3-5 Year Stewardship Horizon Overview

The 3-5 Year Stewardship Horizon encompasses plans for Stewardship up to five years in the future. It is a document that

- 1) Expresses the goals of the Stewardship program.
- 2) Incorporates year-round Stewardship principles.
- 3) Plans activities for each month and quarter of the coming 3-5 years.
- 4) Includes plans for promoting Special Project Giving/Capital Campaigns, Planned Giving, Mission-Related Giving, and Annual Budget Giving

Long-term planning is a key activity of a successful Stewardship program. First, having a plan for supporting the organization that moves beyond passing the hat or wait-and-see is good Stewardship in itself. Second, churches with long-range Stewardship plans are more adaptable and likely to grow.

Our **KnowledgeBase** includes links to a guideline for making long-range Stewardship plans as well as printable planning forms for working on 3-5 year plans. There is a one-page form for three years by quarter. There is another form with one page per year and columns for Activities, Priority Level, Materials Needed, Person(s) in Charge, and Dates/Duration.* There is also a link to our brochure: *Ideas for Year-Round Financial Stewardship*.

* Please note that the worksheets are designed to print on 11"x17" paper. They can be printed on 8½"x11" paper, but the writing spaces are small. If you are unable to print on larger paper and would like a full-size version of the worksheets, please contact us at wumf@wumf.org.

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