. Look at holiday weekends.

We don't get to decide that.

Easter, Christmas, Fourth of July, Memorial Day, New year's,

School calendar, and spring break.

2. Think in terms of WAVES.

There are four seasons for evangelistic pushes.

- January gives a fresh start to people. They are open to change.
- Easter is an automatic outreach event and needs to be a big deal.
- September is a time when people reset after the summer and school starts back.
- Christmas is another automatic outreach season when people are likely to come to church.

Take advantage of these seasons.

3. Maximize Milestone Moments.

Take advantage to invite friends and family members to special occasions in the life of your congregation. These include baptism, child dedication, graduation recognition, etc.