

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY MINISTRY TIME LINE

	HOW	WHEN
PRAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prayerfully gather your leadership team. • Ask: "What is God calling us to in family ministry?" • Pray for God's leadership. • Study the biblical teaching about marriage and family. 	<p>12-16 months before launch of ministry</p>
PURPOSE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Formulate a mission/purpose statement for your family ministry. • Define the core values you hold for marriage and family ministry in your context. • Determine your objectives. 	<p>8-12 months before launch of ministry</p>
PLAN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluate current needs and available resources. • Conduct a congregational family needs survey. • Establish goals for your marriage and family ministry based on your mission and objectives. 	<p>4-7 months before launch of ministry</p>
PRACTICE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Select appropriate programs, projects, events, and activities. • Implement you plan with a focus on your first year goals. • Promote the selected programs and projects. 	<p>Launch Time and ongoing</p>
PROTECT & PRESERVE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluate the ministry for improvement. • Celebrate and encourage workers. • Remember your MISSION! 	<p>One month after launch of ministry, after major events, ongoing with leadership</p>