

## Methods I Have Used and Loved

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Methods	Procedures	Places and Situations
The Art Form	Asking questions in order from Objective data, Reflective experiences, Interpretive value and Decisional action	Leadership in Church Study Groups, book discussions, news reports and works of art. <b>“Cup of Our Life” Retreat in MA.</b>
Charting	Selecting and naming key components of paragraphs and pages and arranging for discussion	Careful studying of books, essays, reports. Recent book: <b>The Universal Christ</b> by Richard Rohr
Lesson Planning	Deciding the Rational Objective, the Existential Aim of the Lesson and the five procedure steps: Prelude, I, II, III and Postlude	<b>Started Seekers class</b> –.studies of Progressive Christianity books, in IA and MA. ESL classes in IA. Book discussion: <b>Peace Is the Way</b> , Deepak Chopra
Problem Solving Workshops	Naming the present situation. Brainstorm the vision. Name the contradictions or blocks to vision, Reflect on ways to remove blocks. Brainstorm and decide action plan. Decide timeline and accept assignments. Simultaneously have separate committee create story, song and symbol to support and highlight vision.	Town Meetings, <b>Church ‘s New Directions in MA.</b> Training Project Set-up, house restoration and changes, garden design and budget planning
Mind Mapping	Brainstorming all data and experiences of a topic in a circle, locate related items and name	Wrote book of my memoirs- <b>Journey On</b> ; plan a day or event, make a speech, create a display, prepare a letter to the Editor
Space Preparation	Arranging chairs and tables in circular direction with art piece in center. Walls prepared with charts, pictures, quotations, and work sheets and /or white board. Materials arranged for access.	Workshops, lessons, trainings, celebrations, and presentations at church, and home. <b>Teacher Training Preschool as Director in WDC.</b>
Celebrations and Evaluations	Inviting guests. Display work completed with displays of products, reports, and victories named. Décor and prepare with treats, stories and songs. Include documents, notes of praise, and greetings sent.	Completion of work project at church and on house purchase. <b>Family Birthdays esp. observed with trips &amp; retreats.</b> <b>Celebrations</b> to honor graduations and new jobs.
Relationships	Visiting, phoning, letter writing, emailing, Zoom meetings, sending pictures and giving gifts. Sharing ideas and participation in peace, justice and environmental movements.	<b>Letters to and from daughters, in Order years held in Family Archives.</b> Activities with family, church and community, YMCA exercise groups, & senior centers.