

Elder Team Nomination Criteria

Individuals nominated for the Leadership Team should be 25 years old, be an immersed believer, have attended the church for at least three years, and demonstrates the marks of an elder to from 1 Timothy 3:1-7. Please note that in the scripture, the Elder role is identified as a male role. Below is the Biblical explanation and requirements of an Elder.

This is a trustworthy saying: “If someone aspires to be an elder, he desires an honorable position.” So an elder must be a man whose life is above reproach. He must be faithful to his wife. He must exercise self-control, live wisely, and have a good reputation. He must enjoy having guests in his home, and he must be able to teach. He must not be a heavy drinker or be violent. He must be gentle, not quarrelsome, and not love money. He must manage his own family well, having children who respect and obey him. For if a man cannot manage his own household, how can he take care of God’s church?

An elder must not be a new believer, because he might become proud, and the devil would cause him to fall. Also, people outside the church must speak well of him so that he will not be disgraced and fall into the devil’s trap. (1 Timothy 3:1-7, New Living Translation)

So what does this look like at the Village Christian Church?

Life Change:

- Attends church faithfully
- Desires to be a role model for others
- Shares faith with others
- Nurtures family in the faith

Life Growth:

- Participates in a Lifegroup
- Commits to studying God’s Word
- Seeks God in prayer
- Spends time with believers

Life Purpose:

- Volunteers to serve in ministries at the Village
- Participates in mission activities
- Seeks ways to serve others through leadership roles
- Supports the work of the church financially