WEEKLY PRACTICE SCHEDULE

A FEW NOTES

- Use this schedule the week prior to the date you are scheduled to serve.
- You can do all of the steps listed below in about 30 minutes a day.
- If you follow this schedule, or something similar, you will have played the songs at least three times before rehearsal day.
- Rehearsal is meant to be a time to bring all of the pieces that we have been practicing all week together. Sunday morning rehearsal is a time to fine-tune the songs we've already learned, not to learn them for the first time. Sunday morning should not be the first time you have played the set list.
- Coming prepared will give you, and the entire team, the freedom to worship our Lord with passion!

PRACTICE SCHEDULE

MONDAY

ALL If songs are posted, begin listening to them.

GUITAR & KEYS Practice Major Scales in specific keys (C, B, Bb, A, Ab, G, F, E, D)

DRUMS Practice rudiments, grooves and fills

VOCALS Vocal exercises (The Unhindered Voice Podcast is great resource)

TUESDAY

ALL Be on the lookout for the set list being posted on Planning Center Online. -

Listen to all the songs with a critical ear.

Listen through songs while looking at the chart & take notes as needed. Begin picking out any melodic or specific parts for your instrument.

VOCALS Try to find the harmonies and/or melodies in the songs.

* If you're having trouble, look up the songs on YouTube. Sometimes people will post the songs with the harmony parts more prevalent.

WEDNESDAY

ALL Continue listening to the songs critically and making notes on the charts.

VOCALS Come to the scheduled vocal rehearsal with an idea of the harmonies. You

should begin singing with the recordings on Planning Center Online. If you are not sure of the parts, don't worry! Vocal rehearsal is there so that we

can begin figuring those things out.

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THURSDAY

ALL Practice all the songs.

Play with the .mp3s on Planning Center Online (they will be in the correct key we are playing on Sunday). Make sure you are playing in the right key and check your timing!

If there are special lead lines for your instrument, learn those! YouTube is especially helpful with this.

After you've played through the songs once or twice, try playing through them with a metronome.

* If you need a metronome, there are a ton of free apps that are more than good enough. The BPM (beats per minute) is on top of the chart.

FRIDAY

ALL Practice all the songs. Play along/sing with the recordings again on

Planning Center Online.

After playing with the recordings, try to play the song with just a

metronome.

* Try to memorize the songs.

SATURDAY

ALL Practice all the songs. Play them without the .mp3 (be sure to use a

metronome).

SUNDAY

ALL Come to Sunday morning rehearsal prepared and ready to worship