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## THE NEW MIND-SET VERSUS THE OLD MIND-SET

*Paradigm shift is essential to Lay Pastors Ministry*

OLD: The Pastor is called by God to be a minister.

NEW: Every Christian is called by God to be a minister.

OLD: Ministry is the task of the pastor, supported by the people.

NEW: Ministry is the task of the people, supported by the pastor.

OLD: The pastor assists the people in doing what they believe God is calling the people to do.

NEW: Only all of the people together have the gifts required to do the ministry of the church.

OLD: The pastors bear the burden of the ministry. The people hold them up in prayer.

NEW: Both people and pastors bear the burden of the ministry. They hold one another up in prayer.

OLD: The pastor is accountable to God and the members for doing the ministry. Lay people who serve are accountable to the pastor.

NEW: All Christians are ministers and are accountable to God and the Church leaders.

OLD: Seminaries are to educate and train certain "called" people for the ministry.

NEW: The church is to educate and train the members to be ministers.●

*from Supporting paper*



**This is a** paradigm shift. Where are you now, and what do you think of this? We have to make the tough choice to abandon the old mindset.  
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