

Church & Technology

✖ With the advent of the Internet, advanced telecommunications and satellite uplinks, technology has changed how we communicate. Most of us never would have imagined these developments would also impact how we worship. However, in recent decades, the church has entered a new era: technology.

Traditionally the church brought the people to the message; now the challenge is taking the message to the people, regardless of geographic location or status. Today technology enables the church to reach multitudes worldwide through various modes: movies, television, podcasts, satellite, streaming and social Web sites such as Facebook.

The church is using these advancements to bridge the generational gap. Although baby boomers are accustomed to human interaction, this new generation isn't. Progressive churches must use both the personal and the technical contact of the times. This generation will sit at the dinner table and text one another, even though they're sitting nearby. Because churches are beginning to utilize technology, they are now able to effectively reach younger and older generations globally.

For the church to continue reaching people, we must be willing to change with the times. The Bible says for us not to forsake the assembling of ourselves together, but who would have thought that the assembling could one day include a chat room called the sanctuary?

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