

NEW LIFE COMMUNITY CHURCH
NEW MEMBER CLASS SESSION #4
EVANGELISM

Evangelism involves genuine love and obedience to God that move us to passionately seek and disciple the lost. Evangelism should not be a gimmick, program, or activity that we do on special occasions or when it is convenient. On the contrary, it should be a part of a believer's everyday experience; a way of life. Like breathing, it should come naturally.

I. Why should we evangelize?

A. _____ to God. Jesus commands his disciples to make other disciples.
(Matt. 28:19)

B. _____ for the Lost.

1. God's love for the lost was displayed. (Jn. 3:16)

2. We are commanded to love the lost. (Mk. 12:31)

If we are to love our neighbor as ourselves, we should love them as we have been loved, which at the very least means sharing the gospel with them.

C. _____ for God (Jn. 21:15-17)

II. Where should we evangelize?

A. We should start _____.

“...and He said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ would suffer and rise again from the dead the third day, and that repentance for forgiveness of sins would be proclaimed in His name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem.” (Lk. 24:46-47, NASB)

B. We should include a _____.

“And He said to them, “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation.” (Mk. 16:15, NASB)

Examples: Participating in jail or nursing home ministries.

III. How should we evangelize?

- A. We should _____.

It is only by spending time with God that you can accurately represent how good the good news really is. Pray for opportunities to witness and that God would direct you in what to say.

- B. We should share our own personal _____.

How did you come to know Jesus?

How has your life changed as a result of trusting Jesus as Lord and Savior?

What principles of God's word helped you through tough situations?

How does God help you in day to day life?

- C. Witness by your life.

"... let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven." (Matt. 5:16, NASB)

Exhibit _____ over sin and bad habits.

Live in _____ from bondage.

- D. We should use _____ and other tools such as _____ to help us.

Bible Tracts are simple to use and are a great starting point for conversation.

Mobile/Web Resources: Share Faith App

<http://theromanroad.org/>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GhVldzsGEck> - evangecube

- E. We should _____.

Meet people and get to know them. Listen to their interests and their needs.

The acronym **FIRE** is a useful tool to remember in opening a conversation and proceeding to evangelize:

Family

Interests

Religion

Evangelism

F. We should know the _____ (basics) of salvation.

1. A - _____ you are a sinner. (Rom. 3:9-12, 23; 5:8; 6:23)

_____ for God's Forgiveness. (Rom. 10:13)

2. B - _____ in Jesus; that He died on the Cross and rose again. His blood was shed to pay for your sins. (Jn. 3:16; see also Jn. 5:24 and Jn. 14:6)

_____ a child of God by receiving Christ. (Jn. 1:12)

3. C - _____ that Jesus is your Lord. (Rom. 10:9)

IV. Types of Evangelism (from Kelli Mahoney's *Types of Evangelism*)

A. The _____ Evangelist (Matt:16:15)

B. The _____ Evangelist (Acts 17:16-31)

C. The _____ Evangelist (Jn. 9:1-41)

D. The _____ Evangelist (Matt. 15:1-39)

E. The _____ Evangelist (Lk. 5:1-32)

F. The _____ Evangelist (Acts 9:31-43)

V. Follow Up: Discipleship

Discipleship involves intentional and personal relationships that produce spiritual growth and maturity in God. As partners in growth, we are to help Christians understand that God wants them to grow spiritually. We have the responsibility to help make that happen in at least five different areas.

1. Bible Reading

2. Prayer/Quiet Time

3. Worship

4. Fellowship

5. Witnessing