

#### You can do it!

You can create all of the communication materials you need inexpensively, at your church, and by your people

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# **Foundational Question**

- Question: can we really do the communications we need to do and can we afford it?
- Answer: YOU CAN if YOU do it!
  - YOU means your church and the people in it



#### **Biblical Reasons**

- You were called to a particular location, church, audience
- No one knows your people and culture better than you
- Why spend money on things that are copies of what other people are using?



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Your source for church communications training, resources, and inspiration to help your church
fully fulfill the Great Commission.

### Stewardship reasons

- Great resources are
  free
- Small costs, big return when money spent wisely on:
  - Software
  - Training
  - \*\*\*When you train your people, your resources are kept in the church



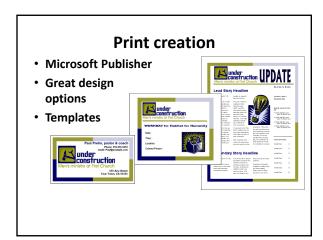
#### **People reasons**

- · Skills aren't automatic
- You equip the saints to do the work of the ministry
- Empowers your people
  - Empower staff to create
  - Empower entire church to market



# Free and inexpensive tools and training are available in:

- Print creation
- Website creation
- Free Images
- · Image editing tools
- Production tools,
- PDF, audio, video,
- · Training for all of the above
  - \*\*\*Just a tiny taste, so much more on ECC website, and coming up in webinars and training.





# So much you can do with it

- Create website headers
- Create JPG resizable graphics, logos, etc.
- Professional publications of all kinds, sizes, etc.
- How-tos on www.effectivechurchcom.com









# **Inexpensive training**

- Software training:
  - www.lynda.com
  - \$25/a month, individual, unlimited training
- · Effective church communications training
  - www.effectivechurchcom.com
  - \$9.99 a month or \$99 a year, individual, small church
  - \$19.99 a month, \$299 a year, larger churches, multi-person use
  - NO ads or affiliate marketing



### **Free Images**

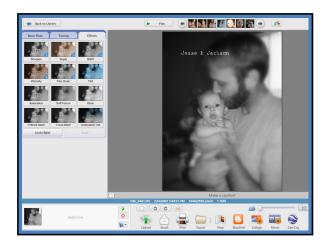
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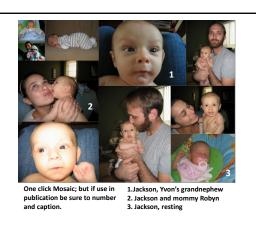












# Image editing, manipulation—Snagit www.snagit.com, \$49 • Screen grab, image editing and format conversion, low cost substitute for Photoshop filters • Free trial



#### **Print Production**

- PDF=Portable Document Format
- A great way to send files created in any program to the church office to be printed
- www.cutepdf.com FREE





# **Print Production upgrade**

- Professional, slick, glossy
- Vista Print
- www.vistaprint.com



#### **Multi-media Creation**

- Audio—Audacity
- http://audacity.sourceforge.net
  - A key to success in all: learn to do what you need to do and don't worry about the rest



Gear for streaming audio, podcasts, etc: \$29. Logitech USB headset with microphone, purchased at Target

#### Video

- Create with:
  - Webcam
  - Video Camera
  - Camtasia (expensive exception, \$299)
- Load up to:
  - www.YouTube.com
  - Lots of others
- Link to your site



# Finally, if a bit overwhelmed



Remember John Wesley's words:

Do all the good you can, By all the means you can, In all the ways you can, In all the places you can, At all the times you can, To all the people you can, As long as ever you can.

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