








GROWING AN INTERGENERATIONAL CHURCH

What is Intergenerational Ministry?

“Intergenerational ministry occurs when a congregation intentionally brings the generations together in mutual serving, sharing or learning within the core activities of the church, in order to live out being the body of Christ to each other and the whole community.” - Allen and Ross.

Intergenerational Checklist

Using this table below, check how well the different ministries are doing at intentionally bringing the generations together. Think of a group, activity or ministry for each generation and rate them out of 5 (1 - not great, 5 - good) against the criteria on the left, and add up the totals below to see your results.

Criteria	 Children	 Teenagers	 Young Adults	 Adults	 Seniors
<i>Name of your ministry</i> e.g. Youth Group					
A place to belong					
A place where everyone is loved and accepted					
Opportunities to be a part of something bigger than themselves					
Opportunities for everyone to experience accountability and real relationships					
Opportunities to collide with other generations					
Opportunities to serve and contribute					
Opportunities to mentor and disciple others in their faith					
Opportunities to be discipled and grow and learn from others further along in their faith journey					
TOTAL					

Which ministry is the most intergenerational?

Which needs some improvement?

Allen, H. and Ross, C. (2012) *Intergenerational Christian Formation: Bringing the whole church together in ministry, community and worship*, IVP Academic.

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