

VISION FOR MINISTRY

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1. **Each church leader needs a God-given vision** for their area of ministry, *Pro 29:18*, in the local church. What can you see before you? What is your next step?
2. **What is your vision for your ministry responsibility?**
In: Worship Day School Young People and Children's Ministry
 Pastoral Care Cells Careforce, Recovery Programme
 Leadership Training Day Care Ethnic Groups
 Women's Ministry Bible School Caring – Poor and Needy
 Alpha Administration Evangelism, Teaching the Word.
 Prophecy Encouragement Visitation
3. **“Mission,”** a general purpose statement. [“Leaders on Leadership – G.Banna (1997) p54.] e.g. to build up an effective Young Peoples work.
“Vision,” a God given revelation or awareness of what God wants you to do, to aim for, and how He wants you to do it, to fulfil the mission. [Involves strategy, goals, stages, time frame.]
“Passion,” an inward desire to press forward to fulfil the vision. Zeal, *Jn 2:17*, which is motivation. Passion sustains the drive to fulfil the vision.

Identify your “Gifts.”

- a. apostolic, prophetic, teaching, pastoral, evangelistic, *Eph 4:11*.
- b. prophecy, teaching, leading, serving, giving, exhorting, mercy, *Rom 12:5-8*.
- c. word of wisdom, word of knowledge, faith, gifts of healings, working of miracles, prophecy, discerning of spirits, kinds of tongues, interpretations of tongues, *1Cor 12:7-11*.

What is your “style”? Are you:

- a. task orientated person – events, doing things, or
- b. people focused person – relationships.

4. **God gives vision to Young People, usually.**
Joseph, *Gen 37*, Jacob, *Gen 28*, Samuel, *1Sam 3*, **David**, *1Sam 16:12*, **Timothy**, *Ac 16:1f*, **Saul/Paul**, *Ac 7:58*, *Ac 9:3-6*, *Ac 26:16-19*, **Young Leaders**, *1K 20:13-15*, **James and John**, *Mat 4:21*, **Jeremiah**, *Jer 1:6*.
5. **How to obtain a vision.**
 - a. *Hab 2:1* Establish and maintain a close personal relationship with God.
 Revelation from God comes from relationship with God.
 Watch, listen, hear from God.
 - b. *Hab 2:2* Write it down, record, express it clearly.
 - c. *Hab 2:2* Work at it, get busy, see the vision expand. Pray, believe, listen, *Mat 13:16*.
 Prepare, plan, organise, inspire others, lead, direct, control, proclaim the vision. Train others to lead, equip, mentor, encourage.
 - d. *Hab 2:3* Keep on, don't give up. Never give up!
6. **You are not only working to satisfy the church leadership, but primarily to please and satisfy God, - No 1 motive, *Col 3:17, 22-24*.**