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Steps

Men – Congratulations on experiencing Peak Challenge 2013!

As you journey home, we want to challenge you and encourage you with some “next steps”.

Many of you are already plugged into Band of Brothers in the Omaha, Kansas City, Des Moines or Houston areas. If that is you, we challenge you to take your spiritual adventure to the next level and consider pursuing some of the ideas shown on page 4.

There are some men that are new to all of this or may be in churches that do not have a ministry for men. We hope that you were able to see the power of God at work among men this weekend and have a desire to share that with men in your church. If so, we want to help you to take that next step and consider pursuing some of the ideas shown on page 3.

For those of you that are not connected to Band of Brothers, we are attaching some foundational documents that show who we are, how we are structured and why we do what we do.



Starting Up – Creating a Band of Brothers in your locale

•**Pray** – prayer is your first step. Pray for God to guide you in finding other like minded men. Pray for other men to help you lead, mentor and empower men.

•**Gather** – gather those two, three or four men that have the passion for ministry to men. Begin to do life together and gather together each week to train each other and plan the ministry. Be patient – it takes time to develop a “band of brothers”.

•**Resource** – begin to think of how you want to connect men. Keep the ministry framework simple. Make it less about programs and events and more about relationships. See our materials about a ministry framework. Look at DVD series that you can do. Plan a “momentum” event to get men together.

•**Invite** – for men, it is so much more effective, personal and meaningful if you target guys that you want to connect to the ministry. Numbers are not important – the powerful message of a personal invitation to step into an adventure is.

•**Authenticity** – do not merely mimic other ministries – be yourself. Find out the DNA of men that you are connecting with and pursue it – remember, this is all about discipling Godly generations of men – moving a fellowship of men into a force.

For more information and help – contact us



Next Steps for men already engaged in Band of Brothers

- Pursue what you learned here
- Focus **on mission and relationship**
- Build leadership teams with clear roles and passion
- Equip and release men – don't just do it for them
- Touch the heart of men – not just their mind
- Create entry points for new men to get into large and small group gatherings
- Build a purposeful masculine context into everything
- Visibly support the pastor and seek visible support from him
- Focus on intentional training and mentoring of men of all ages
- Personally invite a few other men into the adventure
- Exhibit spiritual bravery and lead a small band of brothers yourself – you have what it takes
- Do whatever it takes to move your men from a fellowship into a **missional force**
- Be in the Word daily and have a strong prayer life
- Live life with your brothers and families
- Find ways to serve others via your band of brothers
- Be creative – be aggressive – be persistent- be authentic**

