

## T.E.A.M. Leaders

The apostle Paul says in 1 Timothy 3:1, "If anyone sets his heart on being an overseer, he/she desires a noble task." But with leadership comes great responsibility. As Paul outlined his expectations for leaders in his letter to Timothy, LMM also has a set of qualities that we look for in our leaders. They are designated by the acronym T.E.A.M. It means:

**T** (teachable) – a person who is "teachable" can receive constructive criticism from others and use it to learn without getting defensive. This takes a level of emotional maturity that not everyone has, but is very important in leadership.

(excited about following Jesus) – a person who is "excited about following Jesus" displays a consistency in weekly worship and either tithes or is working towards a tithe. He/she also is committed

to growing in relationship with Christ through prayer, Bible study, fellowship, service, and sharing his/her faith with others.

(available) – a person who is "available" has time to invest in the ministry to which he/she senses

a calling. He/she is not stretched thin in over-commitment, but is easy to contact and have conversation with, both by telephone/email and in person. Good communication is an absolute must for ministry success. Availability also involves a person being honest with whoever they are accountable to about what they're doing, how they're feeling, and so on.

**M** (mission-minded) – a person who is "mission-minded" is committed to the mission of LMM. He understands where God is leading us and is excited about that direction.