Examine Motives

Take the First Step

- Look for opportunities for musical experiences within existing programs.
- Build on small successes.
- Build a coalition.
- Pray, trust, have faith.
- Be flexible.
- Be willing to lose battles in order to win wars.
- Be an encourager.
- See the big picture.
- Ask for help.
- Don’t obsess over control.
- Be patient.
- Remember it’s not about you.
- Stay in the background.
- Be an ally to others.
Moving to the Next Level

- As the program expands, systematically acquire SPACE in four areas:
  - In the church schedule for an ongoing choir time for the entire school year.
  - In the budget for curriculum, music, resource materials, and to fund leadership training development.
  - In the facility for rehearsals, choir activities, resource room, and storage.
  - In the leadership pool of the church membership.

Explore the Options

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- Budget:
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- Facilities:
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- Leadership:
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Essentials

- Develop relationships with children, parents, church leadership and staff.
- Become an ongoing learner in music education and children’s ministry.
- Be a thoughtful and persistent communicator.

Become a Music Advocate

- Learn facts about the role and value of children’s choir in a child’s music and faith development.
- Be alert to share music advocacy information at “teachable moments.”