Discovering Your Unique Place of Service

As we grow as disciples of Jesus we discover that the Lord has called us to a life of service in his world. Even more, as we follow Jesus we discover that he has given us unique gifts and abilities that help direct us as we seek to serve him. There is no formula to follow that guarantees clarity about our particular place of service, but the following questions can help guide your exploration of how God has made and gifted you.

- 1. When you sense you are doing something that just feels like you were made to do it, what are you doing?
- 2. What have people said you are really good at?
- 3. Where do you find your greatest joy?
- 4. If money were not an issue what would you like to be doing?
- 5. What are your spiritual gifts? For a good overview see this article by John Piper: (http://www.desiringgod.org/sermons/spiritual-gifts). Take the following online inventory to explore what your gifts might be (http://www.churchgrowth.org/cgi-cg/gifts.cgi?intro=1). Note: if the links do not work directly from this pdf, then copy and paste them into your browser.
- 6. What motivates you?
- 7. Do you prefer to work mostly with people or by yourself?
- 8. Have you asked someone or a group of people to help you discern your place of service in God's world? If not this is the best way to discover your gifts.