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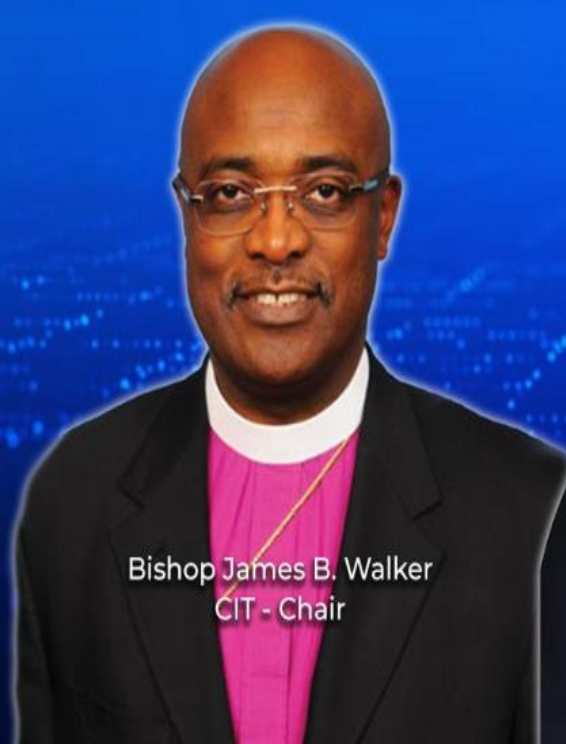


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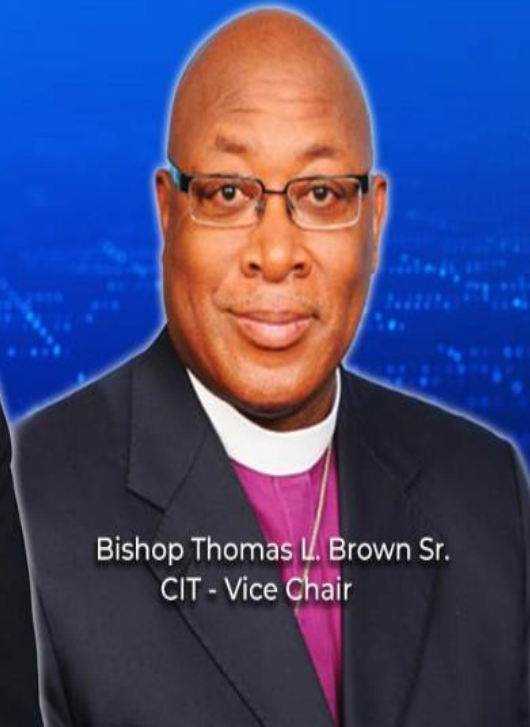
Digital Tools to Level Up Your Church Ministries



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Presentation

- Overview of CIT Department and Resources
- Digital Tools to Level Up Your Local Church's Ministries
 - Online Presence: website, social media, church app
 - Church Management Software
 - Online Giving
 - Text Messaging and Ministry Resources using Gloop
 - QR Codes
 - Digital Bulletins
 - AI Tools
 - Q&A



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Provide Mission - Critical Communication and Information Technology Services

The CIT General Department's goal is to provide mission-critical communication and information technology for all functional purposes, and drive operational efficiency at all levels through:



**Infrastructure
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**Educational
Training**



**Technology
Support**

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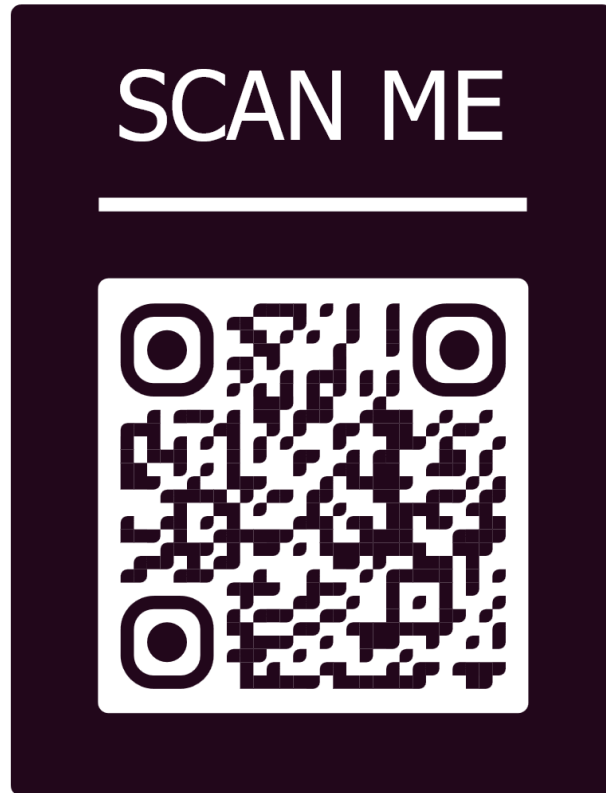
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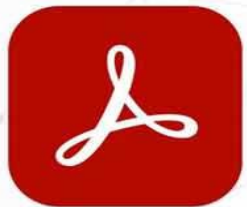
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Virtual Training Opportunities & CIT Tech Talks



CYBERSECURITY TRAINING

**"Think Before You Prompt:
Keeping Your Information Secure in GenAI Tools."**

This session will teach you how to use AI safely by following Zero Trust principles and avoiding the risks of sharing sensitive information. You will learn how to fact-check AI-generated responses and how to protect your privacy while utilizing the benefits of GenAI tools

Saturday, April 12, 2025

3:00-3:45 PM EST
2:00-2:45 PM CST
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11:00-11:45 AM Alaska Time

Rev. Tanesha Hollingshed
Instructor

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CIT TECH TALK

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& Digital Technology Ministry Resources
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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2024

6 PM ET | 5 PM CT | 4 PM MT | 3 PM PT | 2 PM ALASKA

• LIVE Zoom Meeting ID: 964 0227 3651 Passcode: 187024
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/thecmechurch>

Special Guests

Ms. Kristy Shotwell
Dr. Elliott Johnson
[Gloo.us](https://gloo.us)

Host & Facilitator
Dr. Theresa Duhart
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EMPOWERING CHURCHES USING DIGITAL RESOURCES

A Series of Presentations on Digital Tools to Enhance Local Church Ministries

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ChurchTrac - Church Management Software

Tuesday, May 13 - 7 PM ET | 6 PM CT | 4 PM PT

Discover how ChurchTrac can help streamline your church's administrative operations. Sponsored by ChurchTrac.

Gloo Faith Assistant

Sunday, May 16 - 6 PM ET | 5 PM CT | 3 PM PT

Learn about the free AI tool being built for CME churches using Gloo+. The Faith Assistant can transform your church's online content into real-time engagement and is accessible 24/7. Sponsored by Gloo.

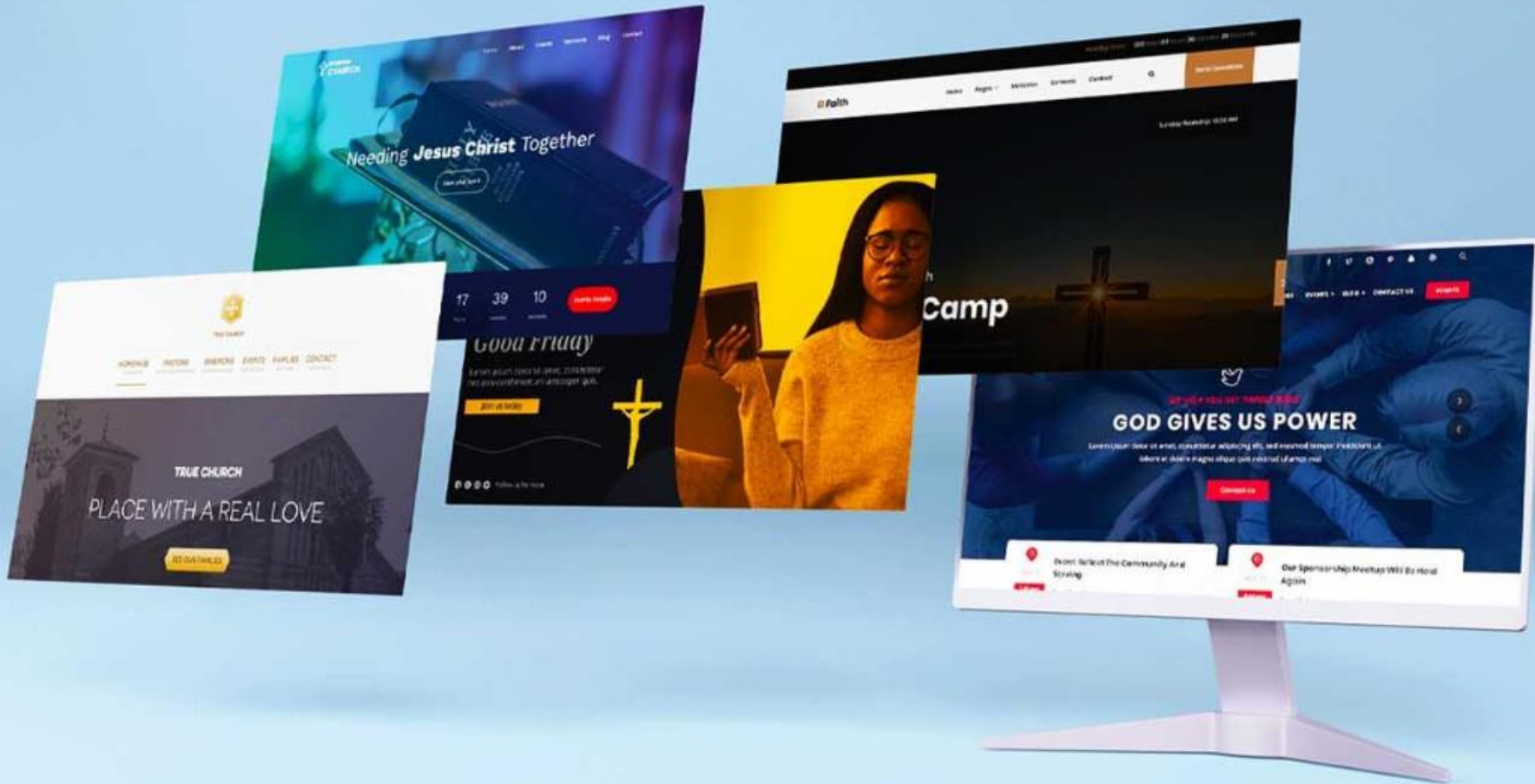
Digital Tools to Level Up Your Church Ministries

Tuesday, May 27- 7 PM ET | 6 PM CT | 4 PM PT

Learn to enhance church ministries with QR codes, digital tools, and AI.
Presenter: Dr. Theresa Duhart
General Secretary | Chief Information Officer

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DOES YOUR CHURCH NEED A WEBSITE?



WEB SERVICES

Visit cmechurches,.org
Email cit@thecmechurch.org

Service offerings are subject to change as business services and development protocols are finalized.

LANDING PAGE SITE

Service Includes:

- ✓ cmechurches.org domain name
- ✓ Website hosting services
- ✓ 1 landing page website with 5 sections
- ✓ 1 hour of 1 on 1 or Group Training
 - Website Updates
 - Web Form Management
 - Page Updates
 - Plugin Updates
 - Settings & Template Adjustments

\$50.00

One-Time Fee

5 PAGE WEBSITE

Service Includes:

- ✓ cmechurches.org domain name
- ✓ Website hosting services
- ✓ Web pages include: *Home, About Us, Church Calendar, Ministries, Contact Us*
- ✓ Features and plugins included on website
 - Web Forms | • Events Calendar
 - Image Gallery | • Site Security
 - SEO Optimization
- ✓ 1 hour of 1 on 1 or Group Training
 - Website Updates
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\$200.00

One-Time Fee

WEBSITE REBUILD

Service Includes:

- ✓ If you have an existing website and need the CIT Team to redesign it for you, we can assist you with that.
- ✓ This service includes an assessment of your current website and migrating the domain and hosting to the CIT designated platforms.
- ✓ Your current site will reformatted to one of the pre-designed templates of your choice and converted to a 5 page website with the following pages: Home, About Us, Church Calendar, Ministries, Contact Us
- ✓ Features and plugins included on website
 - Web Forms | • Events Calendar
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\$200.00

One-Time Fee

ADDITIONAL PAGES

- ✓ If you need to add additional pages to your site that are not included in the standard template 5 pages.

\$25.00 ea

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

- ✓ If you need additional training for your designated local church staff or if you need an additional training session.

\$30.00

Per Session

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LEVELING UP
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Leveling Up the Local Church's Digital Landscape

Church Management System: a cloud-based platform that helps church leaders manage various aspects of their ministry, including membership, communication, events, finances, and more, all in one place.

- Examples: ChurchTrac, Realm, ServantKeeper



churchtrac



Leveling Up the Local Church's Digital Landscape

Website

- Ensure the church website is modern, mobile-friendly, and easy to navigate.
- Include essential information such as service times, events, and contact details.
- Consider adding features like online donations and sermon archives.



Leveling Up the Local Church's Digital Landscape

Social Media Presence

- Establish active profiles on major social media platforms such as Facebook, X, Instagram, and YouTube.
- Regularly share updates, inspirational messages, event reminders, and photos/videos of church activities.
- Keep your platform updated!



Leveling Up the Local Church's Digital Landscape

Church App

Empowering Worship Through Technology

- A church app can serve as more than just a digital tool — it should be a spiritual companion and community hub. Designed with purpose and care, your mobile app can become an essential aid for worship, reflection, and connection.

Key Features to Inspire and Connect:

- **Sermon Notes & Service Details**
- **Inspirational Scripture & Devotions**
- **Prayer Requests & Support**



Leveling Up the Local Church's Digital Landscape

Live Streaming



- Offer live streaming of services for members who are unable to attend in person.
- Use platforms like Facebook Live, YouTube Live, or dedicated streaming services.



Leveling Up the Local Church's Digital Landscape



- **Digital Giving Options: Benefits of Digital Giving**
- **Convenience:** Members can give anytime, anywhere.
- **Consistency:** Recurring giving helps stabilize cash flow and enables better financial planning.
- **Expanded Reach:** Online platforms allow non-local supporters and virtual members to contribute.
- **Transparency:** Digital tools can offer real-time reporting and receipts.
- **Engagement:** Giving platforms often provide stories and impact reports that connect donors to outcomes.



Leveling Up the Local Church's Digital Landscape

Digital Giving Options:

- Provide multiple options for digital giving, including online donation platforms, mobile apps, and text-to-give services.
- Make it easy for members to contribute financially to the church's mission.



Leveling Up the Local Church's Digital Landscape

- **Email or Text Newsletters:** Develop an email or text newsletter or digital bulletin to keep members informed about upcoming events, sermons, volunteer opportunities, and important announcements.
- **Online Community Groups:** Create online groups or forums where members can connect, share prayer requests, discuss faith-related topics, and support one another outside of regular church meetings.



Gloo

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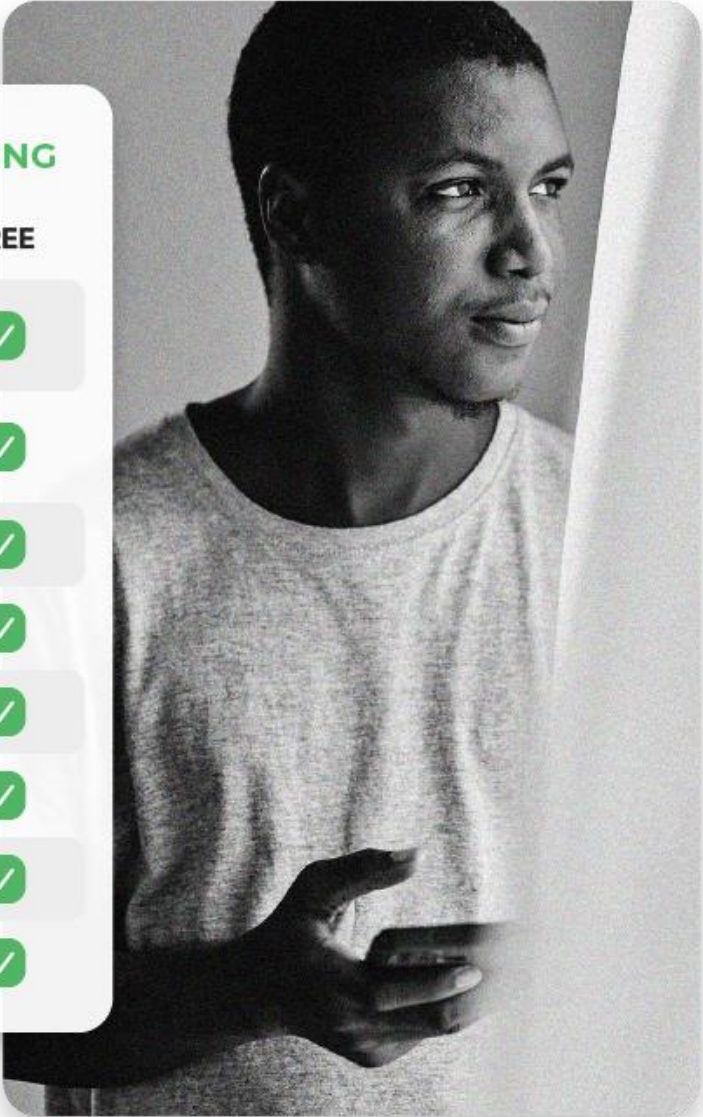
**Free and Discounted Text Messaging
Services To All CME Churches and
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Gloo – A Free & Discounted Text Messaging Platform for US CME Churches

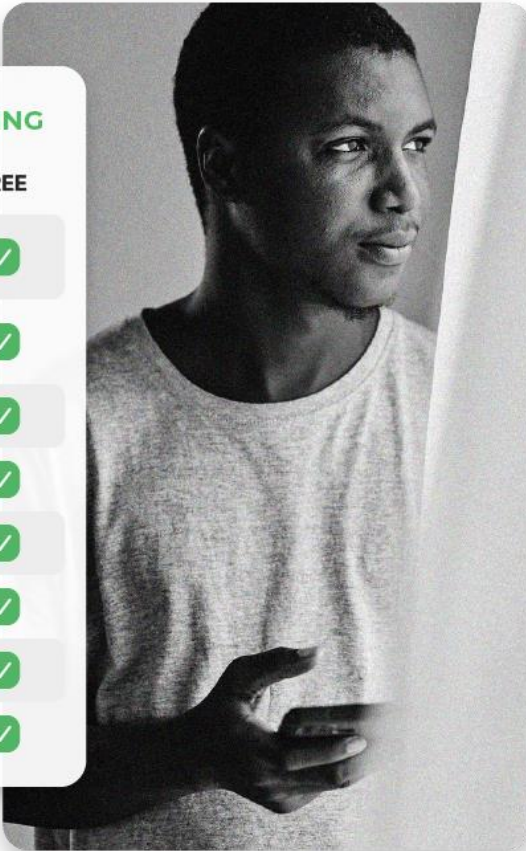
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Features	FREE
No contracts, fees, or pushy sales tactics	✓
Unlimited texting & a dedicated church phone number	✓
Prayer Request Inbox	✓
Broadcasting	✓
Customizable Text Series	✓
Mobile App	✓
Automation	✓
Integrations	✓



What are the benefits?

	Gloo Free	Gloo+
Text Messaging on a dedicated phone number	10k/month	15k/month
Groups	3	Unlimited
Workflows	3	Unlimited
Menus	--	✓
Polls	--	✓
Broadcasts	Single	Recurring
Subaccounts	--	3
New Mover Program	--	✓
Explorers	--	✓
Sermon Kits	--	✓
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- Mobile App ✓
- Automation ✓
- Integrations ✓

Connect with new people

in your community



Engage your congregation

and visitors beyond Sunday





Attention CMEs!

Gloo provides free text messaging services to local CME churches, Presiding Elder's Districts, Episcopal Districts, General and Connectional Departments, and entities in the US.

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Virtual Training Sessions offered by the CIT Department

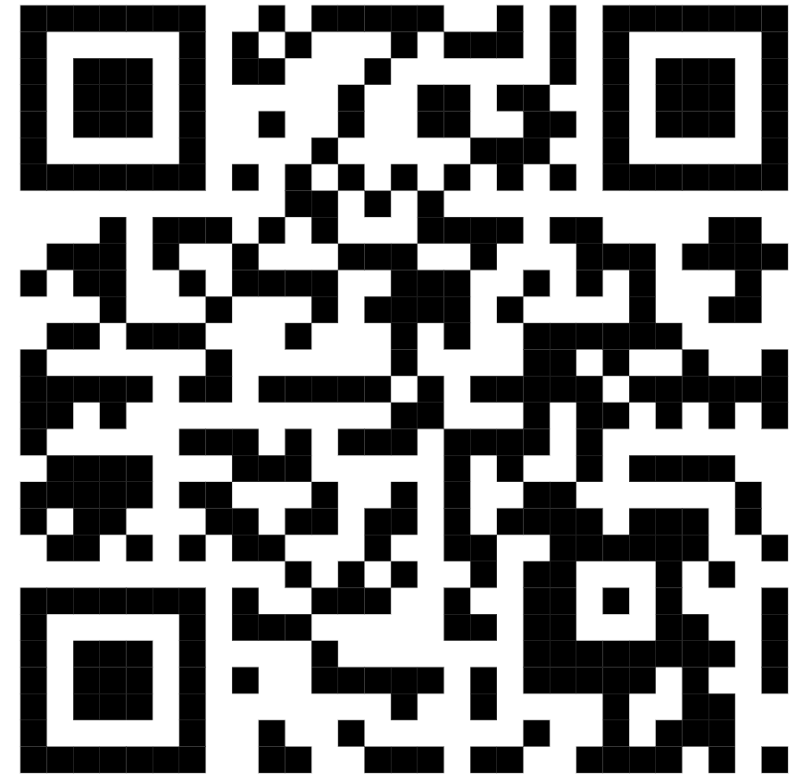
Tuesday, June 17, 2025

7PM ET | 6PM CT | 4PM PT | 3PM Alaska

Zoom Meeting ID: 953 2511 6016 Passcode: 021629

Gloo training documentation for local CME churches and entities
<https://thecmechurch.org/cit/gloo/documentation.pdf>

Online Gloo Documentation



View Gloo live presentations online
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Using Technology to Strengthen Ministries



Ministry Tools

Enhancing ministries with QR codes, digital tools, and AI involves leveraging technology to streamline operations, boost engagement, and expand reach.

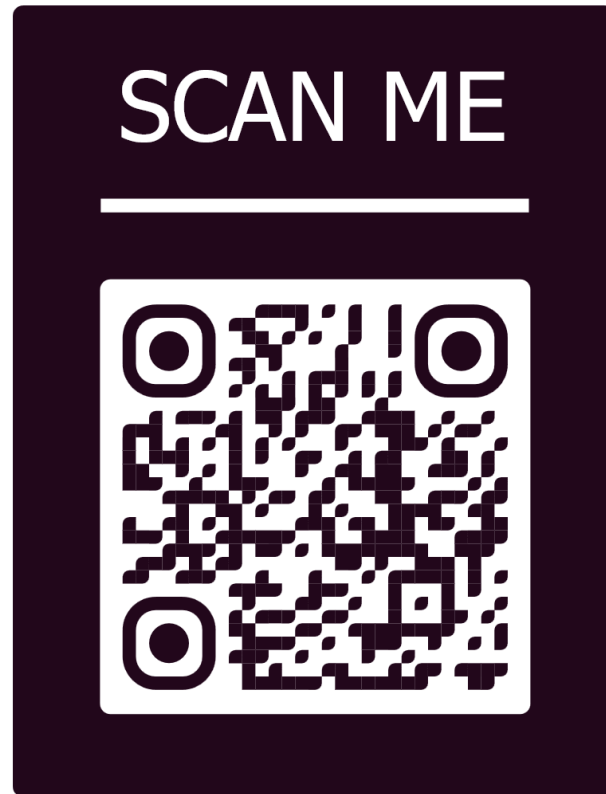
QR codes can simplify tasks like volunteer signup, accessing Wi-Fi, or directing people to relevant website pages.

Digital tools like church management software can automate administrative tasks, while AI can assist with sermon preparation, communication, and even analyzing social media trends.



Use QR Codes in Your Local Church

(Quick Response Code)



The CME Church Website

Use QR Codes to Share Data (Quick Response Codes)

- Many websites offer free QR code generators, allowing you to create basic codes for free.
- To create a QR code, you'll need a QR code generator which are included in some popular software applications or platforms,
 - Adobe Express
 - Canva
 - QR Code Monkey
 - Wix and others.
- To create QR codes for free, use the website ME-QR <https://me-qr.com/> .



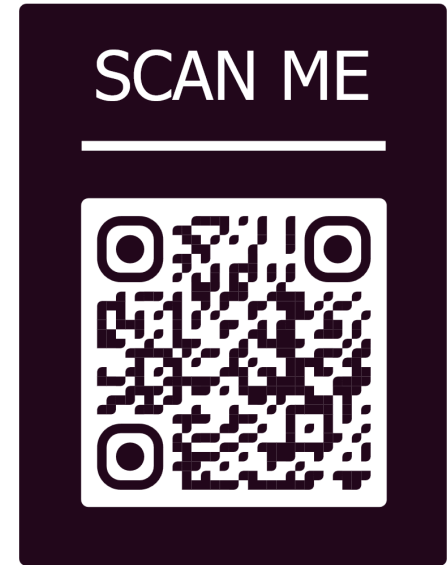
The CME Church Website

Use QR Codes in Your Local Church

- Online Giving
- Engage your virtual worshippers in the offering time
- Invite your members/ people to your digital front porch: web site, social media platforms
- Reduce your budget for paper
 - Church worship bulletin
 - Announcements
 - Monthly newsletter
- Add codes to business cards and church stationery

Use QR Codes in Your Local Church:

- Make your video screens more connected
- Track attendance and collect prayer concerns efficiently
- Help your members and guests connect to guest Wi-Fi.



Use QR Codes in Your Local Church:

- Help your members and guests learn more about the Christian Methodist Episcopal Church

<https://thecmechurch.org/about-us/>

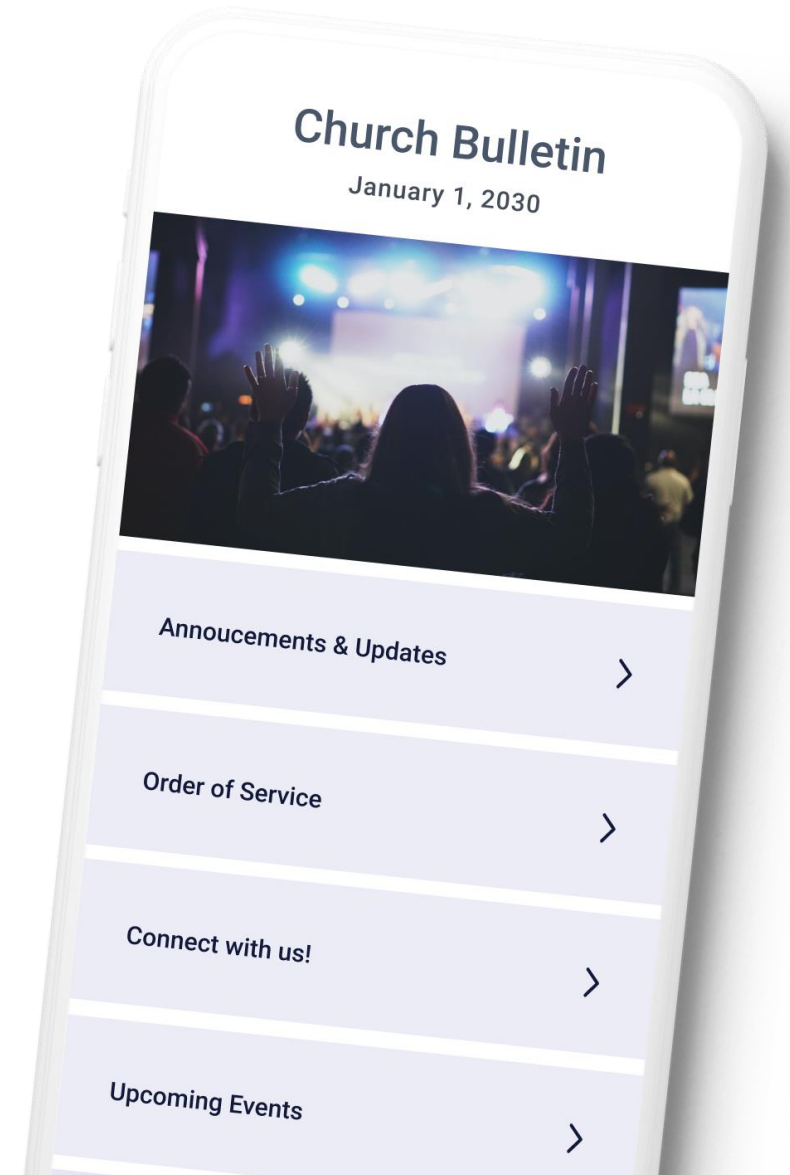
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Digital Bulletin

- A digital church bulletin is an **electronic version of the traditional paper bulletin distributed during church services.**
- It can include everything from the order of service, announcements, and upcoming events to prayer requests and sermon notes.



Digital Bulletin

- **Loop Digital Church Bulletins:**

This software focuses on creating visually appealing and easy-to-use digital bulletins, offering drag-and-drop features and integration with other church tools.

According to www.loopbulletin.com

- **Bulletin Plus:**

This platform simplifies bulletin creation and distribution, allowing churches to send bulletins to various platforms like their church app, website, and social media, according to Bulletin Plus.

- **bltn:**

This platform is a digital communication tool that allows churches to easily create and share bulletins, announcements, and other information with their congregation.

- **Proclaim:**

This presentation software from Faithlife is popular for creating worship services and automatically generates digital bulletins based on the service content.

Digital Bulletin

- **ClickBook:**

While not specifically for digital bulletins, ClickBook can help churches easily create printable bulletins from existing documents, according to Blue Squirrel.

- **Bulletin Builder:**

This software offers a user-friendly drag-and-drop interface for creating professional-looking bulletins.

- **Tent Apps:**

This platform includes a digital church bulletin as part of its services, offering features like automatic announcements and custom design options.

- **Service Bulletin Builder:**

This software, developed by Corinthian Software, is specifically designed for Episcopal churches but may have features that are useful for other denominations.

Digital Bulletin

SubSplash: <https://www.subsplash.com/>

- A platform primarily used by churches and ministries to create custom mobile apps, websites, and other digital tools for engagement and outreach. It provides features like live streaming, media hosting, online giving, messaging, and event management, all within a centralized platform. Essentially, Subsplash helps churches connect with their community and expand their reach online and offline

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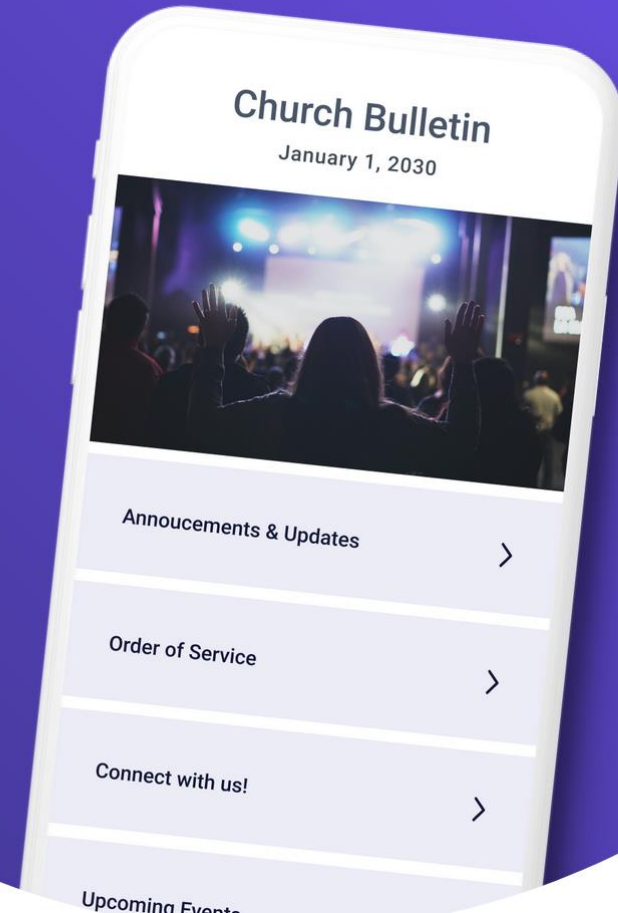
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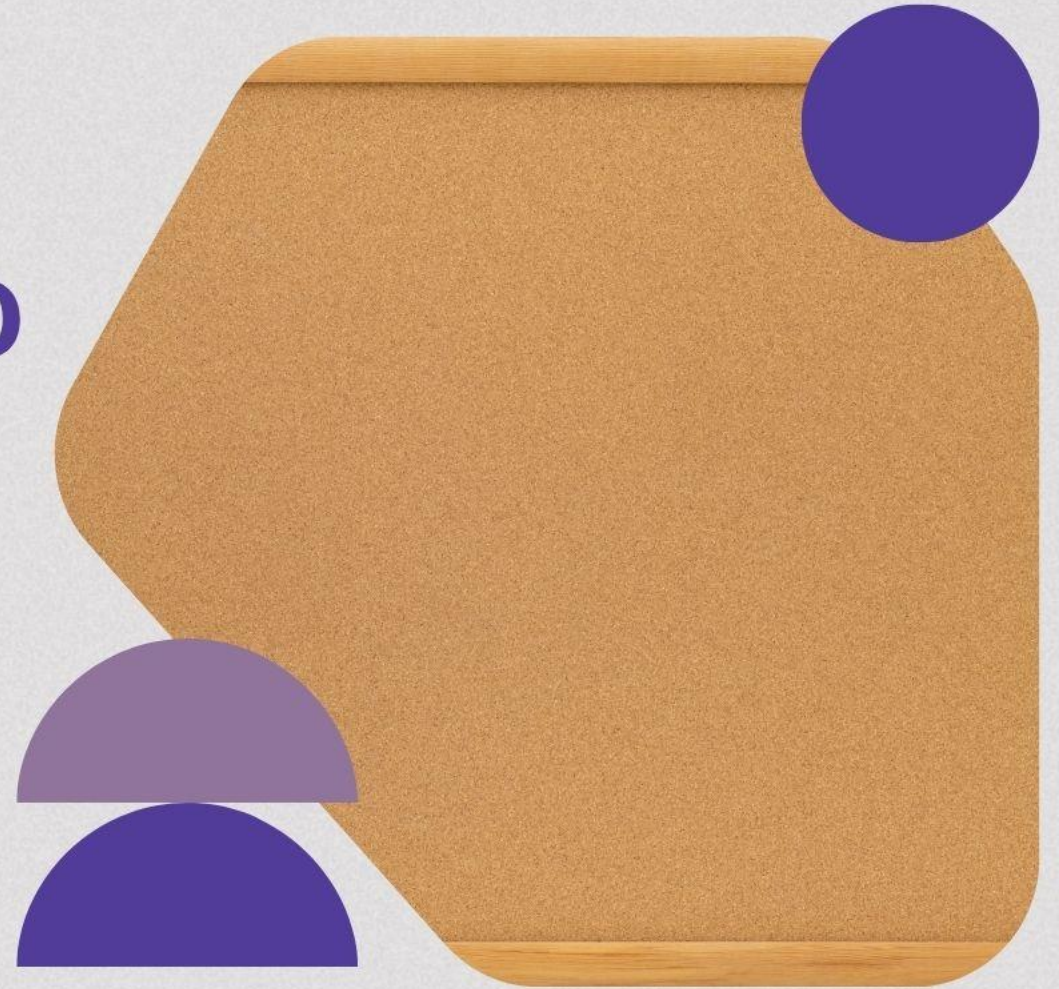
Digital church bulletins to keep everyone in the loop.

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“EFFECTIVE CHURCH ENGAGEMENT BEYOND THE FRONT DOORS”

**Loop + Gloop =
Engagement**



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Rev. Cyreeta Collins
Executive Pastor

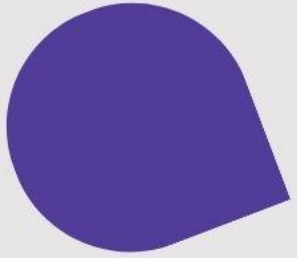
Mt. Calvary CME Church
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Understanding Loop Digital Bulletins

Loop Digital Bulletins is a platform designed to create and distribute digital bulletins for churches, providing a modern alternative to printed bulletins. It allows churches to deliver weekly announcements, sermon notes, event updates, and other key information directly to members' devices (phones, tablets, or computers).

What is Loop Bulletins?



- A web-based digital bulletin service for churches.
- Allows you to create customizable, visually appealing bulletins with text, images, links, and media.
- Accessible via a web link (QR code, text link, or social media).
- Replaces or supplements traditional paper bulletins, reducing printing costs and environmental impact.

How Can It Be Used Effectively in the Local Church?



1. Enhance Communication

- Centralized information hub: Include announcements, sermon notes, upcoming events, prayer requests, and giving information in one place.
- Real-time updates: Last-minute changes or new announcements can be added easily.

2. Increase Engagement

- Interactive elements: Add links to sign-ups for events, online giving portals, or sermon podcasts.
- Multimedia integration: Include embedded videos, images, or worship playlists to deepen engagement.

How Can It Be Used Effectively in the Local Church?



3. Improve Accessibility

- Mobile-friendly: Members can access bulletins from any device, making them more convenient than paper versions.
- Inclusive communication: Share bulletins via text messages, emails, or social media, ensuring everyone stays informed.

4. Streamline Workflows

- Reduce printing and distribution work: No more folding and stapling paper bulletins each week.
- Consistency: Templates and pre-saved sections can simplify weekly creation.

How Can It Be Used Effectively in the Local Church?



5. Foster Community

- Highlight ministries: Feature stories or highlights from different ministries within the church.
- Promote small groups: Include direct sign-up links for Bible studies, small groups, or service opportunities.

6. Support Sustainability

- Eco-friendly: Reduces paper waste, aligning with green initiatives.



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Dr. Jeffery R. Wheeler
Senior Pastor



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Loop Bulletin in Action



- Open your browser and enter the link below

<https://mtcalvarycmechurch.updates.church>

Welcome

We are honored and excited to have You here for worship!

Please scan the QR code to view the:

- Digital Bulletin
- Visitor Connect Card
- Prayer Request
- Giving options
- Weekly Announcements

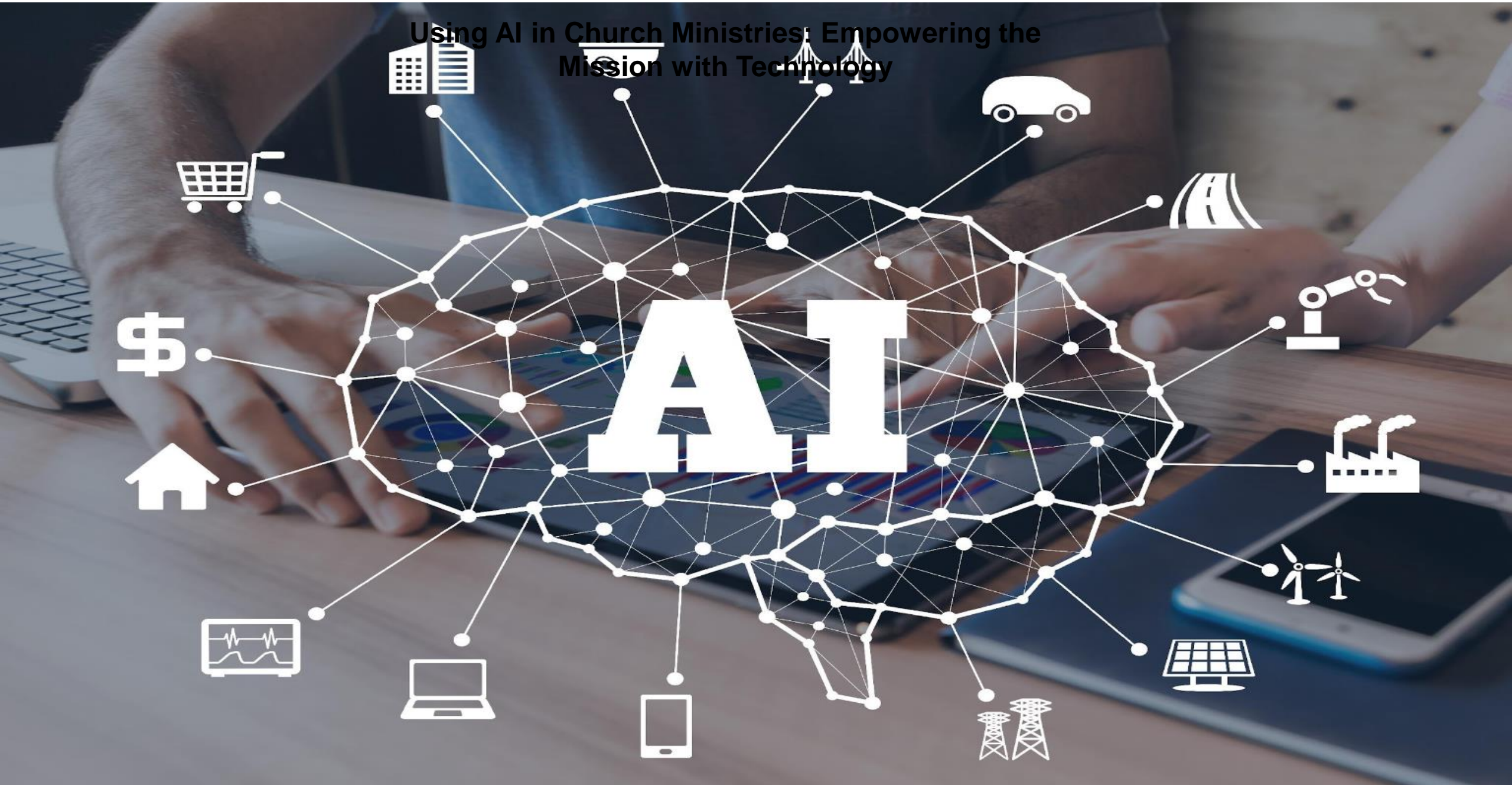


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Using AI in Church Ministries: Empowering the Mission with Technology

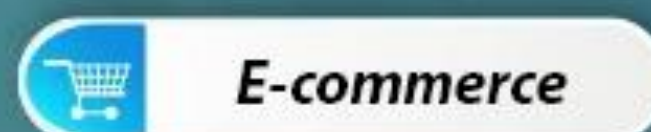


1 WHAT IS AI?



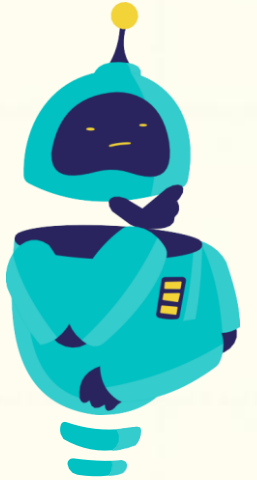
- **Artificial Intelligence is the ability for a computer to think, learn and simulate human mental processes, such as perceiving, reasoning, and learning.**
- **It can also independently perform complex tasks that once required human input.**

Applications of AI





How does Machine Learning Relate to AI?



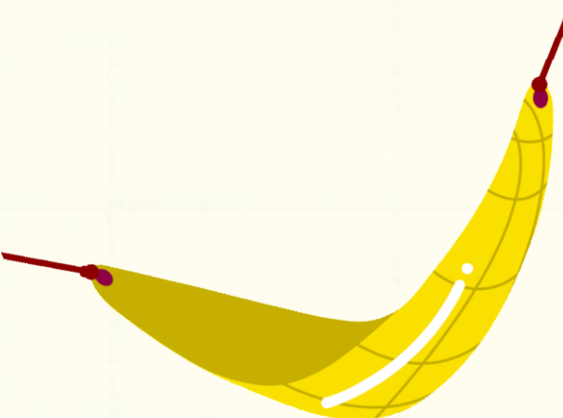
Although the terms Artificial Intelligence (AI) and machine learning are frequently used interchangeably, (machine learning is a subset of the larger category of AI.)

Artificial Intelligence signifies computers' general ability to mimic human thought while carrying out tasks in real-world environments

Machine learning implies to the technologies and algorithms that allow systems to recognize patterns, make decisions, and improve themselves through experience and data.



EXAMPLES



Virtual Assistance

Autonomous vehicles

Chatbots

E-commerce

AI can be used for various situations, but these are some examples of AI in our daily life.

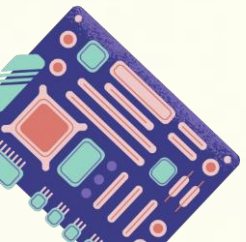


Recommendation systems

Navigation apps

Facial recognition

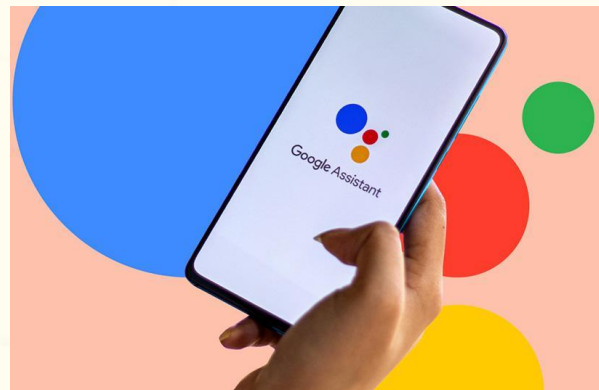
Text editors



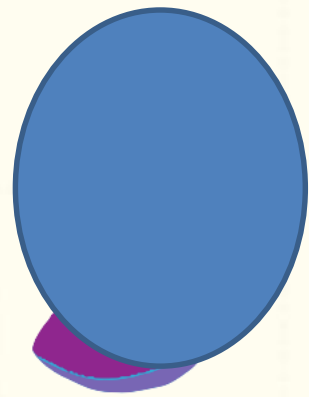
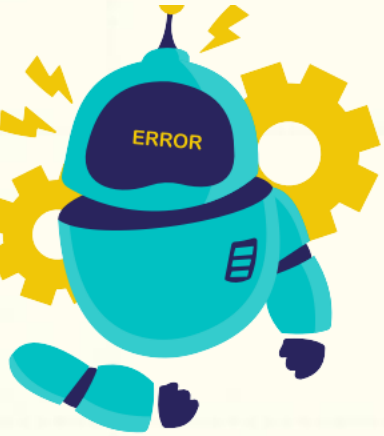
AI Recommender Systems



Virtual Assistants

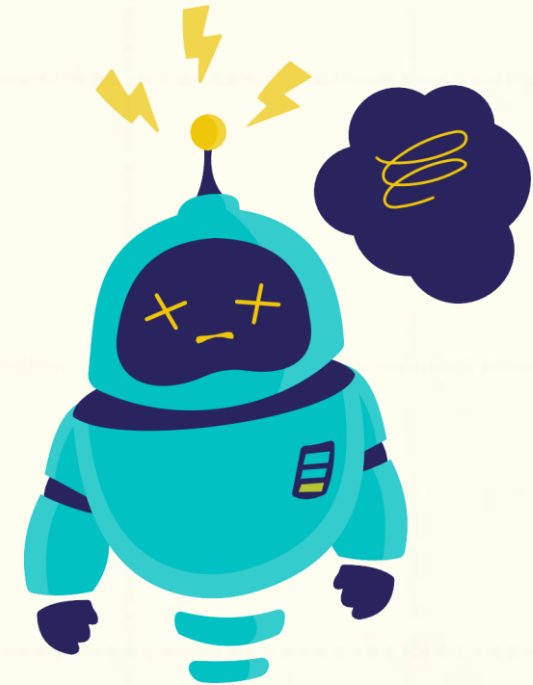


Disadvantages of AI?



Lack of Transparency → lying about using AI

- Bias and Discrimination → assumption based on Incorrect information
- Privacy Concerns
- Ethical Dilemmas
- Security Risks →
- Concentration of
- Power Dependence on
- AI Job Displacement



Using AI Responsibly

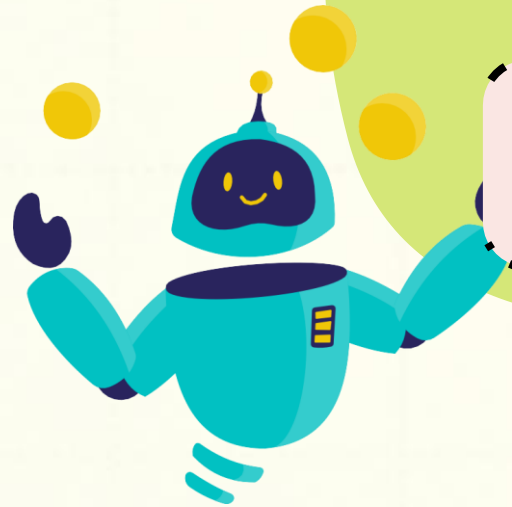
People should use their own creativity, not copy off of AI! AI is just a tool for efficiency!

Put People First

Consider data and privacy goals

Minimize unintended bias

Ensure AI transparency



A digital graphic with a dark blue background. On the left, a glowing blue cloud contains the letters 'AI' in a large, bold, light blue font. The cloud is surrounded by a complex network of glowing blue lines and nodes, resembling a neural network or data flow. Various icons are scattered around the network, including a QR code, a play button, a gear, and a document. On the right side, the text 'EMBRACING AI IN CHURCH MINISTRIES' is written in a large, bold, white sans-serif font, arranged in three lines. The overall aesthetic is futuristic and technological.

EMBRACING AI IN CHURCH MINISTRIES

EMBRACE AI FOR EFFECTIVE MINISTRY JUST AS DONE WITH OTHER TECH TOOLS!



- **Communication**
- **Online Sermons and Worship**
- **Community Building**
- **Digital Giving**
- **Virtual Meetings and Counseling**
- **Resource Management**
- **Education and Training:**

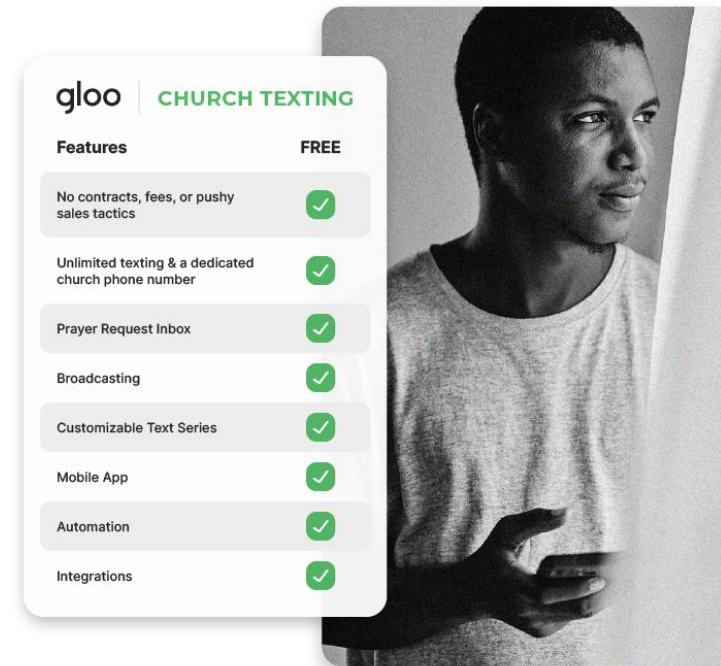
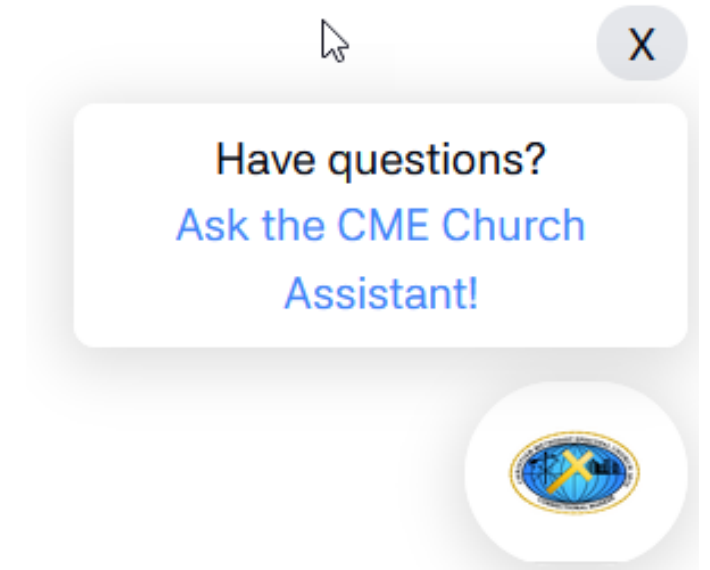
How AI supports communication, administration, worship, and outreach

- Purpose in ministry: **Support, not replace, Spirit-led leadership**
- **Virtual Assistants:** AI can be used to create virtual assistants that can help with administrative tasks, scheduling, and answering common questions.
- **Data Analysis:** AI can analyze data to help churches understand their congregation better. This can help in tailoring services and programs to meet the needs of the congregation.
- **Online Outreach:** AI can help in managing social media and other online platforms, making it easier for churches to reach out and connect with people.

Using AI in the Church

Communication & Engagement

- Chatbots for FAQs on websites
- Texting campaigns and automated responses (e.g., Gloop)
- Real-time translation tools



Using AI in the Church

Administrative Efficiency

- AI scheduling tools for volunteers and events
 - Document summarization and transcription
 - Voice-to-text note-taking
- **ChatGPT (Content Writing)**
 - **Otter.ai or Descript (Transcription)**
 - **Notion AI (Planning & Organizing)**

Using AI in the Church

Outreach & Evangelism

- QR codes linked to sermon notes or visitor forms
- AI-powered social media strategies
- Community insight tools for targeted outreach

Using AI in the Church

Worship & Media

AI-generated visuals and videos for services

Design

- Canva AI
- Midjourney
- ChatGPT

AI-Generated Videos

- Synthesia
- HeyGen
- InVideo
- Opus
- DALL-E 3 video editing
- CapCut /Filmora video editing

Content Generation

- Personalized learning through AI-based LMS platforms
- Smart Bible study tools (e.g., Logos, YouVersion)
- Devotional content generation

Real-World Use Cases

- Auto-responders for online prayer requests
- Gloop: free church texting and connection platform
- QR integration for bulletins and event sign-ups

Ethical Considerations

- Protecting privacy and sensitive data
- Transparency in AI usage
- Balancing tech with spiritual discernment

Getting Started

- Identify your ministry's digital needs.
- Pilot one tool or use case.
- Train ministry leaders.
- Monitor results and adjust.
- Continue to learn and adapt.

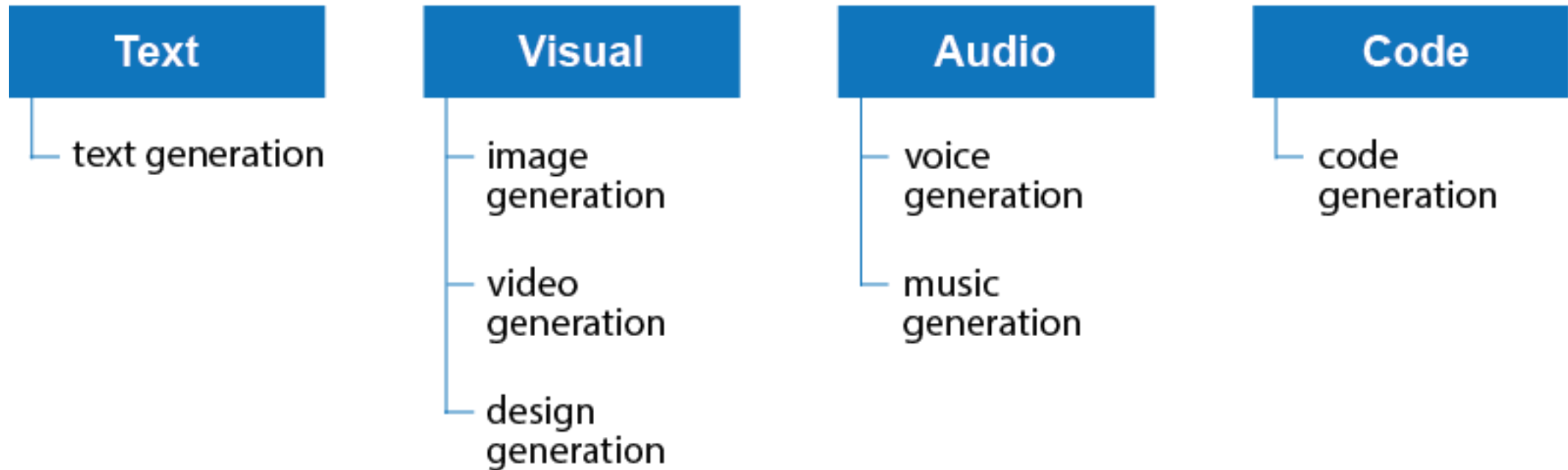
GENERATIVE

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Generative Artificial Intelligence (AI) tools use machine learning models trained on massive pools of information to learn patterns from data to create novel content like text, images, audio, or video in response to a prompt.

Generative AI Tools



TOOLS USED BY ORDINARY PEOPLE TO DO ORDINARY THINGS!

Recommended Tools

- Gloop (Texting and Outreach)
- Canva AI (Design)
- ChatGPT (Content Writing)
- Microsoft Co-Pilot (Content Writing)
- Zoom AI Companion Tools
- Otter.ai or Descript (Transcription)
- Notion AI (Planning & Organizing)

Generative AI Tools for Ministries - ChatBots

- Gloop Faith Assistant: <https://faithassistant.com/>
- ChaptGPT: <https://chat.openai.com/>
- Microsoft Co-Pilot - <https://copilot.microsoft.com/>
- Google Gemini: <https://gemini.google.com/>
- Perplexity: <https://www.perplexity.ai/>
- Poe: <https://poe.com/>

ChatGPT

- ChatGPT is an artificial intelligence writing platform known for its ability to create high-quality content, answer questions, and much more.
- It was introduced at the end of November 2022, and between its ability to understand language nuances and growing popularity, ChatGPT is here to stay.
- To start using ChatGPT, open chatgpt.com
- **You can ask Chatgpt anything!**

Tips for Using ChatGPT for Churches

- 1. Engage your audience with chat prompts
- 2. Answer FAQs
- 3. Support pastoral care efforts
- 4. Create devotionals
- 5. Generate social media content
- 6. Suggest sermon topics and write sermons
- 7. Develop kid's ministry content
- 8. Simplify communications
- 9. Plan and promote events
- 10. Strengthen fundraising efforts

ChatGPT

Final Thoughts

- As a pastor or church leader, you don't need to have all the answers or do all the work yourself. There are existing tools (and new ones being developed daily) that offer new ways to automate workflows and boost efficiency in ministry operations so you can ultimately create stronger connections with your community.
- AI tools like ChatGPT are always learning and evolving, and the Church has the opportunity to do the same! Now is a great time to explore how this cutting-edge technology can support and grow your ministry.
- ChatGPT is just **one** tool that churches can put in their digital toolkit. Discover what church leaders are saying about their priorities, concerns, and expectations for church technology, today and for the future.



We've only begun to scratch
the surface!

AI Tools for Ministries

Chatbots

Image Generation

Design

Presentations

Writing Tools

Social Media

Audio Generation

Video Editing

Audio Editing

AI Toolboxes



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Worship & Media

Examples of AI Tools for Audio Enhancement:

- [Auphonic](#): a web-based AI tool that automates audio post-production tasks, including noise reduction, level adjustment, and overall sound quality enhancement.
- [Hance.ai](#): Offers low-cost, CPU-efficient AI-powered audio enhancement solutions for real-time noise and reverb removal.
- [Descript](#): Offers a Studio Sound effect that can be applied to audio files to enhance the sound and clarity of vocals.
- [Riverside](#): A built-in AI audio enhancement feature called "Magic Audio" that can be used to clean up recordings and improve audio quality.
- [AudioShake](#): AI-powered tools for extracting clean dialogue stems and automating lyric transcription.
- [Gling.ai](#): AI-powered audio enhancement features for removing background noise and improving overall sound quality.

Audio Enhancement

Examples of AI Tools for Audio Enhancement:

- [Media.io](#): An AI audio enhancer that can remove background noise and improve audio quality.
- [Adobe Podcast](#): Offers an AI-powered tool for cleaning up speech and making audio sound like it was recorded in a professional studio.
- [VEED.IO](#): An AI audio enhancer that can remove background noise, improve speech clarity, and normalize volume

Experimentation is Key

- **Invite AI to the Table:** Use AI in meetings, for generating ideas, and even in personal tasks like storytelling to gauge its effectiveness.
- **Keep Humans in the Loop:** AI is predictive and trainable; it is not creative or reasonable. Artificial Intelligence is moonlight. Human Intelligence is sunlight.
- **Start with Familiar Tasks:** For those new to AI (e.g. all of us), start with tasks you do often so you can critically assess AI's performance and determine its best applications in your specific areas of expertise.

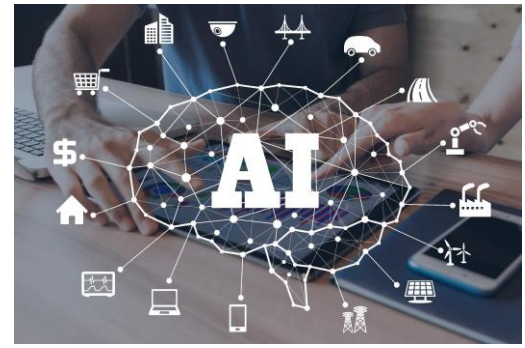
What would you do if you had more time for the things you value most?



What are your next steps for leveling up your church's ministry?



Next Steps



- Digital tools and AI can enhance ministries in local churches.
- Identify innovative digital and AI tools that could be used for ministries in your church, and learn more about them.
- Register for next month's class on using ChapGPT and prompts effectively.
- Review CIT training classes:
 - CME Facebook page: www.facebook.com/thecmechurch
 - CME YouTube Channel: www.youtube.com/cmechurch

QUESTIONS

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