

# SERVANT LEADERS

## FIRST THINGS FIRST

Worship leaders are first and foremost **SERVANTS**. We are charged by God to put the words of praise and prayer on the lips of His people. This is not a small responsibility.

Our main objective is to facilitate the interaction of God and His people through musical worship.

As leaders serving our congregations, we must be listeners. We need to hear from God, Scripture, our leaders, and the congregation. Taking all of this input, we must seek to develop and mold the time we lead others.

Our goal is to strive for excellence as we serve. This excellence is not a reflection of our own abilities as a leader, but rather, of our passion for people to meet with God through what we do.

Excellence starts before we stand in front of a congregation. Being prepared helps us to avoid any distraction from worship. This is not just in presenting the songs but in the things we say, our song choice, memorization of lyrics, transitions between songs and choice of key for songs. Every decision should be prayerfully considered.

Evaluating our personal leadership helps us serve our congregations better. We need to create relationships where we can be mentored as well as opportunities to receive feedback from our congregation and leaders.

## 1 PETER 5 : 1-3 NIV

To the elders among you, I appeal as a fellow elder and a witness of Christ's sufferings who also will share in the glory to be revealed: Be shepherds of God's flock that is under your care, watching over them—not because you must, but because you are willing, as God wants you to be; not pursuing dishonest gain, but eager to serve; not lording it over those entrusted to you, but being examples to the flock.