

BEST OF ICSC; notes from Coni Perez

“Best Practices of Making an Impactful Stewardship of Treasure Ask from the Pulpit / Mejores Prácticas para Hacer una Corresponsabilidad de Tesoro Impactante. Petición desde el Púlpito”

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Practices for making impactful stewardship of treasure, ask from the Pulpit.

Hopefully, you have stewardship practices in place, Hospitality, Worship, Education, and Service to be able to emphasize these points as you go along.

Share with people stories they can relate to, like, family practices, their history, etc. Example given:

La Tamalera, an annual holiday tradition of families getting together to make tamales. It is an event held once/twice a year and each family member is expected to participate. First, there is the planning, everyone may chip in money for the ingredients. On the day of, everyone meets at a family member's house and every person has a special gift for the makings. Some make the masa, some cook the meat knowing the combination to put in the sauce, etc, some put the meat in the tamales, some wrap, someone else will prepare them carefully in the big pots and others watch the cooking process and know exactly when they are cooked.

A wonderful annual experience and when it is ready, after prayer, all eat and there is always enough for all to take home.

Everything is planned, everyone is asked to participate and all work together to make it happen.

Teaching Hispanics about stewardship can work the same way, break it down to how it is nothing new but a way of life experience that starts in the home.

“communications with Hispanics – for the majority their cell phone is the only way to communicate with them, send texts, prayers, messages, and even ask for donations they use their phone to send money to their families. BOTTOM LINE: “YOU HAVE TO ASK, IF YOU DON'T ASK YOU DON'T GET’