

It's Time to Take Action.

"There's an opportune time to do things..." Ecclesiastes 3:1 MSG

1. God always calls us to take what He gives us and multiply it.

"...I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit—fruit that will last. Then the Father will give you whatever you ask in my name." John 15:16 NIV

And God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply... Genesis 1:22 ESV

And you, be fruitful and multiply, increase greatly on the earth and multiply in it." Genesis 9:7 ESV

"Do what you can with what you have, where you are." -Rick Warren

2. Lay aside your excuses and have a bias towards action.

Don't be lazy and keep saying, "There's a lion outside!" Proverbs 26:13 CEV

"...faith that does nothing is dead!" James 2:26b NCV

The Church's greatest days are in front of Her!

I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. Matthew 16:18 ESV

For as many as are the promises of God, in Him they are yes; therefore also through Him is our Amen to the glory of God through us. 2 Corinthians 1:20 NAS

3. Pray. Stand in the gap.

"I searched for a man among them who would build up the wall and stand in the gap before Me for the land, so that I would not destroy it; but I found no one. Ezekiel 22:30 ESV

Fed up, God decided to get rid of them—and except for Moses, his chosen, he would have. But Moses stood in the gap and deflected God's anger, prevented it from destroying them utterly. Psalm 106:23 MSG

4. Overcome resistance with strategy.

Make the most of your chances to tell others the Good News. Be wise in all your contacts with them. Colossians 4:5 TLB

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly there came from heaven a noise like a violent rushing wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. Acts 2:1-2 NAS.

5. Bring someone next week to church with you for **At The Movies**.

"You will be my witnesses..." Acts 1:8 NCV

"Go out into the country...and urge anyone you find to come in, so that [My] House will be full." Luke 14:23 TLB

Take Action!

personal action step

church-wide action step

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