

EMM Network Pathway

MENTOR



ENCOURAGER



MENTEE

Holistic Small Group Pathway



SPIRITUAL (READINESS STAGE) | WHAT?

- **Love God & People** by choosing a person to encourage or coach weekly.
- Prayer for your *oikos* and choose a person to coach/be coached, or mentor/be mentored by.
- Plan and schedule 10-15 minutes weekly to pray and send a text of encouragement to a person.
- Plan and schedule one hour bi-weekly to pray, coach or mentor a person or to be mentored by a leader.

SHARE (MISSIONARY STAGE) | WHY?

- **Jesus' Method:** *"Mingled ... desired their good."*
- Meet and set up goals of what to achieve for coaching or mentoring the person or to be coached/mentored.
- Discuss with a person to create specific day and time and a planned curriculum of mentoring.
- Meet, listen and eat together during the set time, if you are in the mentorship relationship, if you both agree.

SERVICE (MINISTER STAGE) | HOW?

- **Jesus' Method:** *"Showed sympathy...Ministered to their needs."*
- **"E"** stands for **"Encourager"** | You encourage someone once or twice a week through phone call, text, etc.
- **"M"** stands for **"Mentor"** | You choose a person to mentor for at least six months to a year.
- **"M"** stands for **"Mentee"** | You find a person to be your mentor for at least six months to a year or read books.

SERVANT (DISCIPLE-MAKER STAGE) | WHEN?

- **Jesus' Method:** *"Won their confidence", "Invited them" to "Follow" Christ.*
- **"E"** stands for **"Encourager"** | Member as a spiritual *Partner* for someone.
- **"M"** stands for **"Mentor"** | Member as a spiritual *Parent* for someone.
- **"M"** stands for **"Mentee"** | Member as a spiritual *Apprentice* to someone.



SPIRITUAL (READINESS STAGE) | WHAT?

- **Love God & People** by starting or joining a holistic small group with two commitments (*Group and Personal*).
- Pray for your *oikos* and choose people to be part of your holistic small group or group you desire to join.
- Plan and schedule a 90-minute meeting once a week to pray and grow together with a specific curriculum or skill.
- Create a special meeting format with the **S4 Structure** (*15 mn for Spiritual; 15 mn for Share; 15 mn for Service; 45mn for Servant*).

SHARE (MISSIONARY STAGE) | WHY?

- **Jesus' Method:** *"Mingled ... desired their good."*
- During the meeting, take turns to share whom, you listened, ate with, and talked to about Jesus last week.
- Take turns to share what you struggle with your spiritual life, marriage, and family and EMM Network.
- Take turns to share what you had done for others last week (*your oikos: family, friends, neighbors...*).

SERVICE (MINISTER STAGE) | HOW?

- **Jesus' Method:** *"Showed sympathy...Ministered to their needs."*
- Create one or two action plans of what you will do for yourself, your family, and your *oikos*, *spiritually and mentally*.
- Create one or two action plans of what you will do for yourself, your family, and your *oikos physically*.
- Create one or two action plans of what you will do for yourself, your family, and your *oikos socially and emotionally*.

SERVANT (DISCIPLE-MAKER STAGE) | WHEN?

- **Jesus' Method:** *"Won their confidence", "Invited them" to "Follow" Christ.*
- Read, learn, discuss the lesson of the day from your agreed curriculum.
- Share what you have done in your *oikos* from lessons you have learned in the previous week.
- Create one action plan that you will teach or do for your *oikos* in the coming week.

GOD'S AMBASSADOR (2 CORINTHIANS 5:20)

"Now then, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were pleading through us: we implore you on Christ's behalf, be reconciled to God."

Empowering Leadership | Every group member has responsibilities in an S4 area for 6-9 weeks, rotating after every cycle.

New Evangelism Culture

The S4 Strategy



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THE DEVELOPMENT OF GOD'S AMBASSADORS HOLISTIC SMALL GROUPS & THE EMM NETWORK

WHAT IS THE S4 STRATEGY?

The S4 Strategy comes from the four foundational blocks (*Spirituality, Mission, Ministry, Leadership*) that the delegates of the 35th Ontario Conference Constituency meeting, voted on June 4, 2023, as a mandate for the new administration to develop a Conference Strategic Plan for the 2023-2028.

This strategy is a life pathway with four identities of an ambassador of God. It's a way Jesus and his disciples constantly modelled. It's a missional lifestyle of how disciple-makers live and do, while waiting for the Second Coming of Jesus.

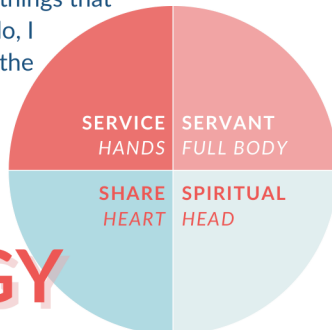
Disciple-Making Pathway

TWO GREAT COMMANDMENTS

"Jesus said to him, "You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbour as yourself." (Matthew 22:37-39)

TWO-FOLD GREAT COMMISSION

"And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen." (Matthew 28:19-20)



THE "S4" STRATEGY

CHRIST'S METHOD

"Christ's method alone will give true success in reaching the people. The Saviour mingled with people as one who desired their good. He showed sympathy for them, ministered to their needs, and won their confidence. Then He invited them, 'Follow Me.'" (MH 73.4)

SPIRITUAL (Master-Worshiper)

- Love God | **Life of Worship** (Matt. 22:37)

SERVICE (Minister)

- Love God & People | **Life of Service** (Matt. 28:19-20)

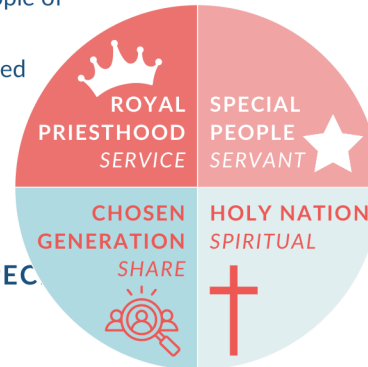
SHARE (Missionary)

- Love God & People | **Life of Love** (Matt. 22:39)

SERVANT (Disciple-Maker)

- Love God & People | **Life of Reconciliation** (2 Cor. 5:20)

"But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light; who once were not a people but are now the people of God, who had not obtained mercy but now have obtained mercy." (1 Peter 2:9)



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The Ontario Conference department of Church Planting, Revitalization, & Evangelism exists to help churches for personal, public, and digital evangelism. We believe that God calls all Adventists to be His Ambassadors who express the essence of God's love and forgiveness.

God's Ambassadors are those who live a life as missionaries, ministers, master worshipers, and disciple-makers. Therefore, our work is to share the best tools, the most up-to-date content, and appropriate support for all church members and leaders to succeed in their spiritual journey as God's Ambassadors.