Every local church should have a **Systematic Discipleship Ministry**: 

1. Choose a **leader** who will be responsible for the ministry such as a discipleship ministry leader or a personal ministries leader or assistant.
2. Recruit experienced members who will serve as **mentors** to the newly baptized members. Every new member should be paired with one of these mentors.
3. Provide practical instruction on the **basics** of the Christian life—spiritual habits such as daily prayer and Bible study, consistent attendance, regular witnessing, and church ministry involvement.
4. Provide **ongoing** instruction in areas such as Bible doctrines, church life, Christian lifestyle, and evangelism.
5. **Integrate** new members into the church by helping them to meet other members, get involved in church ministries, experience worship and fellowship with different families in the church, etc..

**Inspired Insights**

“A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone who is perfectly trained will be like his teacher” (Luke 6:40).

“Especially should those who are newly come to the faith be educated to become laborers together with God” (*Christian Service*, p. 69).

“One soul, won to the truth, will be instrumental in winning others, and there will be an ever-increasing result of blessing and salvation” (*Christian Service*, p. 121).

* The **Discipleship Handbook** is a comprehensive yet simple-to-use resource that contains everything needed for a six-month, Bible-based discipleship plan for Seventh-day Adventist churches and their members. For more information, visit grow.adventist.org.

**Answers:**
1. leader
2. mentors
3. basics
4. ongoing
5. Integrate