

REVIVAL GUESTS TEAM: EVANGELIST, MUSICIAN, AND SOLOIST

Suggestions on hosting revival guests in your church.

- 1. Develop a detailed description of the responsibilities that the Revival Guests Team (RGT) will have during the revival and communicate these responsibilities to the team verbally and in writing. For example: Will the evangelist speak at any other events for you during this revival time frame? Precise details give the RGT adequate time for preparation.
- 2. Determine the revival preparation will be a priority for you and your church for a minimum of six to eight weeks before the revival. If you are not willing to give it priority, perhaps you should reevaluate your reasons for conducting a revival event.
- **3.** Decide on lodging for the RGT. It is preferred that the RGT stay in a hotel for privacy, quality study time, and rest. Make sure the hotel provides clean, non-smoking rooms, with adequate beds. It would be desirable to have a refrigerator that your church stocks with some drinks and snacks. Ask the RGT their preferences on snacks, and are there any dietary restrictions.
- **4.** Plan meals conservatively. Inquire if the Revival Guest Team prefers eating before services or after. If possible, accommodate those needs.
- **5.** Make sure financial arrangements are clearly communicated and understood. What is the church's policy on the RGT selling tapes and books? If an honorarium is budgeted, inform your RGT of the amount when you first schedule them. If the RGT is to receive a love offering, make sure you give your people opportunity to give in every service starting with Sunday morning. If more than one guest is invited, agree before they arrive for the event details regarding the procedure for sharing the love offering.
- 6. Promote the love offering to the church body in a positive manner in the weeks prior to the event and during the event. In each service share some various aspects of the RGT ministry.
- **7.** Complete all financial transactions before the team leaves the church. It is basic Christian courtesy to give your evangelists his check in a timely manner.