

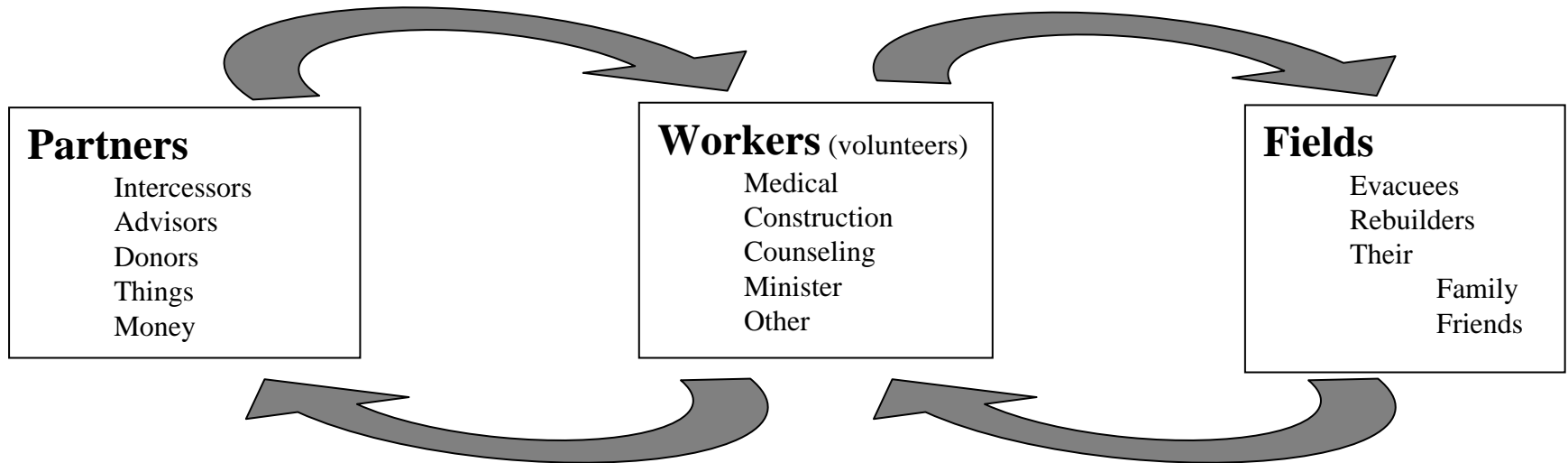
Four Bridges 7 Sound Bites

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7 Sound Bites

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2. Communicating the truth in love
3. Improving stewardship of time, talents and treasure (things and money)
4. Bringing together people, resources and opportunities
5. Raising up lay leaders
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7. Glorifying God in bearing much fruit

Connecting the Body of Christ



Communicating the Truth in Love

- Over the four communication bridges passes
 - God's truth
 - His love
- Believers express the compassion of Christ with their words and deeds.
- See
 - John 8:32
 - Ephesians 4:15
 - 1 John 4:7

Improving Stewardship of Time, Talents and Treasure (things and money)

- Every human being will privately give an account of his or her life to the Lord Jesus Christ Himself at one of two places
 - Great White Throne of Judgment
 - unbelievers will be condemned for rejecting Christ
 - Judgment Seat of Christ
 - works of believers will be evaluated and rewarded
 - fruit of the works comes from the roots of stewardship
 - good and faithful stewardship requires
 - » self discipline
 - » healthy habits
 - » support network

Bringing Together People, Resources and Opportunities

- People have needs and wants for
 - Other people
 - Individuals
 - Groups
 - Institutions
 - Things
 - Shelter
 - Supplies
 - Water
 - Food
 - Clothes
 - Medicine
 - Furniture
 - Tools
 - Educational
- Opportunities to express their spiritual gifts

Raising Up Lay Leaders

- Not enough professionals to meet all needs
 - pastors
 - missionaries
 - counselors
- Lay people can be
 - trained
 - equipped
 - encouraged
- Lay people can be raised up to lead other lay people

Facilitating Functional Communities

- Biblical Christianity flourishes in the context of an interactive community.
- People have a need to give and receive love in the context of a caring group.
- See
 - Romans 12:4,5

Glorifying God in Bearing Much Fruit

- Four Bridges provides a wide range of possible ways for many and various believers to abide in the True Vine, Jesus Christ.
- See
 - John 15:5
 - John 15:8