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The Bible teaches us that the church is _____⁶ when all the people are engaged in building God’s church!

The church is actually the church when the _____⁷ ministers to the _____⁸.

Becoming Like Philip:

God designed His church to be a place where people were _____⁹ to minister and then sent out to minister.

God’s church uses buildings, but more as medical schools than _____¹⁰.

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The biggest _____¹⁷ a person has for development is to find out where they are gifted to serve. Fall Small Groups will help you do that!

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