

## The Five Fold Ministry

### The Ephesians Mandate

**“And he gave some apostles; and some prophets: and some evangelists: and some pastors and teachers; For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ: That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ: From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love. (Ephesians 4:11-16)**

### Five Fold Ministry Goals

**The five fold leadership team constantly stresses to the congregation that they are the body of Jesus, and that each of them has an important gift to offer for the effective functioning of the whole; thus, team spirit is birthed and corporate spirit is developed. The church is a living functioning organism, each part serving one another. Each member is committed to everyone else’s success. Each one has the desire to help others succeed. Their greatest joy comes when they can help make another one successful, for it is as we give our lives away to others that we find life. “Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity! It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, even Aaron’s beard: that went down to the skirts of his garments; As the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that descended upon the mountains of Zion: for there the Lord commanded the blessing, even life for evermore. (Psalms 133)**

## **Five Fold Team Members**

**\*Apostle, an architect gifted with organizational skills, who establishes the foundation of the church and has a heart for the entire body.**

**\*Prophet, gifted with inspirational creativity, one who communicates divine inspiration .**

**\*Evangelist, one who is a soul winner who proclaims the Good News with a heart for the harvest.**

**\*Pastor, one who shepherds and loves the sheep.**

**\*Teacher, one who has a heart for the Truth and disciples the sheep.**

**The ministry team will be constantly alert to helping people discover their heart motivations and begin operating in their giftings. They will nurture them and see that they have various opportunities to function in their areas of giftedness and to grow in ministry.**

## **A Supernatural Church**

**Unity of Spirit must be a key focus of all relationships within the Church.**

**Building the individual spirit, the corporate spirit and the anointing of the Holy Spirit become key focuses of all that is done in each and every relationship, service and program.**

**Cultivating communications skills will be continually enhanced and refined, and continuous opportunity given to effective communication. Without it, there is no fulfilling of the vision. A clearly imagined or envisioned goal must be crystallized. The more people who are brought in to offer a piece, the more it is owned by all. The ministry team will fashion the vision by working in conjunction with the members of the**

church.

**Five Fold Ministry**  
**Operates Today**

**Do we still have apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers today? Yes.**

**How long does the Bible say these five ministries are to operate?  
“Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ: (Ephesians 4:13)**

**Has that happened yet? Are we all in unity of faith and knowledge of the Son of God? No; thus, the five ministries are still operating, and will be for some time to come.**

**When all five motivations of the heart are on the leadership team, the church will grow with a growth that is from God.**