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# GLOBAL OUTREACH DAY

EVERY SATURDAY AFTER PENTECOST

The vision of the Global Outreach Day is to proclaim in unity the Gospel of Jesus Christ across the world on one day.

## **EVERYONE CAN REACH SOMEONE AND TOGETHER WE WILL REACH THE WORLD!**

On the first Global Outreach Day more than 8 million Christians worldwide were involved, and were able to share the Gospel with around 25 million people. We've heard of at least 3 million decisions to follow Jesus. This is just the beginning. A great number of churches and organizations are working together to make this day such a success.

- A woman in Australia was sitting in an airplane on that day and so couldn't take part in any of the G.O.D. activities. Instead, she led the person sitting next to her to Jesus.
- A 19 year-old man mobilized Christians in over 300 Brazilian cities.
- A red-light district was reached with the Gospel and no longer exists.
- In Mongolia, a woman was healed after having been in a coma for 5 months. Three of the doctors then gave their lives to Christ.
- There were outreaches in schools, hospitals, prisons, shopping malls and on the streets.

**Pentecost:** We think about the reason for the coming of the Holy Spirit and will make ourselves available for God to use us as witnesses for Him.

*But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.*

*Acts 1:8*

### **Global Outreach Day - every Year - Saturday after Pentecost**

Everyone will be active in sharing the Gospel!

The G.O.D challenges every believer to share the Gospel on this day.

**A witness who refuses to testify in court is obviously an enemy of the one he is representing. Are you His witness?**

*A. Adeboye*

### PREPARATION FOR THE GLOBAL OUTREACH DAY

The Gospel of Jesus Christ is the best message in the world and the only way unto salvation. That makes it necessary for us to bring Jesus to the people. The core message of the Gospel is Jesus' substitutionary death on the cross and His resurrection from the dead.

*Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.*

*Acts 4:12*

# STEP ONE: KNOW THE MESSAGE

As ambassadors of Christ, we have to know the four-step message – 1. **God’s Plan** 2. **The Problem** 3. **God’s Love** 4. **The Decision**.

## 1. GOD'S PLAN

God created man with a wonderful plan in mind: to live in fellowship with Him. At the time of creation, everything in the world was in order. There was no war, no injustice, no sickness, and no sin. Man lived in harmony with his Creator in paradise. This was God’s Plan for us.

*God saw every thing that He had made, and, behold, it was very good.*

*Genesis 1:31*

## 2. THE PROBLEM

Man separated himself from his Creator and decided to go his own way. Today we see the consequences of that decision: instead of living in peace and harmony with each other, we live in hatred, jealousy, sickness, and war. But more frightening than all of these tragedies is our eternal separation from God. Jesus made it clear that mankind could never bridge the gap to God – we can never live up to God’s requirements, and that’s why we’re in such a dilemma.

*As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one: For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;*

*Romans 3:10, 23*

### 3. GOD'S LOVE

God is just and holy, and yet He loves you eternally. That's why He took the punishment that judgment would rightly bring on every individual and laid it on His own Son. Jesus paid for your sin on the cross.

*For God so loved the world, that he gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.*

*John 3:16*

### 4. THE MOST IMPORTANT DECISION

Jesus rose from the dead! He is alive and is waiting for your response. You cannot get to God by performing good deeds, meditating or even going to church – there is only one way to God: turn to Jesus and accept what He did for you, ask Him for forgiveness and follow Him.

*But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God.*

*John 1:12*

*That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.*

*Romans 10:9*

## STEP TWO: COMMUNICATE THE MESSAGE

The message can only save a person if they understand what you are saying.

### 1. FIND A PERSON TO SPEAK WITH.

We should pray and ask God to lead us to someone, or someone to us. Then we should be looking for opportunities to speak with people. First of all, it is important to get the person's attention. Without that, you will only be wasting your words and energy. Sometimes getting a person's attention requires courage and creativity.

In order to communicate effectively with somebody, you need to establish trust by asking the right questions. Try starting with normal, everyday questions. Ask about their pet or about their opinion on a current news event. That will help you find out where a person stands and you will be able to connect with them more effectively.

A good way to begin is by handing the person with whom you wish to speak a Gospel tract to read. Then get more personal. Don't start out right away with Jesus. Ask "What do you think about God?" or "What does God mean for you personally?" Don't worry about getting a negative response. Sometimes you will, because God has given us all free will. Just relax! You can lead a horse to water, but you can't force it to drink. In addition to asking good and interesting questions, you can attract attention with the following:

- **a kind deed**
- **a small gift**
- .....

Keep a list of ideas about how you can attract a stranger's attention. Prepare your strategy by considering their locality and their specific situation. Different situations require different procedures.

## 2. CREATE INTEREST AND FIND OUT WHAT THEY ARE THINKING

Once you have a person's attention, the next step is to arouse their interest. By asking the right questions such as "Have you eternal life?" "Have you been born again?" "Do you know how you can have your sins forgiven?" or you ask a person directly "What do you believe?" by asking questions, you are leading the conversation and can eventually lead the person to Jesus.

However, you won't stimulate interest by talking non-stop. God gave you one mouth and two ears. That means you should listen twice as much as you talk. Interest becomes evident when a person begins to open their heart and share their story. During that time, be quiet, listen, and pray silently for the right response.

## 3. LEAD THE PERSON TO ACCEPT CHRIST

If a fisherman wants to be successful, he throws out ground bait to attract the fish before he uses the real bait. If we've spent time finding out about the person we're speaking to, then we know what they need and what direction to lead the conversation. We need to realize that a person without Jesus lacks the most important thing in life. We, therefore, must lead the person as directly as we can to accept Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour, and to surrender to Him as their Lord and Master. If you feel it's appropriate, share some of your own story. You could even offer to pray for some specific need the person has.

Be sensitive to the signals they are sending. This can be done by watching a person's face and by observing their tone and manner which can often tell us more than their words. To get a message across effectively, remember the rule: "Don't tell, ask!" For instance: "Jesus Christ died on the cross for you. Do you know why He did that?" Stimulate a desire in their heart to say: "I want that!"



## STEP THREE: GET A RESPONSE TO THE MESSAGE

### 1. ASK FOR THEIR DECISION

Now we come to the phase where your action requires a response. Don't be afraid of this step! Simply ask: "Do you want to get right with God now?"

*Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God.*

*2. Corinthians 5:20*

At the end of a conversation there should always be a response. Challenge the person you're talking with to make a decision. Many Christians are often much too hesitant at this point. If the person you are dealing with means what they say, they will make a decision.

Explain the requirements and then extend a clear invitation to follow Jesus:

**1. Do you believe that Jesus died on the cross for your sins? – "Yes"**

**2. Do you believe that Jesus rose again from the dead? – "Yes"**

**3. Do you wish to receive Jesus into your life and ask Him for forgiveness now? – "Yes"**

Don't hesitate to pray with the person. Everything has been said. We don't want to force or manipulate people, but after all, we are not talking about joining some sort of club – this is a matter of life or death!

## 2. ASK THEM TO PRAY

Now you ask the other person to pray a prayer out loud but they may feel that they do not know what to say so you can suggest they pray after you. Ask them to close their eyes and start praying loudly and clearly like this:

*Jesus, I believe you are the Son of God. I believe that you died for my sins. Please forgive me and come into my life. I believe that you rose from the dead and are alive today. I accept you as my Lord and Saviour. I will follow you for the rest of my life. Amen.*

## 3. SHOW THEM FROM GOD'S WORD WHAT THEY HAVE DONE

Having led the person to accept Christ, the next step will be to show them from God's Word that they have forgiveness of sins and eternal life. Acts 10:43, 13:39, John 3:36, 5:24 are suitable verses. Prayer, follow-up and fellowship are also important, but right now we're talking about the first few minutes after a person has accepted Christ. Make sure they realize what this decision means.

Finally, you need to exchange contact details and arrange to meet again within the next 72 hours. Explain to the new believer some important points:

- *Show them the need of telling others that they have received Christ as Saviour. Romans 10:9-10 and Matthew 10:32.*

- *The Bible is the Word of God. Read the Bible every day. Psalm 119:11 and 1 Peter 2:2. One of the most frequent causes of failure in the Christian life is the neglect of the Word of God. One can no more thrive spiritually without regular spiritual food than he can thrive physically without regular and proper physical nourishment.*

- *Prayer - Talk to God every day. 1 Thessalonians 5:17 and Isaiah 40:31.*
- *Go to Church services where you will meet other Christians, and find their friendship and help in your new life.*
- *Surrender your will absolutely to God, and obey him in all things. Acts 5:32. God gives His Holy Spirit to them that obey Him, or surrender their will absolutely to Him.*

## ACTION STEPS

**Everyone can reach someone!** There are unlimited possibilities to reach people on this day.

**One on One** – invite someone over for a cup of coffee and tell them about Jesus.

**Two by Two** – Meet in your church and split up into small teams. Then go two by two to reach the people where they are – on the streets, in the market places, in hospitals, etc.

**Care and Share** – do something good for someone and then share the Good News with them.

**Reach your area** - make a plan to reach a certain area by going from door to door, from house to house and think of ways to reach them with the Gospel.

**Ideas from A - Z** -You can organize an Open Air meeting, go into a prison, a market or an orphanage to share the Gospel. There are so many ways to reach people.

Find or post more ideas under [www.globaloutreachday.com](http://www.globaloutreachday.com)

This day can change the whole world and God will use you to be a blessing to your neighbour and your nation.

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The first worldwide day of evangelism (the Global Outreach Day) took place with over eight million participating Christians sharing the Gospel.

The **GLOBAL OUTREACH DAY** challenges Christians to get out and become active in spreading the Gospel message. Everyone can be a part of it. You don't need money. All you need is a willingness to go. And everyone can do it in their own way.