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# Marriage and Ministry

The quality of the marriage partnership is of utmost importance for ministers of the gospel. The MTS Apprenticeship is a good stage to build strong foundations and work through problem areas.

## Exercise

Work through the 'Marriage and Ministry' Assessment Sheet, to develop a robust, enjoyable marriage.

## Aims

1. To identify areas of strength and weakness in the marriage
2. To work at strategies to improve the weak areas
3. To ensure that Apprentices give a right priority to their spouses and children

## Trainers

Work through assessment sheet with Apprentices.

## Resources

The Marriage Builder, Larry Crabb (Zondervan: 1992)

Good Loving, Great Sex, Rosie King (Arrow Books:1998)

## 'Marriage and Ministry' Assessment Sheet

Area	Making Progress	Needs Work	Action
Bible reading and prayer together			
Physical relationship			
Communication and understanding			
Planning and organization			
Recreation, days off work, holidays			
Sense of unity together			
Sharing in ministry together			
Adjusting to one in ministry and one in other work			
Dealing with conflict			