



Single Parent Ministry Quick Start Guide for Churches

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Dear Church Leader,

Did you know...

- 40% of babies born this year in the U.S. will be born to a single mom
- Estimates show 95% of single parent families are outside the Church
- Less than 1% of churches offer single parent ministry programming

Our objective at SPM is to serve as a bridge that brings single moms and single dads who are doing life alone into the local church. We believe a single parent family's best chance to thrive and have generational transformation hinges on knowing Jesus and being part of a redemptive church family. That said, we hope this Quick Start Guide provides concise and user-friendly tips and tools to help any church take immediate steps to better welcome and integrate single parent families into your church. It should also provide you with helpful groundwork to launch and grow a meaningful single parent ministry program.

We assume if you're reading this guide, we don't need to spend a long time convincing you of the importance of ministering to single parent families. Therefore, most of our content will address these execution steps: Getting Ready, Getting Started, Special Considerations and Troubleshooting.

Our primary focus is **helping churches understand and address the unique needs of single parent families so you can most effectively reach them, draw them into biblical community, and disciple them.**

God promises to bless those who take up the cause of widows and the fatherless. May your church experience all these blessings as you embark on this journey!

In His Service,

The Single Parent Ministries Team

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