

Advice for Pastor's Wives – by Pastor Max D. Younce - Revised

1. Do not correct your husband in public.
2. “See the Pastor.”
3. Keep a clean house.
4. “See the Pastor.”
5. If you need to talk with someone, go at least three states away.
6. “See the Pastor.”
7. Never counsel the men.
8. “See the Pastor.”
9. Never let another woman tell you something and ask you to promise not to tell your husband. The answer is, “NO!”
10. “See the Pastor.”
11. In church treat everyone the same, no matter what they have done to you or your husband.
12. “See the Pastor.”
13. Do not spend too much time with just one member of the church.
14. “See the Pastor.”
15. Do not try to do everything yourself.
16. “See the Pastor.”
17. Oversee the Mother/Daughter Banquet.
18. “See the Pastor.”
19. You lead the Ladies Bible Study, not another lady in the church.
20. “See the Pastor.”
21. If you have to direct the choir or be in it, do not handle the problems, let your husband handle it.
22. “See the Pastor.”

23. Do not make commitments for your husband until you check with him first.
24. “See the Pastor.”
25. One of your biggest problems to handle is when someone lies about your husband.
26. “See the Pastor.”
27. When someone leaves the church it is almost always because of some personal sin in their life and rebellion against God’s word.
28. “See the Pastor.”
29. When you get discouraged because a person leaves, look at the wonderful, faithful people God has given you and be thankful.
30. “See the Pastor.”
31. Have patience with the sincere; but, never “baby” the complainer. They will crave it the rest of their life.
32. “See the Pastor.”
33. Do not go on vacations with members of your church.
34. “See the Pastor.”
35. Always be ready to help another woman having problems with Scriptural input; BUT, always tell your husband of the situation and the advice you gave. He needs to be aware. He may be getting a different story from the husband.
36. “See the Pastor.”
37. No counseling with the mentally ill. You could get sued
38. “See the Pastor.”
39. Some that leave sometimes use the excuse, “I am not getting fed.”
 - a. You cannot feed someone who is full of self.
 - b. Usually they are not in church half of the time anyway.
 - c. They really don’t want fed with the Word of God, just fed with more attention!
 - d. The real problem is they rebel against the Word of God your husband is teaching.
 - e. Do not run after them. They left on their own and they need to come back on their own. (“What God hath removed, let no man bring back.” – Cambron)
40. “See the Pastor.”

41. Business Meetings. Do not speak out in business meetings unless you are a clerk or church secretary, etc., and have a report to give or answer questions about. If you speak to the other women (or other participants) it will make the women more bold to speak out and the meeting will get out of order. Let your husband handle it. If a pastor cannot moderate a business meeting in a church, he has no business being a pastor.