

FAMILY MINISTRIES

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FAMILY MINISTRIES COORDINATOR

The **primary goal** of Family Ministries is

HEALTHY FAMILY FUNCTIONING

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Presentation Outline:

- Mission and Vision Statements
 - How We Can Help
 - Family Ministries Coordinator Duties
 - NAD Resources
 - Additional Resources
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NAD FAMILY MINISTRIES

➤ **Mission Statement**

Our mission of evangelism is to provide resources, training, and networking opportunities for those working to strengthen or rebuild families within the territory of the North American Division.

➤ **Vision Statement**

Healthy families for eternity.



SO, HOW DO WE HELP FAMILIES FUNCTION?

- Nurture the spiritual, physical, intellectual, emotional, and social needs of individuals, couples, and families
 - Teach families the meaning of love
 - Assist families to develop stable relationships patterned after God's relationship with us
 - Hebrews 13:5 - *God's love is unconditional, enduring, and responsible*
 - Spiritually healthy families manifest humility, patience, hope, and loving acceptance
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Family

WHERE
LIFE BEGINS
AND

Love

NEVER ENDS

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Duties:

1. Needs Assessment
 2. Program Development
 3. Family Ministries Committee Chairperson
 4. Family Advocate
 5. Information Source
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1. NEEDS ASSESSMENT

- Work with your pastor to assess needs
 - Surveys
 - Include couples, single parents, singles, children, teens, young adults, mature adults
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2. PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

- Planning
 - Promotion
 - Recruitment and training of volunteers
 - Delivery of programs
 - Evaluation
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3. CHAIRS FM COMMITTEE

- Family ministry is about relationships
 - No "I" in team
 - Should be a support group as well as a working unit
 - Can schedule meetings as needed ie. once a quarter
 - Chairperson's responsibility to develop an agenda and moderate discussion
 - Facilitate time for personal sharing, prayer, and learning
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4. FAMILY ADVOCATE

- Sits on church board
 - Represents needs and concerns of family life
 - Responsibility to keep church members relational needs in view of the board
 - To assist board in making family life a real priority in ALL that the church does
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5. INFORMATION SOURCE

- Be a primary source of information about ministry
 - Construct a list of Christian counsellors you are confident to make referrals to
 - Guard against getting too involved or “playing psychologist” (unless you are one)
 - Develop strong listening skills in order to develop rapport and approachability with church members
 - Regularly share information from the conference with the whole congregation during personal ministries time or Sabbath School
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Implementing NAD Resources

- After assessing needs and choosing desired programming develop plan to implement
 - Available resources (see resource list)
 - What resources are you currently using that you find helpful?
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NAD RESOURCES

- NAD - Family Ministries Site - <http://www.nadfamily.org/>
- NAD - Family Ministries Site - Resources - <http://www.nadfamily.org/article/69/resources/fm-resources>
- NAD - Family Ministries AP - <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.su.nadfamily>
- NAD - Family Ministries Site - Daily Devotional - <http://www.nadfamily.org/devotional?date=2015-02-14>

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Additional Resources:

- **Belt of Truth Ministries - Media on the Brain -**
<http://www.beltoftruthministries.org/media-on-the-brain/>
- **Effects of Trauma on Attachment -**
<http://www.ccaa.net.au/documents/TheEffectsOfTraumaOnAttachment.pdf>
- **Nedley Health Solutions -** <http://nedleyhealthsolutions.com/>
- **Signs and Symptoms of Trauma -**
http://www.healingresources.info/trauma_attachment_stress_disorders.htm

- Questions/Comments?

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LoveTM
is forever