

# STRENGTHEN AND GROW YOUR MINISTRY

## LCEF MINISTRY MOMENTS VIDEO SERIES

### Planning for the Fall #5 – Volunteer Consecration and Celebration Week

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Congregations are run, in large part, by volunteers called by God to serve the church in various ways.

#### How to celebrate volunteers and get more people engaged?

**1. Choose a Sunday and week**

- Select a time when folks are back from summer but are not too far into fall activities.
- Consider activities beyond Sunday like appreciation dinners and personal visits.

**2. Build out a volunteer guide**

- Name the opportunity.
- Provide a brief job description.
- Share the time commitment, including length of service.
- Include a section for sign-up contact info.
- Update the guide twice a year.
- Include an exhaustive list of volunteer opportunities.

**3. Plan a consecration and celebration event**

- Write a service that speaks to your people and blesses them and their work.
- Can take place on Sunday during or after worship or be a special event during the week.

**4. Publish opportunities**

- Make all volunteer opportunities known throughout the year.

**5. Don't forget children and youth**

- Target the young people who are currently volunteering.
- Have children shadow an adult volunteer.
- Include a youth representative on the church council.
- Schedule youth to read lessons in the service.