

STREET TIPS

Identify where the most people are at any given time where soul-winners can be sent.

GENERAL PREPARATIONS:

Have materials prepared ahead of time for those who will be evangelizing. The G.A.T. uses individual small bags for this purpose. Suggested materials to include in each bag are as follows: Gospel Soul Winning Script (multiple languages, if needed), Keep Me On Your Prayer List Card (Commitment Card), Individual Survey & Poll forms (multiple languages, if needed), Individual Stat Card, a pencil, and Church Invites (handbills or business cards advertising your local church).

Please note: Suggested information for the Church Invites is as follows: Name of church, address, phone, website, service times, map and / or directions, language(s) that the services are being preached in, First Time Visitor gift mentioned (CD, Bible, beverage), Youth / Children's Church.

Have folders prepared for each Team Leader to take their team to. Suggested items in each folder are as follows: directions and a map to the area that the group will be evangelizing with back up 'fishing holes,' a Team Leader Stat Card, and a contact phone number for the Team Leader to report the stats to and / or to reach someone in case of an emergency.

- In advance, we identify busy places to go to that are ideal for soul-winning.
- We identify the most ideal times for those locations. Timing can make a big difference.

Following is a list of hot spots ideas:

1. Apartments where people are home during the day.
2. Malls
3. Grocery stores - find out what other large stores are in your area. Wal-Mart is a good example.
4. Downtown area/Courthouse - Where is the main downtown area of the city? Usually, it's near the courthouse. Downtown is one of the key spots in almost every city that we go to, especially in the bigger metropolitan areas of 1 million or more people. Downtown areas are typically best Monday through Friday during the day.
5. Schools - We have had success on college campuses asking the students to fill out the Individual Survey & Polls. Also, map out the fraternity and sorority housing. Find out when they meet and ask them if you can say a prayer for everyone. Review the campus map. Are there campus ministries that would help get us on campus? Ask coaches if you can say a prayer of blessing for their teams--just say the gospel script within the prayer and give them an opportunity to accept Jesus at the end. Also we've had success at high schools praying for teams.
6. Train, subway, or city bus stations - What times are the most people there? Identify the arriving and departing times. If there are multiple locations, which ones are the largest and busiest? Ask the bus drivers if you can say a prayer of blessing for everyone on the bus, pray the script within the prayer, be loud, and then give them an opportunity for salvation. We've seen thousands of people get saved in buses across the United States.

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7. Homeless shelters - What times are the people there for meals? How many people do they feed? Are there any other locations affiliated with each one?

8. Events - Can we open the event with a prayer or song? What time is the event? What is the expected attendance? If it's a week long event, is attendance the same every day? Is there a parking fee or entrance fee? Review the local newspaper a week before to see upcoming events. What is the website that local people use to find out what's going on? Also, look out for seasonal events, parades, and toy giveaways.

9. Flea markets - How many people in attendance?

Here are some pointers:

- Always have one or two nearby backup spots for each area that you send teams. Also, just in case it rains, have indoor places that the teams can go. Check the weather report.
- Get all the team leaders' cell phone numbers and have good communication with them. Ask them to call you at 1pm, 3pm, and at 6pm. Always have a pulse of what's happening on the streets with each team.
- Be safe. Go two by two; no one goes inside houses. If someone goes off by themselves, then it delays the whole team as they are looking for them. Split the teams up in groups of two; make each person accountable to the other person. The teams need to keep track of one another. Be sensitive to the Holy Ghost in every decision you make. If you don't feel a peace with staying at a certain spot, then leave immediately. We need to protect the team, and God will give you wisdom on how to keep them safe.
- Make sure your team drinks plenty of water, has enough to eat, and uses sun block.
- Do not lay hands on kids, but do lay hands on the sick, always with their permission.
- If your team is not getting a huge harvest where you're at, go to a different spot.
- Review the team leader stat sheets and individual stat cards every day. If you have low numbers of people getting saved, take a look at how many people the teams spoke with that day. You might have to change your strategy and send the team to different spots tomorrow. If a team member is speaking to 30 people in a day and only two get saved, there is a problem. He might not be using the Gospel Soul Winning Script. Get feedback everyday from the team leaders and train them accordingly. Have team leader meetings in the morning before soul-winning and address any issues that come up.
- Draw a one-mile radius around your church and then knock on every door. When we did it for our church, we knocked on most doors at night or on a Saturday. We gave the soul-winners a portion of the map and they would highlight whatever streets they covered. Then, we would turn around and highlight the main map to keep track of the progress. Saturdays are great days for soul-winning door to door because more people will be home.