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Dear Church Leader,

You don't want to miss TODAY's free preview of our new Implementation Lab at 1pm Eastern. See below. —Dr. Warren Bird

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## What Will Your Church Look Like in 30 Days?

*by Todd Rhoades*

What if your church could make significant progress in the next thirty days in a key ministry area? Every leader wants to see results. And Leadership Network's new Implementation Lab will help you go from ideas to implementation to impact in the next month!

Not only will you sharpen your skills as a leader, but you'll make great progress on your ministry plan and goals each month. Plus, you'll learn from our experienced and knowledgeable Implementation Lab faculty around a specific ministry theme each month. The goal is simple: we want to see you move your marker — to see significant progress in your ministry plan and goal in the next month...



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### Leading Effectively When You Inherit a Mess and Other Articles Church Leaders Should Read

by Dave Travis

Here's a collection of interesting, thought-provoking articles from around the web from recent weeks. For more links, check



### You Know You're a Leader If You Care About Your Budget

by Warren Bird

Leaders constantly monitor their budget trends, so Leadership Network has prepared two infographics, each drawn from original research and each designed to provide helpful benchmarks from the latest in large-church research.

out our *Flipboard* magazines: [Leadership Network Today](#), [Leadership Network Deep Trends](#), and [Ideas to Implementation to Impact](#), where we curate the best in innovative ideas for church leaders.

1) [Leading Effectively When You Inherit a Mess](#) (Hbr.org) A 10-year longitudinal study on executive transitions that my organization conducted found that more than 50% of executives who inherit a mess fail within their first 18 months on the job.

2) [Evaluate the Connection Potential of Your First Step out of the Auditorium](#) (Markhowelllive.com) Most churches have already adopted, adapted or developed a “first step out of the auditorium” that is regularly promoted and held on a regular basis...



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1. “12 Top Salary Trends Every Church Leader Should Know” comes from a 2016 study of 1,251 large churches that shared salaries, budgets and staffing circumstances. This 14-page graphic-rich report offers select metrics on pay raises, bonuses, total staffing costs, top salary predictors, outsourcing patterns, and more...

2. “How Can These 13 Vital Benchmarks Increase Generosity In Your Church?” is a look at 13 benchmarks to assess giving potential. We sat down with the number crunchers at MortarStone, which has analyzed more than \$1.5 billion in personal church giving, and asked them to calculate various benchmarks from new givers to big givers. This report can help you learn...



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