How Bi-vocational Pastors Can Reclaim 15+ Hours a Week, Build a Team, and Grow Without Burning Out

BLUEPRINT

If you're reading this, it means you're likely a pastor carrying more than your share—preaching, working a second job, raising a family, and still trying to build a church that thrives. I've been there.

This simple blueprint includes the exact mindset shifts, systems, and structure that helped me grow from 20 to over 1,000 members—and help other pastors do the same, without losing themselves in the process.

Let's dive in.

1. ✓ Step 1: Reclaim Your Time (15+ Hours a Week)

What's stealing your time?

Most pastors are doing everything: prepping sermons, texting members, setting up chairs, managing volunteers, and trying to lead—all without systems.

Here's what to install first:

- TSermon System: Block 1 day a week for message prep. Use a 4-week preaching calendar so you're never scrambling.
- Admin Automation: Use scheduling tools (Calendly), giving platforms (Tithe.ly/Planning Center), and pre-written volunteer onboarding emails.
- **Delegate 1 thing this week**—even if it's just Sunday announcements or service slides.
- \mathbb{Z} When I did this, I gained back 15+ hours I used to waste on admin and last-minute chaos.
 - 2. Step 2: Build a Servant Leadership Team

You can't grow if you're the only leader. Period.

How to start:

- Identify your top 3 most consistent people—not perfect, just faithful.
- Invite them into a simple, clear leadership structure:
 - ✓ One monthly meeting
 - o X Defined responsibilities (service lead, follow-up, setup, etc.)

- Churches don't rise with a pastor's charisma—they rise with shared leadership and ownership. I learned this the hard way.
 - 3. Step 3: Shift from Survival to Strategy

The question isn't just "What do I need to do?" It's:

"What does God want me to release?"

Start asking:

- What's *mine* to do—and what needs to be delegated or automated?
- Where is the church stuck because I'm stuck?
- What's the bigger vision I've been too tired to claim?

When you step into strategic leadership, people rise to meet the vision.

Ready to Go Deeper?

If this blueprint resonated, I'd love to help you apply it *personally*.

I offer a private 8-week coaching experience to help pastors:

- Reclaim their time
- Build a leadership team
- Grow their church—without burning out
- And.... So much more

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