

**Systematizing Chaos:
Preparing for the Church of the Future
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“The creation, operation, and maintenance of systems to serve ministry and mission
. . . .in today’s chaotic future.”

Trends That Influence Church Administration

X & Y Leadership

Staffing Shifts

Warp Response Expectations

Franchised & Distance Churching

Technology Expansion

Financial Member Chaos

Continually Sustained Growth Expectations

Preparing Church For What Is Already Here

Preparation, Not Planning

Inclusion

Transparent Governance

Unity, Not Uniformity

Chaos Systems

Inspire Your Case

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