

IDENTIFY

Who are the four people in your sphere of influence (where you live, work or play) who need Christ and live within driving distance of Grace.

INTERCEDE

Pray for them every day asking Christ to save them

Pray for opportunities to invest in relationship with them and to have insight into how to meet their needs or to show acts of kindness.

Fast and pray for them (one meal a day, once a week, as often as you need

Where will I pray _____

When will I pray _____

INVEST

Begin to build on your relationship with them by spending time with them.

What are some ways you can invest in building a relationship with them or in meeting a need

INVITE

Will you lead them to Christ personally? What is your plan?

Will you invite them to church where the gospel is presented? When? What will that invitation look like?

“Christ demonstrated His own love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us.”
Romans 5:8



INVEST

Bring Someone With You Part 3

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A strategy for reaching people for Jesus Christ . . .

IDENTIFY . . .

. . . four people in your sphere of influence who do not have a relationship with Christ, who live within driving distance of our church.

INTERCEDE . . .

... for them for the next 30 days

INVEST . . .

. . . in them by building a relationship with them and/or by meeting a need in their lives

INVITE . . .

. . . them to Christ to or to church where the gospel is clearly presented.

A 30-60-90 strategy

First 30 Days

Identify and Intercede

Second 30 days

Invest

Third 30 Days

Invite

Series Theme Verse

“Whatever a person is like, I try to find common ground with him so that he will let me tell him about Christ and let Christ save him.

I do this to get the Gospel to them and also for the blessing I myself receive when I see them come to Christ. “

- 1 Corinthians 9:22-23 LB

**INVEST in building a _____
with them.**

“He entered Jericho and was passing through. ² And there was a man called by the name of Zaccheus; he was a chief tax collector and he was rich. ³ Zaccheus was trying to see who Jesus was, and was unable because of the crowd, for he was small in stature. ⁴ So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree in order to see Him, for He was about to pass through that way. ⁵ When Jesus came to the place, He looked up and said to him, “Zaccheus, hurry and come down, for today I must stay at your house.” ⁶ And he hurried and came down and received Him gladly. ⁷ When they saw it, they all began to grumble, saying, “He has gone to be the guest of a man who is a sinner.” ⁸ Zaccheus stopped and said to the Lord, “Behold, Lord, half of my possessions I will give to the poor, and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will give back four times as much.” ⁹ And Jesus said to him, “Today salvation has come to this house, because he, too, is a son of Abraham. ¹⁰ For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost.”

Luke 19:1-10 NAS

Paul gives another example

“We loved you so much that we shared with you not only God's Good News but our own lives, too”

1 Thessalonians 2:8 NLT

“The gospel is incarnational.” St. Francis

How can build a relationship with those whom I have identified that need a relationship with Christ.

INVEST in meeting a _____

Acts of kindness opens people's hearts to the gospel

“Let your light shine . . . that they may see your good works and glorify your father in heaven.”

Matthew 5:16

“Try to help those who argue against you. Be merciful to those who doubt. ²³ Save some by snatching them as from the very flames of hell itself. And as for others, **help them to find the Lord by being kind to them**, but be careful that you yourselves aren't pulled along into their sins. Hate every trace of their sin while being merciful to them as sinners.”

Jude 1:22,23

General William Booth founded the Salvation Army on the principle,
“A man cannot hear you if his stomach is empty. Feed him, and he will listen.”

“Meeting people's needs without also sharing the way to eternal life with them is simply delaying the suffering.”

– Pastor Tommy Barnett

Life situations/events when people are more open to the gospel . . .

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| Death of a spouse | Divorce | Marital Separation |
| Jail Term | Severe injury or illness | Marriage |
| Job Loss | Marital problems | Retirement |
| Pregnancy | New baby | Financial stress |
| Bankruptcy | Mortgage Foreclosure | Death of a friend |
| Empty nest | Employment difficulties | Change in work hours |
| Christmas | Easter | |

Circle any above that currently or recently occurred in the lives of those whom you have identified that need Christ.

How can you meet their need?