# The STE 2024 Senior Adult Ministry Handbook Contest

Self-Help, Personal Development, Motivational, and/or Inspirational

Have you developed a ministry for Senior Adult issues? Do you facilitate a support group for Senior Adults or their caregivers? Have you written a pastoral resource book specifically directed to Senior Adult Ministries? **Enter this free contest and win a publishing contract worth \$30K.** 



### **INSTRUCTIONS**

The end result of this contest is to publish your book about ministering to Senior Adults. So, with the eventual book in mind, please address these six sections:

a. Introduction – Describe your senior adult ministry in 100 words or less.

b. Focus – Be specific: How will your book minister to senior adults?

c. Syntax -- Include the sequence of steps involved in the organization of the book. Include the major sections and the chapters, or the sequencing of steps, and describe how the book progresses.

d. Support System – What supports (equipment, foundational skills, groups, money, etc.) are required to make this ministry work? Is it linked to a specific religion or denomination? If so, to whom?

e. Application & Effects -- Each ministry attempts to evoke some change in those served and influence their thinking, spiritual beliefs, feelings, social interactions, or behavioral choices in some way so that those changes can be transferred to their lives and the lives of those around them. How can readers use what your book teaches?

f. Author Bio – What is it about your life and spiritual path which sets you apart as the best person to write this specific book?

**Format**: Word docx, Times New Roman, size 12 font, double-spaced, 5-point indent. 1-inch borders around. Heading: your name, the name of your manuscript. Footer: page number centered; date submitted on right.

Note: Please Do Not Include or Attach Your Manuscript.

## MODES OF DELIVERY

#### (Choose only one):

a. Email as attachment to FRIEND (at) ShelteringTree (dot) Earth
Subject line: 2024 CONTEST SUBMISSION
In the body:
Your name, phone number, mailing address, email address, and name of your manuscript. Include personal/professional website if appropriate (NOT Facebook, twitter, or other social media).

b. Snail mail typed entry and contact information to 2024 CONTEST c/o ShelteringTree.Earth Publishing PO Box 973 Eagle Lake, FL 33839

## SCORING

## Each of the six sections will be rated in a rubric as follows: not complete (0) off topic (1) excessive grammar, spelling, and/or mechanics errors (2)

adequate (3) good (4) excellent (5)

## for a possible total of 30 points.

Entries must score a minimum of 18 points to be considered for the prizes.

The scored rubric sheet will be available to the author if requested after Nov. 1, 2024.

#### PRIZES

#### Prizes will be based on the Rubric Scores described above

**First**: Publishing Contracts for three books over the course of 5 years, Professional Editing, Book Covers, Illustrations, book trailers, and marketing of the published books with industry-standard royalties. (**\$30,000USD value**)

**Second**: Publishing Contract for one book, Professional Editing, Book Cover, Illustrations, book trailer, and marketing of the published book with industry-standard royalties. (**\$10,000USD value**)

**Third**: Professional Editing and Book Coaching of one manuscript about pastoral resources. (**\$7,000USD value**)

In the event of tied scores on the rubric, all who earn top scores will win the first prize, all who earn the second top scores will earn the second prize, and all who earn the third top scores will earn the third prize.