



“Based on the gift they have received, everyone should use it to serve others as good managers of the varied grace of God” (1 Peter 4:10, HCSB).

The body of Christ has many parts. Each of these parts is essential in accomplishing God’s goal for the body as a whole. While not everyone in your Church will feel called to take on a leadership roll in your church’s partnership, *everyone* can take some part in reaching your church’s adopted people group.

In order to involve your whole body in reaching your adopted people group with the Gospel, your people group adoption team should spend time drafting creative assignments for individuals and groups in the church based on their function in the body.

Here are some ideas to involve all parts of your body in impacting your adopted area. Use the following as a springboard to develop a method of involvement that will work best for your people group and your unique church body.

1. Mail the “JESUS” film to every politician and policeman in your area of adoption. The “JESUS” film is the most-watched movie in history. Using address lists gathered by members of your church mission team, identify local community leaders who might watch the “JESUS” film in English or in the local language in the privacy of their home especially if they are encouraged to do so with a personal and motivating letter from you. You can order the “JESUS” film from Campus Crusade in Orlando, Florida (1-800-432-1997, e-mail: JesusFilmStore@Jesusfilm.org).

2. After ordering your own copy of the “JESUS” film, gather a group from your local church for a meal. The meal should be a typical meal from your adopted people group. After the meal, spend time in prayer for political and law enforcement leaders of your adopted area. Write addresses of community leaders on envelopes. Place your hands on each “JESUS” film, pray for the recipient, place the “JESUS” film inside the envelope, insert a personal note, and mail the envelope.

3. Mail a copy of the Bible and Christian literature to every library in your adopted area. Be sure to include school and university libraries.

4. Collect e-mail addresses and scriptural literature and Bible messages via e-mail. Collect e-mail addresses from phone books, advertisements, websites, and from your own contacts among your people group. Be sure to include a contact address and phone number. If any recipients are interested to know more, e-mail the Gospel of Luke to them.

5. Mail a copy of the “JESUS” film to all local video shops listed in your adopted area’s phone book. Mail also to cable TV companies, encouraging them to show the “JESUS” film for Christmas and Easter.

6. Call churches in your adopted area. If they have a telephone, most likely they have someone in the church who can speak English. Encourage them by asking what prayer requests they have. Pray over the phone. Ask them if they know of any people in their community who are asking questions about Jesus or the Bible. If so, ask for the seekers’ addresses so that a church planter can visit them or Gospel resources can be mailed to them.

7. Chat online with people from your adopted area. Use any of our resources (Camel, storying, etc. depending on your people group’s religion) as a format for discussion.

8. **Place a message or ad in the newspapers that cover your adopted area.** Many newspapers can be found on the Internet. For Christmas and Easter seasons, explain the true meaning of these holidays. Direct people to e-mail you for more information. Place an ad asking for pen pals or e-pals (e-mail pen pals). Make payment to the newspaper by wire transfer or money order.

9. **Write editorials in your adopted area newspapers promoting the greatness of Christ.** Use the Internet to research and contact newspaper from your adopted area.

10. **Find a pen pal from your adopted area through the Internet or your church's contacts.** Write them and share your testimony.

11. **Organize a fundraiser for the purchase of Bibles and other evangelistic resources for your adopted area.** Set your goal to purchase one Bible for every village. The goal for individual cities should be no less than one hundred.

12. **Locate people from your adopted area in your own country or community.** Research local universities. Invite international students from your people group to your home for Thanksgiving, Christmas, or Easter dinner.

13. **Ask a university in your adopted area if they have any students coming to your country for higher education.** Tell them that you would like to contact these students through e-mail or by phone. Even though the students may not live in your city, you can be an encouragement to them by phone. Help these students prepare for life in your country. Tell them that it would be good for them to understand Christianity since they will be living among Christians.

14. **Contact the English Department at a university in your adopted area.** Ask if any students want to practice their English writing. If so, then they can become your e-mail pen pal.

15. **Contact a businessman in your adopted area that has a similar business as yours.** Look in the Yellow Pages of your adopted area for businesses similar to yours. Start your relationship by talking on the phone about business related matters, then move into telling your testimony. Also, share the Gospel with them.

16. **Pray for people in your adopted area to be visited by Jesus in dreams (especially for Muslim groups).** Start a *Dream Team* in your church that prays specifically for people in your adopted area to experience dreams about Jesus.

17. **Equip your church's prayer ministry with news, pictures and specific requests related to your adopted area.** Read online English newspapers that cover your adopted area. Print and post in the prayer room articles about people in your people group who are suffering or under bondage in your adopted area. Print pictures of strongholds.

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