

G.I.F.T. LRP SESSION
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Brainstorming Ideas:

- Empower lay leaders as needed
- Expand options and times for Bible Study
- Provide consistent quality leadership
- Provide richer Bible content
- More in-depth study of the Bible
- Communicate our strengths better, (our uniqueness)
- **Hire strong CE person to lead us and keep us faith centered and Biblical**
- Find good curriculum, (UCC/ANTS resources)
- Connect with everyone in church – participate in common themes of study
- But balance above with appreciation of different types of study – allow varied themes throughout the church demographic
- Better communication about upcoming sermon. Mention exact Bible verse
- Increase staff at HCC particularly office staff – office help
- **Create a better connection with students at ANTS, (perhaps even to lead us in Bible Study)**
- Start a Steven's Ministry
- **Pay more attention to ways to encourage use and students from ANTS – use resources – particularly with youth**
- **Learn from and use UCC resources**
- Increase opportunities to study other faiths and religions
- More interfaith dialogue
- Maintain strengths of GIFT
- Communicate offerings of involvement, (on-boarding), to new members
- Trust our Senior Pastor's visions and experience
- Bring in an advisor/consultant to broaden our horizons and give fresh ideas
- **Bring in GIFT leader with relevant skills**

Items in red and bold were stated as highest priorities in the opinions of the GIFT group.