

Dove Outreach: A Church of the Living God.

A part of the body of Christ, Jesus himself being the head.

Offices and administration of the church:

I. There are preaching ministers or elders, and there are business ministers or elders.
(Acts 6:2-3; I Timothy 3:1-13; Matthew 20:25-28)

A. Preaching Ministers or Elders (Ephesians 4:11-16 & I Peter 5:1- 4)

1. Apostle
 - a. One who has been called of God to establish churches or head a ministry.
 - b. He is responsible for and has total authority over his ministry and the churches he establishes.
2. Prophets
 - a. God called men and women of the Most High, who are particularly used by the Holy Spirit to prophecy to the church or individuals about future events and/or direction.
 - b. These sometimes teach.
3. Evangelists
 - a. These are called of God to help a church or ministry evangelize.
 - b. Although he has a home church or base, he also goes to others to preach the Word.
4. Pastors
 - a. There is one head pastor per church with other pastors to assist as called of God.
 - b. These are responsible for their church to both lead and serve the flock for Jesus.
 - c. Second in authority over their church only to the Apostle.
5. Teachers
 - a. These are called men and women of God to teach the Word in truth, sometimes in great depth.
 1. When the men teach they are in submission only to the Pastor and the Apostle of the church. He may be interrupted at any time by either if preaching something contrary to the Word.
 2. When a woman preaches or teaches, she is in submission to all men of the church. Any man may interrupt if she preaches contrary to the Word. If the man is wrong, he is to be rebuked then by the Pastor.
 - a. Sunday School teachers, though most should be, are not necessarily called into the five-fold ministry. Those not called into the ministry would not be an elder of the church, but would certainly be elder of their class.
 1. If possible or necessary, there should be one teacher for ages 0-4; ages 5-8; ages 9-12; and ages 13-17.

2. There can be several teachers for ages 18 - up, as they separate into groups.

B. Business Ministers or Elders

1. Deacons

- a. They are to be appointed, as many as are needed, to serve over business or temporal aspects of a church or the ministry.
- b. Such things committed to their charge may be: financial aspects, building upkeep, busing ministry, food pantry, clothing pantry, etc.

II. There are offices not included as church elders, but have an important part in the administration of a church, spiritual and temporal, under appropriate church elders.

A. Spiritual needs

1. Psalmist (song leader): In charge of praise and worship.
2. Chief musician: In charge of music & works with Psalmist.

B. Temporal needs

1. Secretary: in charge of books, records, mail, newsletter printing, etc.
2. Treasurer: In charge of balancing all financial aspects of the ministry or church and OK's all checks written.

III. All office holders must be:

- A. Saved, Spirit filled, and scripturally sound in word and deed.
- B. Called to minister in their office.
- C. Attending Dove Outreach Church regularly.