

## Compendium of Local Church Exercises to Help us Grow in the Lord

### Recall Wall

**What:** On one side wall near the front of our sanctuary, we have installed a 'Recall Wall'. It is essentially a permanent picture frame perimeter with a wire grid interior. This wire grid has little hooks pre-attached at appropriate intervals which accommodates 12 letter sized frames to be hung on it. Every Sunday, a one-four-word summary statement is hung on a blank space on the grid wall. This summary statement reflects back on the major point of last week's message.

#### Pictures:



**Why:** The rationale behind creating the Recall Wall is to extend the impact of a previous Sunday sermon. By commencing each sermon with a paragraph or two summarizing last week's message it helps to bring back to all of our minds last week's key point. This can be particularly helpful when a multi-week series is being preached; it gives an opportunity to connect the major elements of the series all together and to keep previously presented points much fresher. If some major points from last week's sermon were forgotten at the time, they can be introduced at the start of the following week's sermon, as the document holder is being hung up on the wall.

**How:** The 'picture frame' material for our Recall Wall is made of wooden trim. This trim is available at any lumber store. The trim was cut to desired length, the corners were mitred and then the whole assembly was glued together. Another piece of trim is utilized to offer the appearance of a picture frame mat. We painted the outside frame trim the same colour as the wall behind it. By doing so, the frame looks like it has always belonged there on the wall. We painted the picture frame 'mat' a cream white colour, as you can see in the picture above. The grid wire is standard cement wire. It comes in a 4'x8' piece. Cutting excess cement wire in order to make it fit within the frame is easy with an angle grinder and a cutting disk. By utilizing commercially available clips and a stud finder, our grid was attached to the studs behind the drywall. A dozen document holders were purchased from the Dollar Store and they can easily be hung from available clips that can be crimped onto the wire grid at appropriate spacings. There are many different computer programs available to create the background and the text for the letter sized paper that goes into the document holders. We utilize Microsoft Word and employ the 'Watermark' feature if an actual picture is desired for the background. Limiting the summary statement to just a few words ensures that a large font size can be utilized – making the Recall Wall quite readable from across the sanctuary.

**Resources available:** Come and take a look at our Recall Wall or if you like, we can supply you with the dimensions and some close-up pictures.

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