

## The Buddy System

### Tips for being a good “buddy”

1. Treat everyone like they belong.
2. Don't leave anyone behind; or standing outside alone.
3. Watch your “poker face”. You might think you have a friendly face, but the **real** look on your face could say otherwise.
4. If a visitor arrives, treat them like a celebrity! And assume they know nothing, so tell them everything.
5. Don't just invite someone, TAKE THEM WITH YOU.
6. Introduce them, include them in conversation, sit by them, get to know them.
7. Offer explanations. We talk in acronyms A LOT! Make sure they understand. “LWML, EC, BOD, KAOL, ...” To most, that is alphabet soup.
8. Be open to new ideas.
9. Put your friendliest people at the door.
10. Be sure your greeters/registration people know what guests to expect.
11. Be a good mentor. We all have mentors. What makes them special to you?
12. You are the greatest Christian that someone knows.
13. What do you call a grown-up, lifelong buddy? A mentor.  
When I grow up, I want to be a mentor.

