Church Genome Project Weekly Missionary Activities

Spiritual Preparation: Prayer Walking Visitation:

This week team up and go to at least three homes: knock on the door and say, "Hello, My name is ______. "We have made a commitment to pray for the homes in this neighborhood." Then say, "How can we pray for you today...family, financial, health, or other concerns?" After they express their need, lead them in a prayer. Pray for their request and pray the gospel (thanking God for the good news of Jesus dying on the cross for our sins and rising from the dead to give us forgiveness and a new life). Leave a New Testament or a gospel presentation with them. Thank them for allowing you to pray.

Reflection: With prayer as the focus, how was God preparing the way for your visit?

Spiritual Authority: Sharing Gospel with Someone

This week, as you are going about your normal activities, ask the Lord to give you a divine appointment to share Christ with someone. With all the spiritual authority vested in you by God, ask the person about their eternal destiny. Use your own words and do so with love. Share your testimony. Then be prepared for that person to respond and have a gospel presentation ready to share (Romans Road, Eternal Life, and Three Circles etc.). Finally, leave the results to the Holy Spirit as you share Jesus.

Reflection: With knowing that you have spiritual authority, how did it make a difference in your confidence to share Jesus?

Spiritual Understanding: People Group Discovery

This week, make plans to visit either an ethnic grocery store or an authentic ethnic restaurant. Kindly ask for permission to do a little survey with four questions for a class that you are taking. These are the four questions: 1.What is your name? 2. What is your cultural background? 3. What is your religious background? 4. How many (their ethnic group) people live in our city? Thank them for taking the time to answer.

Reflection: Are there any new spiritual understandings or discoveries about a people group in need of the gospel in your city?

Spiritual Leadership: Identify Potential Leaders

This week ask God to lead you to affirm a person for their leadership efforts in serving. Look for the unlikely leader, perhaps someone who serves in a behind-the-scenes role. Write down two or three things that you observe in this person that demonstrates their current or potential leadership. Call them or send a note encouraging them. In your prayer time, ask God to reveal His will to that person developing them into an effective spiritual leader.

Reflection: What was it about the person that had made you see them as a potential leader?

Spiritual Synergy: Power of Team Formation

This week enlist two other people from your church to form a team to go on a mission service project (for example in a food pantry, a homeless shelter, etc.). As a team, ask God to direct you to the project. Once you have determined place and project, make assignments based on giftedness. Allow all the team to share their ideas and input. Head out the door and go get the job done for God's glory.

Reflection: What did you learn about team formation and spiritual synergy?

Spiritual Receptivity: Discover a Person of Peace and Their Network

This week take some time to meet an unreached person in your community who you have been praying for. Share with them what you have learned about networks of relationships. Explore with them who is in their relational network. Ask questions about their networks and be sure to thank them for helping you learn. (Remember these areas: Family, Friends, Neighbors, and Associates)

Reflection: What did you discover about this person's spiritual receptivity and their relational network?

Spiritual Sowing: Scripture Distribution

This week plan to go either to a neighbor, a waitress, or even a stranger with a small New Testament in hand to give as a gift. Pray before, during, and after your encounter with this person. Believe the promise, "His word will not go forth void but will accomplish His purpose" (Isaiah 55:8). Thank God for the privilege to sow the gospel through Bible distribution.

Reflection: How did it feel to sow the gospel through giving a Bible?

Spiritual Bridges: A Stirred Heart and Crossing Cultures

Plan to go to a mall or a department store this week. Walk around with an eye to observe the idols of our culture. Focus on one that stirs your heart and think about how you might engage a person who worships this idol. Consider what may be their spiritual bridge. If God gives the opportunity, find someone to engage from that culture using your bridge.

Reflection: What did God do in your heart as you observed the idols?

Spiritual Giftedness: Open Your Home--Hospitality

Invite an unreached neighbor into your home for a meal or just for coffee and a dessert this week. Talk to them about their interests and giftedness. Be a good listener and a good host. Be sure to pray with them.

Reflection: How receptive was the neighbor as they met in your home?

Spiritual Warfare: Identify and Pray Against a Stronghold

This week identify a spiritual stronghold—a liquor store, palm reader etc. Pray against it; ask God to do a mighty work of deliverance for those influenced by the stronghold. Listen to what God may be saying about His using you to combat the darkness. Ask God to start a new church that pushes back the darkness of the stronghold through the gospel.

Reflection: Did you sense spiritual resistance as you prayed?