FINDING MENTORS IN YOUR LOCAL CHURCH

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IDENTIFY

Begin by looking for older adults in your church who demonstrate spiritual maturity, emotional stability, and a love for young people.

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INSPIRE

Many older adults don't see themselves as mentors, thinking they don't have something to offer. Remind them that they the key thing is that they *do* have something to offer. Cast a compelling vision for why mentoring matters and how they can make a significant impact.

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MAKE IT CLEAR

Often, people hesitate to commit because they fear the unknown or think it will take too much time. Simplify the process by providing clarity on what mentoring involves.

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BUILD RELATIONSHIPS

Mentoring works best when there is trust and a personal connection. Instead of making a general "call for mentors," build personal relationships with older members of the church first.

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CELEBRATE

Highlight the impact of mentoring on both young people and mentors. People are more likely to step up when they see the fruit of others' efforts.

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