



Church University

CHURCH BOARD TRACK (CBT)

Course Description

Church University through its Church Board Track provides pastors and board members a blueprint to build a healthy church leadership team. Too many pastors and leaders dread monthly board meetings because they last too long and accomplish too little. For some, meetings are filled with nothing more than petty squabbles and needless conflicts. The Church Board Track of Church University will help bring unity to the church leadership team, purpose to the agenda, and joy to the meetings!

Module 1 - [What's a Board Supposed to Do?](#)

- CBT 1-1 How a Pastor and Board Use This Resource
- CBT 1-2 Philosophy of Ministry
- CBT 1-3 Seven Essential Purposes of a Board (Part 1)
- CBT 1-4 Seven Essential Purposes of a Board (Part 2)
- CBT 1-5 Top 3 Responsibilities of a Church Board Member
- CBT 1-6 Roundtable Discussion – James River Church
- CBT 1-7 Roundtable Discussion – Joliet First Assembly
- CBT 1-8 Roundtable Discussion – Parklawn Church

Module 2 - [Identifying, Recruiting and Deploying Board Members](#)

- CBT 2-1 How to Identify Potential Board Members
- CBT 2-2 How to Recruit Board Members
- CBT 2-3 How to Deploy Board Members
- CBT 2-4 How to Equip Board Members
- CBT 2-5 Roundtable Discussion – James River Church
- CBT 2-6 Roundtable Discussion – Joliet First Assembly
- CBT 2-7 Roundtable Discussion – Parklawn Church
- CBT 2-8 Additional Resources

Module 3 - Nuts and Bolts of a Good Board Meeting

- CBT 3-1 Creating an Atmosphere
- CBT 3-2 Developing Agendas to Get Things Done
- CBT 3-3 When, What, Where, and How Long
- CBT 3-4 A Process to Move Forward
- CBT 3-5 Documentation and Approvals
- CBT 3-6 Roundtable Discussion – James River Church
- CBT 3-7 Roundtable Discussion – Joliet First Assembly
- CBT 3-8 Roundtable Discussion – Parklawn Church
- CBT 3-9 Additional Resources

Module 4 - Cultivating & Growing Board Relationships

- CBT 4-1 Have a Little Fun
- CBT 4-2 One-on-One
- CBT 4-3 Disagreeing without Drawing Blood
- CBT 4-4 Having Difficult Conversations Part 1
- CBT 4-5 Having Difficult Conversations Part 2
- CBT 4-6 Roundtable Discussion – James River Church
- CBT 4-7 Roundtable Discussion – Joliet First Assembly
- CBT 4-8 Roundtable Discussion – Parklawn Church

Module 5 - Specific to Board Members

- CBT 5-1 What's It Like to Be a Pastor Today
- CBT 5-2 How You Can Help
- CBT 5-3 Setting the Pastor's Salary and Benefits
- CBT 5-4 Your Fiduciary Responsibility
- CBT 5-5 Performance Expectations
- CBT 5-6 How to Set the Church Budget
- CBT 5-7 How to Trim the Church Budget
- CBT 5-8 Additional Resources

Module 6 - Board Member Responsibilities

- CBT 6-1 Self-policing board (1)
- CBT 6-2 Democracy vs Theocracy (2)
- CBT 6-3 The board member and prayer (3)

- CBT 6-4 Cultivate a spirit of generosity (4)
- CBT 6-5 Resist the urge to be the pastor's supervisor (5)
- CBT 6-6 When Church Members Complain
- CBT 6-7 Moving from Board-Led to Pastor-Led
- CBT 6-8 Keeping a Clean Heart
- CBT 6-9 Additional Resources

Pastor's Module - Lead Pastor Only

- CBT PST-1 How a Pastor Uses This Training Material
- CBT PST-2 Building Personal Relationships with Individual Board Members
- CBT PST-3 Leading the Board Spiritually
- CBT PST-4 Dealing with an Obstinate Board Member
- CBT PST-5 Dismissing a Church Board Member
- CBT PST-6 Staying in Contact
- CBT PST-7 Additional Resources

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