



The Art and Practice of Governance for the 21st Century Session 1 – Building Blocks for a Solid Foundation

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Unity Worldwide Ministries Eastern Region and Southeast Region

Facilitated by

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- This series is for anyone who thinks of governance as their least favorite part of ministry, or even "a necessary evil."
- Ministers and spiritual leaders, as well as Board members and anyone who wants to participate in the governance of their ministry, and encourage others to participate, with greater effectiveness, fulfillment and joy, will benefit from attending this seminar.
- Over the series of the two sessions, we will discover governance can be an "expressive art not unlike preaching," and that it is a spiritual practice. Additionally, we will see how it is a valuable opportunity for teaching good civics for the betterment of our world.

Session One: Building Blocks for A Solid Foundation

We will cover essential documents for your ministry that describe the roles, responsibilities and processes for governance. These will include: Bylaws, Policy Manuals, Procedures, Code of Ethics, Conflict of Interest statements, and Board minutes. What's in these documents, why they are important, who they apply to, who should read them, best practices for updating and maintaining them.

Wednesday, November 2, 10:30 am to 12:30 pm

Thursday, November 10, 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Eastern Region participants go to www.unityeasternregion.org/21stCentury to register

Southeast Region Participants go to <https://seunity.breezechms.com/form/5d1655> to register

Registration is a two-step process – register and pay \$75 for your ministry/send the link to each individual who wishes to attend/they register at no cost to receive their personalized link

Reverend Mary Masters has served as the Senior Minister at Unity of Buffalo for almost 20 years now. She has also served on the Eastern Region Board, and a Board President, and on the Unity Worldwide Ministries Board of Trustees, and Board chair for one year. Rev. Mary is an adjunct faculty member with Unity Worldwide Spiritual Institute and teaches the class on Ministry Structure, Board and Governance for our ministerial students. She is nearing completion of the training program with UWM to become a Ministry Consultant. Governance is one of her favorite subjects!