

CHURCH SECURITY

10 Ways
*To Create
A Safer
Church*

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Every time a group of people gather, there are church safety concerns, including: medical issues, psychological problems, accidents, child safety concerns, and relational conflict. It's important that churches have measures in place to handle security issues.

10 Ways to Create a Safer Church

1. **Assign Roles** - In an emergency, determine who will call 911, who will talk to authorities, and who will talk to the media. Assign backups for each role.
2. **Identify Trained Professionals Within the Membership** - Look for trained medical professionals, current or former law enforcement officers, and members with military or security backgrounds.
3. **Invest in Two-Way Radios** - Two-way radios eliminate spotty cell service. They also save one from having to scramble to locate a list of internal phone numbers. Ushers, daycare workers, and office staff equipped with two-way radios can relay information quickly throughout your building or campus.

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10 Essential Steps For Church Security and Safety

1. **Conduct a Risk Assessment & Evaluation of Your Ministry**
2. **Utilize Monitoring Equipment & Alarm Systems**
3. **Secure & Label Your Electronics and Media Equipment**
4. **Organize & Operate a Church Security Ministry**

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Church Security and Safety: The Definitive Guide and 15 Best Practices

1. **No matter what, you need to have something in place**
Whenever a group of people gather, there is the potential for an incident to occur **more...**
2. **Get buy-in from the right people**

3. Ask for professional help

4. It's not the job of your church security team to function as the police

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Building Your Church Safety Committee

1. The Safety Officer
2. The Safety Team
3. Committee Responsibilities
4. Getting Started

Resources

Books:

Defending the Flock: A Security Guide for Church Safety Directors - Kris P. Moloney

Active Shooter Mitigation: A Training Guide for Houses of Worship - Kris P. Moloney

Blogs:

The Long and Short of It... Arming Your Church Security Team - FaithShield

On the Front Line Against Evil: Armed Church Security - Mark Miller

Podcast

Church Security with Ron Aguiar - Lifeway Leadership

"I really believe churches need to be aware and begin protecting themselves a little bit better." – Ron Aguiar