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ASI DVD Lay Evangelism
Workbook

Introduction

In the year 2000 ASI began the development of the *New Beginnings* DVD evangelism tool. Since that time thousands have used this simple, easy to use set of sermons. Hundreds of thousands have been baptized!

The impact has been phenomenal. Not only have many come to know Jesus for the first time, but many church members have also found a new vigor in their personal lives as they've experienced the joys of soulwinning!

While thousands of the *New Beginnings* DVD has been sold, and the product has been adapted and translated for use around the globe, ASI senses that there is still more that can be done with this resource!

The idea is simple: Engage laity to use the tool in as efficient a model as possible. Bypass the expenses of LCD projectors and hall rental. Inspire members to hold cottage-style small-group meetings in their homes. Give them a DVD and a player and let them use their own TV (or borrow one!). Encourage them to form teams that will involve even more members in the process. Have each member involved in the team be responsible for bringing at least two visitors.

To make this possible, ASI is providing funding for the DVD players and *New Beginnings* DVD discs. You, ASI leaders, will be helping provide the training for these lay church members around the world.

The *Tell the World* initiative of the General Conference aims to have five million church members personally win at least one soul to Jesus during this quinquennium. Alongside ASI the General Conference will be providing additional funds to provide even more discs and players. Imagine what could take place if five million church members around the globe were active in evangelism!

Each training event will be held in cooperation with and under the auspices of the local Conference or Union. While pastors and administrators will be involved in these training events, they will be serving as facilitators, partners with ASI and the General Conference in equipping the lay members of their field.

Thank you for being a part of this exciting initiative.

Evangelism God's Way

Union of Pastors and Laity

TAKE AWAY:

- Where the church is growing around the world, lay people are actively involved.
- Lay people are making a dramatic difference in the advancement of God's kingdom.
- Church members are giving their time, using their gifts and actively witnessing for their Lord.
- Lay people are the front-line ministers. They don't just minister in church. They minister in factories, offices, schools, schools, hospitals, clinics, neighborhoods, and health clubs.

Jesus call to service: "Go _____, and teach all nations, baptizing _____". Matthew 28:19-20

HOW THE WORK OF THE GREAT GOSPEL COMMISSION CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED?

"This can best be done by _____, by bringing the truth into their houses, praying with them, and opening to them the Scriptures."

Review and Herald, December 8, 1885

"It is the privilege of _____ not only to look for but to hasten the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Christ's Object Lessons, page 69

"Long has God waited for the _____ to take possession of the whole church, so that every one shall be working for Him according to his ability."

Acts of the Apostles, page 111

"Our work has been marked out for us by our Heavenly Father. We are to _____ We are to be God's helping hands in saving souls – channels through which His love is day-by-day to flow to the perishing."

Testimonies, Volume 9, page 150

Notes:

The Power of the Holy Spirit and Intercessory Prayer

TAKE AWAY:

- Effective soul-winners need to be connected to the source of all power – the Holy Spirit.
- Four reasons to pray for souls:
 1. Prayer enables God to speak to us about sins in our lives
 2. Prayer deepen our desire concerning the thing we are praying
 3. Prayer puts us in touch with divine wisdom
 4. Prayer enable God to work more powerfully

Steps to prepare our hearts to receive the Holy Spirit:

1. What is the first condition for receiving the gift of the Holy Spirit? Luke 11:13 _____
2. After we ask for the Holy Spirit what is the next essential step? Mark 11:24 _____
3. What is the third step in receiving the gift of the Holy Spirit? Acts 3:19 _____
4. What will be the result of taking these first three steps? Acts 1:8 _____
5. What are the two essential ingredients in soul-winning? 1 John 5:14-16 _____

Science of prayer:

1. What did David pray for in Psalm 51:10-12? _____
2. What does David declare will be the result of a renewed experience with Jesus? Psalm 51:13 _____
3. What did Jesus pray for in Gethsemane? Matthew 26:39 _____
4. What does James promise to those who need wisdom? James 1:5 _____
5. What does God promise those who seek Him in intercession? Daniel 10:12, James 5:16 _____

Notes:

How to Get an Audience

TAKE AWAY:

- Invite people personally. For this there is no substitute.
- Do emphasize the value of the program.
- Pray for people you have invited to the meetings.
- Concentrate on getting people out the opening night. (80% of the people baptized have attended the opening night)
- Advertising doesn't have to be expensive. Be creative!

Personal Invitation:

1. What is the main reason why we don't invite people? _____
2. Common mistakes doing personal invitations _____
3. Who should you invite? _____

Advertising:

1. What are the most common medium of communication? _____
2. What is the information that we need to make sure our advertising has? _____

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Organizing Your Meetings

TAKE AWAY:

- In many countries home-style meetings are today very successful.
- In a home-style meeting, organization doesn't have to be complicated.
- If you are looking for a venue other than a home, make sure is a "neutral" site.
- Have a great opening night.
- It is suggested that you hold your meetings five nights per week.

Meeting Location:

1. Factors to consider when selecting a meeting site _____
2. What are the benefits of having a home-style meeting? _____
3. Questions to answer if you want to hold meetings in a Church _____
4. Questions to answer if you want to hold meetings in a Hall _____

Meeting Logistics:

1. What are the four core members on your team in a home-style meeting? _____
2. What are the critical roles to be considered when having a church-style meeting _____

Notes:

Elements of Effective Appeals

TAKE AWAY:

- Evangelism is introducing people to Jesus Christ, and inviting them to accept Him as Savior.
- You want people to carry away a decision about the subject and the appeal.

What are the four basic appeals?

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| 1. | _____ | Romans 5:6-8 |
| 2. | _____ | Romans 14:7 |
| 3. | _____ | Matthew 7:13,14 |
| 4. | _____ | Matthew 25:10 2 Cor. 6:2 |

Notes:

Getting Decisions

TAKE AWAY:

- Decisions stem out of the interplay of knowledge, conviction and desire in a person's mind.
- It is best to work on the principle of progressive decisions. (Make appeals every night)
- People rarely make a huge leap to accept the total body of God's truth all at once. They accept it a step at a time.
- Expect decisions every time you preach.

What are the four levels of decisions?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

What are the three major inhibiting factors that hinder people from making a full decision for Christ?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Notes:

The Science of Effective Visitations

TAKE AWAY:

- Every individual attending the evangelistic meetings needs personal contact.
- Personal visitation is an effective mean to get decisions.
- Objective of the first visit is to “melt the ice”.
- Objective of the second visit is to get acquainted and determine the degree of interest.
- Objective of subsequent visits is to answer questions and objections and welcome a decision if the person is ready.

Recommendations for the first visit:

Recommendations for the second visit:

Recommendations for subsequent visit:

Notes:
