



Every Member Ministry 1:1 ministry

This is the **second** core workshop for Bondi Anglican Church

Equipping Workshops are designed to be done either in groups or 1:1. They are focussed, brief, practical and designed to help the congregations and ministry teams of Bondi Anglican Parish.

At the workshop, participants work through this paper, sharing their responses to content and questions, with a focus on ministry skills, next actions and a prayerful response. Workshops take just under an hour.

The first core workshop is *The Equipping Church*. Ideally it will have been done *before* doing this workshop on Every Member Ministry. There are other workshops designed to equip in all sorts of other areas you can do after completing this workshop.

Every Member Ministry. 1:1 ministry.

Introduction: Relationships Count.

In our first Core Workshop, *The Equipping Church* we introduced the important biblical principle of everyone in a church growing to maturity. It focussed on how that happens as God's Word comes through Apostles, Prophets, Evangelists, Pastor-Teachers. These gifts are what equips all members of a church "to do acts of service", or ministry. This second workshop is about the way a good network of relationships ensures everyone in the church is being Discipled and Nurtured with Accountability.

Instead of the Rector or Youth Minister being expected to "do all the ministry to everyone", they focus on equipping other Christians to actively use their gifts in ministry. This expands the effectiveness, engagement and health of a church as it carries out the mission. For a simple example, the Rector can relate with and equip 5 people in evangelism skills, and they can each effectively reach 3 people a week, rather than the Rector attempting to reach 15 people a week.

Every member ministers... when they every member is equipped.

The equipping model allows each person to have a realistic number of people to care for/train. For some people, it may be one to one, others will have more people they minister to. But it means there is a focus on getting together with people to do ministry. Those people will be at different stages on the Pathway, some people will already be following Christ and some will not, and different gifts and skills will come into play.

Teams

The Rector will meet regularly with each DNA leader, but also get all the leaders together a few times a year. The DNA leaders apply this with their own DNA group.

The training model presented in these two introductory papers, 'the equipping church' and 'every member ministry/ 1:1 ministry' is built upon a simple pathway. Every believer, having connected to Christ and his people, grows through being part of a congregation, a DNA group and serves.

Read 1 Timothy 4

1. What will happen in later times?
2. What does Paul say Timothy's response to this should be?
3. What role should knowing the truth play for Timothy?
4. What role should godliness play for Timothy?
5. What role should using his gifts play?
6. What do you think Paul means by "progress" in verse 15?
7. What are some implications for the way you think about your faith in Christ and knowing the truth?
 - using your gifts?
 - your godliness?

-Can you start applying this in our church's life?

That means we want to grow in both knowledge and application of Christian Truth. To drive this point home: we want to grow as Disciples of Jesus in three main areas:

Discuss what each of these these look like, and how they develop.

1. **Head:** Knowledge *about* God (Theology).

2. **Heart:** personal commitment and godliness.

3. **Hands:** using our gifts to serve Jesus.

Head, heart and hands. The whole person.

Discuss these scenarios:

Think about how you may try to help these people grow, without discouraging, ignoring or judging them.

-Peter is a school teacher. He is a Christian and works hard to make his lessons effective. He feels that his teaching is part of his service of Jesus, so does not see the need to help at his local church, where he attends about once a month. He is 35 years old, single and shares a home with two other single men.

-Sandra is a secretary in a law firm. She and her husband, Tom are Christians and help out at their church in small duties or roles when asked by the staff. They attend church regularly, and enjoy music and can play piano and guitar.- but don't play at church. Their teenaged kids are showing signs of disinterest in the church and they want a church Youth Group to start.

-Tony seems to do everything at church; he is on Parish Council. He helps with SRE, he organises supper after PM church. He often reads and prays publicly. He loves helping at church, but is often too busy to help his three primary children with their homework.

-Dianne loves getting to church when she can. She has done Bible study in the past, but has not been a part of a small group for a number of years. She does not have a solid habit of reading the Bible, praying individually or with others. She works in the city and lives by herself, and feels quite lonely much of the time.

"One Another" Texts:

Read through these texts quickly and just list off some ways we can follow them- you don't have to try and be deep or profound, just some initial ideas that come to you. Discuss how we may follow these ideas at Bondi Anglican.

John 13:34

A new command I give you: Love **one another**. As I have loved you, so you must love **one another**.

John 13:35

By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love **one another**.

Romans 12:10

Be devoted to **one another** in love. Honour **one another** above yourselves

Romans 12:16

Live in harmony with **one another**. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited.

Romans 13:8

Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love **one another**, for whoever loves others has fulfilled the law.

Romans 14:13

Therefore let us stop passing judgment on **one another**. Instead, make up your mind not to put any stumbling block or obstacle in the way of a brother or sister.

Romans 15:7

Accept **one another**, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God.

Romans 15:14

I myself am convinced, my brothers and sisters, that you yourselves are full of goodness, filled with knowledge and competent to instruct **one another**.

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Romans 16:16

Greet **one another** with a holy kiss. All the churches of Christ send greetings.

1 Corinthians 1:10

I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree with **one another** in what you say and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly united in mind and thought.

1 Corinthians 16:20

All the brothers and sisters here send you greetings. Greet **one another** with a holy kiss.

2 Corinthians 13:11

Finally, brothers and sisters, rejoice! Strive for full restoration, encourage **one another**, be of **one** mind, live in peace. And the God of love and peace will be with you.

2 Corinthians 13:12

Greet **one another** with a holy kiss.

Galatians 5:13

You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve **one another** humbly in love.

Ephesians 4:2

Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with **one another** in love.

Ephesians 4:32

Be kind and compassionate to **one another**, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

Ephesians 5:19

speaking to **one another** with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord,

Ephesians 5:21

Submit to **one another** out of reverence for Christ.

Philippians 2:5

In your relationships with **one another**, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:

Colossians 3:13

Bear with each other and forgive **one another** if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.

Colossians 3:16

Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish **one another** with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts.

1 Thessalonians 4:9

Now about your love for **one another** we do not need to write to you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love each other.

1 Thessalonians 4:18

Therefore encourage **one another** with these words.

1 Thessalonians 5:11

Therefore encourage **one another** and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.

2 Thessalonians 1:3

We ought always to thank God for you, brothers and sisters, and rightly so, because your faith is growing more and more, and the love all of you have for **one another** is increasing.

Hebrews 3:13

But encourage **one another** daily, as long as it is called "Today," so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness.

Hebrews 10:24

And let us consider how we may spur **one another** on toward love and good deeds,

Hebrews 10:25

not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging **one another**—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Hebrews 13:1

Keep on loving **one another** as brothers and sisters.

James 4:11

Brothers and sisters, do not slander **one another**. Anyone who speaks against a brother or sister or judges them speaks against the law and judges it. When you judge the law, you are not keeping it, but sitting in judgment on it.

James 5:9

Don't grumble against **one another**, brothers and sisters, or you will be judged. The Judge is standing at the door!

1 Peter 1:22

Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for each other, love **one another** deeply, from the heart.

1 Peter 3:8

Finally, all of you, be like-minded, be sympathetic, love **one another**, be compassionate and humble.

1 Peter 4:9

Offer hospitality to **one another** without grumbling.

1 Peter 5:5

In the same way, you who are younger, submit yourselves to your elders. All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward **one another**, because, "God opposes the proud but shows favour to the humble."

1 Peter 5:14

Greet **one another** with a kiss of love. Peace to all of you who are in Christ.

1 John 1:7

But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with **one another**, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.

1 John 3:11

For this is the message you heard from the beginning: We should love **one another**.

1 John 3:23

And this is his command: to believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and to love **one another** as he commanded us.

1 John 4:7

[*God's Love and Ours*] Dear friends, let us love **one another**, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God.

1 John 4:11

Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love **one another**.

1 John 4:12

No **one** has ever seen God; but if we love **one another**, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.

DNA Group or Triplet.

Why not get together with two other people for regular prayer and encouragement? Just 20-40 minutes of prayer and discussion, say over breakfast, lunch, a walk after work, or Saturday afternoon. This can help apply the things we've talked about. Set up your DNA Group or triplet and let Blake know its happening, or he can help you get one started. blake@bondichurch.org

Close in Prayer.

Ask God to help you connect with other Christians, to apply what we have learnt. Well done. There are a number of other Equipping workshops you can work through together, and some Teaching Papers too read and think about in your DNA group or triplet.