Indie Ministries

Fostering the diverse gifts and passions of God's people.

Core Purpose

To foster the diverse gifts and passions of the members of our church.

Description

We value the Biblical principle that every follower of Jesus is a minister in one way or another (*Eph. 4:12*). To this end, we encourage everyone at Sacred Mission to be actively involved in ministry both inside and outside the formal ministries of SMC.

Intentionally, we practice ministry minimalism. As a result, our church members are equipped and encouraged to do ministry in highly creative and unique ways that are independent from our church's ownership, management, or administration. These ministries are not Sacred Mission ministries, they are ministries led, managed, and cultivated by the members of Sacred Mission Church.

Sacred Mission partners with its members to strategize, coach, resource, and create space for their independent ministries to thrive.

Qualifications

- Primary Leader must be a member in good standing at Sacred Mission Church
- Ministry must be gospel-centered and have gospel mission as an element of its model
- Ministry purpose cannot conflict with SMC's purpose to proclaim, produce, and plant
- Ministry purpose cannot function to replace the role of the biblical church

Process

- **Application** - A member(s) who has a desire to start a ministry must first apply to be an Indie Ministry.
- **Assessment** - After the application is submitted and reviewed, a team will assess the applicants and their "fit" into the Indie Ministries model and framework.
- **Coaching** - The Indie Ministry will receive 3 coaching sessions with a Sacred Mission Elder to assist them in finalizing their vision, strategy, goals, etc.

- **Recruit** - Work to build the team. The team should be leaders and other volunteers who want to help push the vision and mission forward.
- **Launch** - Set a date for launch and work to build momentum leading up to the date.

Commitments

Resourcing

- Apply for “seed” money to help get the ministry launched
- A place on the “Indie Ministries” page of the SMC website including logo, brief description, links, and contact information
- Priority use of the SMC building with “Facility Fees” waived
    - All “Service Fees” will still apply at Ministry/Non-profit rate
- Event promotion on the SMC weekly newsletter
- Events added to the “Events” section of the SMC app
    - All registrations, payments, or other administration details must be managed by the Indie Ministry
- A dedicated public or private messaging channel on the SMC app

Resources

Indie Ministry Application

- https://sacredmissioncincy.churchcenter.com/people/forms/403084

Event Application

- https://sacredmissioncincy.churchcenter.com/people/forms/403067

Facility Use Policies & Fees

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Sustainability

Annually each Indie Ministry will need to be re-assessed to determine if the ministry is still meeting the qualifications to remain partnered with.