

Wednesday Night
Evangelism / Soulwinning / Outreach
5th July 2018

Objectives

- Every church member will know why we do evangelism / soulwinning / outreach?
- Each church member will take personal responsibility for evangelism in obedience to God and His word

Reasons why we go soulwinning, tracting, do evangelism?

1. It Is The Great Commission For The Local Church

Matt 28:18 / Mark 16:15 / Luke 24:44 / John 20:21 / Acts 1:8

Matt 28:18 – 20 And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. / Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: / Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

- The Lord Jesus has been given all authority in this Universe. The authority to appoint, remove, enforce, discipline, and command. Matt 28:18
- He has given His Commission to the local church to “Go ye ... ” Ye is plural referring to the apostles who are the foundations of the local church Eph 2:20
- The commission is to :
 - o GO
 - o BAPTISE
 - o TEACH THE BELIEVERS EVERYTHING THE LORD JESUS HAS TAUGHT THEM
- This Commission is non-negotiable
- This is the marching of the local church
- The different ways of outreach we do in Ambassador Baptist Church include tracting, uKnighed, youth fellowship, Sunday services, through the website, Vacation Bible School

2. Christ’s Plan For The Church Is To Storm The Gates Of Hell

Matthew 16:18-19 And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

- The gates of hell symbolised there during the time of Jesus was the place of Caesarea Philippi. It is the place of the worship of the god of the underworld – where the gates of hell was. Caesarea Philippi is a place of gross immorality and idolatry.
- the Lord Jesus was building His church in a sinful culture in order to rescue people who are enslaved within the “gates of hell”!

- Plundering hell to populate Heaven
- our task is to go into our culture to win the lost whether they are gangsters, people who are from broken families, who have been affected by life, sin and brokenness, and then build the assembly of Christ to win them
- as a church we must be ready to work with these people and the lost

3. It Is The Pattern Of The Early Church

Acts 8:4 Therefore they that were scattered abroad went every where preaching the word.

- they were scattered abroad because of persecution but they were not concerned for their lives but they went everywhere preaching the word of God

4. It Is The Pattern Of Christ Matt 10: 5 / Luke 10:1

Luke 10:1 After these things the Lord appointed other seventy also, and sent them two and two before his face into every city and place, whither he himself would come.

- I was asked one time where in the bible was there tracting?
- I pointed to this passage:

Luke 10:1 After these things the Lord appointed other seventy also, and sent them two and two before his face into every city and place, whither he himself would come

- The Lord Jesus sent the people to go in twos to tell the good news of the gospel
- It was not just the disciples

5. It Is Because Souls Are Dying In Sin And Going To Hell Rev 20:11 – 15

Revelation 20:15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

- I was teaching at a children's centre one time in their chapel
- I was teaching them on heaven and I told them that God wanted all of them in Heaven and to have their sins forgiven
- and then I told them "Revelation 21:27 And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: **but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life.**" And so I asked them a personal question: how many of you are sure that your name is in the book of life? Out of the 30 of the children, none of them was sure. That broke my heart. How to reach these precious children?
- I will tell them about the truth of Christ in Chapel and they go home and their parents tell them differently
- and they will die and go to hell
- that is why we need to do soul winning and tracting and by all means save some

6. God's commission for us as a church is to Go

Matt 28:18 / Mark 1:38 / Mark 16:15 / Luke 14:23 / Psalm 126:6

Matthew 28:19 **GO** ye therefore,

Mark 1:38 And he said unto them, Let us **GO** into the next towns, that I may preach there also: for therefore came I forth.

Mark 16:15 And he said unto them, **GO** ye into all the world,

Luke 14:23 And the lord said unto the servant, **GO** out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled.

Psalms 126:6 He that **GOETH** forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him.

To not go is to go against God's instruction to go

7. Because The Gospel Is Entrusted To Us

1 Corinthians 9:16 For though I preach the gospel, I have nothing to glory of: for necessity is laid upon me; yea, woe is unto me, if I preach not the gospel!

- Paul preaching of the gospel is nothing to glory about but it was something that Paul feels a strong responsibility to declare the gospel and he declares himself cursed if he does not preach the gospel

8. Because Many People Have Not Heard

1 Cor 15:34 Awake to righteousness, and sin not; for some have not the knowledge of God: I speak this to your shame.

This verse us start doing right in the sight of God, righteousness and leave our sin, because some have never heard the gospel of Jesus Christ. Many people even in the nearby nation of Malaysia have never heard the gospel of Christ even the name of Christ.

We have got to go soulwinning because many have never heard the name of Christ even a full presentation of the gospel

9. Because we have a gospel debt to pay

Romans 1:14-15 I am debtor both to the Greeks, and to the Barbarians; both to the wise, and to the unwise. So, as much as in me is, I am ready to preach the gospel to you that are at Rome also.

This verse teaches us that we owe the unsaved people the debt of the gospel. This is how the bible tells us about how we need to feel an urgency of the preaching the gospel.

10. Because Soulwinning Makes Us Wise

Proverbs 11:30 The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life; and he that winneth souls is wise.

A righteous man's life becomes a blessing to others "a tree of life". A righteous man before GOD will affect others for good. And the person who wins people to Christ is wise.

11. Because God Wants Everyone To Be Saved From Sin

1 Timothy 2:4 Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.

2 Peter 3:9 The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

Ezekiel 33:11 Say unto them, As I live, saith the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live: turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways; for why will ye die, O house of Israel?

For Ambassador Baptist Church Members

1. Outreach and evangelism is the life of the local church. When we start looking inwards and not outwards, the church starts to die.
2. We are praying for revival of evangelism among Ambassador Members
3. As a church, when we plan the outreach programmes as part of the Great Commission in order to obey the Lord Jesus, as believers in ABC, we need to be committed to the local church to be involved in the outreach.

The Lord Jesus, through Jude, teaches us how to live in the last days:

“Jude 22-23 And of some have compassion, making a difference: And others save with fear, pulling them out of the fire; hating even the garment spotted by the flesh.”

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