

# Hospitality Ideas

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## HOSPITALITY TOWARDS Church Leaders

Think about those in your church who provide leadership -

- ✦ *Choir Director*
- ✦ *Sunday School Teachers for Adult Classes*
  - ✦ *Sunday School Teachers for Children's/Youth Classes*
  - ✦ *Deacons*
  - ✦ *Board of Christian Education*
  - ✦ *Mission Board*
  - ✦ *Choir Members*
  - ✦ *Lay Worship Leaders*
  - ✦ *American Baptist Women's Ministries' Leaders*
  - ✦ *Men's Group Leaders*
- ✦ *Youth Leaders*
- ✦ *Pastors*
- ✦ *Nursery Workers*



No doubt, you can add many more to this list. Now here's a thought ... why not show them hospitality in one of the following ways?



- ◇ *Invite one of these groups of people into your home for dinner, dessert or just an informal time with snacks.* If your church is small, you may be able to do all groups at one time.

- ◇ *Host an evening of appreciation for all your church workers in your church social hall.* Try to enlist people that do not serve in any leadership capacity to serve as hosts.

- ◇ *Initiate a note-writing shower to all Sunday school teachers to show appreciation.*



- ◇ *Have a Sunday Service of appreciation to honor your church leaders, followed by a reception.*

- ◇ *Create an "appreciation" bulletin board in a highly visible place in the church.* Provide cards in a pocket on the board, push pins and attach a pen to the board. Invite people of the church to offer a note of thanks for the group being honored and tack it to the board.



Hospitality comes in many forms and for many reasons. Don't overlook the obvious reasons that can be easily done right in your own home or church.

*And now, friends, we ask you to honor those leaders who work so hard for you, who have been given the responsibility of urging and guiding you along in your obedience.*

*Overwhelm them with appreciation and love!*  
*1 Thessalonians 5:12-13 (The Message)*