Learn to speak someone's language

Know Your Musicians

- [ ] I believe that every worship team should function as a home group – a place of worship, teaching, ministry and lots of fun. Build a relationship with your team members. Pray together and take time to hear from God. Share your heart and make room for others to share their heart. If this is the foundation of your worship team, you'll notice that band practice will become much easier as will leading worship together.

Finally

I hope you were able to check all the items in this checklist! If not, don't worry. Try to discover which item is most important for you to work on right now. Pray about it, move forward and remember this: "Most things still remain to be done. A glorious future!" (Ingvar Kamprad).



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Eleven Things You May Not Realize About Your Worship Team

1. Your team needs to be with you in settings other than rehearsal at church. Picnics and Baskin Robbins are options!
2. There's probably somebody on your team that needs to take a break from worship ministry for his/her growth as a worshiper.
3. You are a bigger influence than you probably realize. The team will pick up and emulate your attitudes and opinions of church, of its leaders, of other ministries, etc.
4. You can be a great resource to your team in helping them grow in their faith. Give them articles to read, recommend good books and make them aware of seminars and retreats.
5. Your team needs to laugh! Laughter is good medicine and draws people closer together.
6. Growth is contagious! Point out and affirm the musical and spiritual growth you see in individuals on the team. Others will hear it and some will follow suit.
7. Many on your team may be ready to teach/train others. Link up more-seasoned members with up-and-coming bass players, keyboardists, vocalists, etc.
8. You probably have a future worship leader on the team right now.
9. One or two of your team members have very good ideas on how to help take the worship ministry to the next level (but they won't share unless asked).
10. There is no substitute for care and encouragement. Be sure that your team knows that you value and appreciate them.
11. Be appropriately transparent with your team. Confess your shortcomings (they know them anyway!). It will stimulate more openness and vulnerability on the team.