



IBC Worship Ministry Mission & Guidelines

Mission Statement: The Worship Ministry Mission is to glorify God through praise and worship with song, scripture, prayer, testimonies, dramas, dance, visual and audio media, interpretation, and through the proclamation of God’s Word -- and to do all with the utmost excellence.

Spiritual Goal: We serve as lead worshippers for our church body and our focus is to serve and lead others to focus on Jesus Christ during our worship experience. It is not about us; it is all about the God we serve. We will consistently seek Him in prayer and ask for guidance through the power of the Holy Spirit to accomplish His will.

Worship Style: Our congregation is a multi-generational and multi-cultural group of believers and seekers. We desire to engage the entire congregation by worshipping in the heart language of as many in our congregation as possible. To achieve this goal, worship leaders attempt to follow a song criteria: familiarity, sing-ability, hymns, English & Spanish lyrics, introduce new songs, and theologically sound. We offer special occasions throughout the year which will incorporate a wide variety of styles to represent that particular event.

Instrumentation: We are open to different types of instruments & vocals to be used. Worship leaders must use good judgment and consider our congregation when selecting musicians and instruments. Special attention should be given to volume for each individual instrument played and all efforts should be made to provide a “good mix” with the sound.

Demeanor: Smile! Be joyful unto the Lord! Let the joy of your relationship with Christ draw our congregation into genuine worship. Your presence & body language should be conducted with a good posture and pleasant countenance.

Rehearsals: We strive for excellence and require all musicians and vocalists rehearse at the designated time presented by the worship leader. We do not require that the songs be memorized, but rather that you are very familiar with the songs so that by the time our worship service starts, you are able to focus more on God than on the music sheets. Be on time! Attendance for rehearsals is expected unless providentially hindered. The night or day of the rehearsal may vary with each worship leader. Be flexible!

Be an awesome witness for Christ: Remember as a leader in our congregation, others are watching you to see if your walk with Christ is authentic. It is vital that you conduct yourself in a manner that befits our Lord. This extends beyond the walls of the church building and reaches to every corner of your life. Your witness is in the workplace, at school, in your leisure time, in your social media, and in the way you interact with friends and family. Ungodly behavior not only reflects poorly on the church, but it also does great damage to your witness for Christ. In the same way, we expect our worship team to lead by example in the church by attending both the worship services and actively involved in a small group. We encourage every team member to complete Discovering IBC (who we are, what we believe, our mission, purpose, vision, & values).

Dress Code: We ask all members of the worship team dress in a way that does not draw unneeded attention to oneself. For men, this would mean wearing long pants, slacks, or nice jeans, and a nice shirt and shoes. For ladies, this would mean either pants, slacks, nice jeans, skirts or dresses that are at-the-knee or below-the-knee. Tops should be somewhat conservative. Do not wear low-back, low-front, or halter top blouses and dresses. All clothing must have an appropriate foundation - no see-through clothing. Please recognize with the diverse ages and cultures represented in our church, clothing that is perfectly fine for one, may be highly objectionable to someone else. Play it safe and keep focused on the goal of keeping all eyes on God!