

Intentionally Intergenerational Seniors Ministry

BARRIERS

“I can’t talk to them”
Unsure how to communicate
Older gen don’t talk about religion, politics, sex
Medication
Comfortable temperature
Volume/changes in volume
Safety
Wheelchair access
“different” language
Technology too hard
Physical limitations
Font size
Seating (comfort, arms)
Bladders
Toilet facilities
No hearing loop
Selfishness, not a giver
Transport
Change
Parking
Culture
Ageism
Set in their ways
Church tradition
Routine
Time bites
Attitudes

SOLUTIONS

Connect with youth through technology needs
Transport – pick people up
Understand youth problems
Peer-to-peer
Change time with awareness of needs of seniors and young families (not too early, not nights)
Source funding – facebook market place
Model mentoring
Model prayer (young and old)
Model unselfish care and pastoral connecting
Seating – needs thought about beanbags
Include youth with decisions
The change starts with us
Mindful of others, go through facilities and identify what needs to change
Ask where does each person fit