



## Mini Workshop

### Be a Participant with Partners “Connecting prayer and action” May 2007

Prayer is an integral part of the special “calling” of deacon. As we give leadership in our churches through this calling, may God take and bless our prayer-filled ministry to be His gifts to the church and community in which He places us.

*Let the following exercise be the catalyst for your diaconate to recommit your diaconal ministry to prayer!*

Scripture: I Peter 3: 8-12

1. **Consider** and share a time when your diaconate did too much praying and too little activity. Tell about a time of ministry when your diaconate did too much and prayed too little. Name and celebrate an occasion when diaconal ministry was 100% doing and 100% praying. (10 min)
2. Turn to the Partners issue titled “Connecting prayer and action”. Divide into groups (if needed) so that all may **participate**. **Discuss** an occasion when your intercession for someone profoundly affected your relationship to him/her or when your attitude about some situation was really changed through prayer. (10 min)
3. **Resolve** to take steps as a diaconate to invite a Diaconal Ministry Developer to one of your deacons’ meetings in order to strengthen a ministry area. Identify occasions to get to know your community through prayer. Name ways to strengthen congregation involvement in this venture. (10 min)

#### *Continue to develop your passion and skills in diaconal ministry:*

- A.** Visit the website [www.diaconalministries.com](http://www.diaconalministries.com) for many diaconal resources.
- B.** Contact the Diaconal Ministry Developer in your classis to serve and support your church’s diaconal ministry. Enjoy various workshops to become equipped in ministry.
- C.** Attend the Day of Encouragement in your area. Take advantage of equipped and experienced workshop leaders!

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