

HOW TO BE MISSIONAL

(Accepting the call to reach your mission field)

We want you to be on mission! A leader engaged in being missional is a leader with their eyes open, who values people in their community and neighborhoods, and helps break down the barriers to building bridges that connect people to a passionate life in Christ. A leader is also a person who has a passion to live for Christ, who is fully committed to discipleship.

BEING MISSIONAL

• Get to Know Your Neighbor

Many times we can live right next to someone and never get to know them. This is the time to “invest and invite”, invest in their life – get to know them, ask questions, learn their names, job, kid’s names, take them cookies, bake a cake, especially if they just moved in. Then invite when the time is right!

• Cookout

Everyone loves a cookout! Start your first meeting off with a cookout and invite the neighbors, do your best to provide all the food for the first meeting. Let your friends who attend FFC and are already in your group know that neighbors will be attending and you plan to keep things low key - not very churchy. We want to build bridges to the unchurched. Share with your neighbors – “I have some ‘neighbors’ coming over for a cookout and we wanted to invite you”

• Parking

Parking could be a problem at your home, so let your neighbors know that there will be extra cars parking in front of the house each week due to your Bible study and simply say “and you are invited too, each Thursday night at 7”...this is a great way to share a non-threatening or casual invitation.

• Block Party

Invite your neighbors about 3 – 4 weeks in advance to attend a Block Party in your neighborhood on a Saturday night early evening - you decide when and where. Gather your members in your group and encourage all of them to bring food and build relationships with those who attend. Have games and fun competitions; in conclusion make an announcement that you are having a Bible study at you home (times) and your all are invited (another low key invitation).

• OTHER SUGGESTIONS

⇒ Christmas party, Halloween party and hand out candy, Thanksgiving Dinner, Movie night on the lawn

⇒ Etc.

“Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into His harvest field.”