## **Growing Paines**

**Acts 6:1-7**Sunday, July 14, 2024



## **Scripture Memory**

But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

Acts 1:8



### **Gone Viral**

The gospel spread from Jerusalem to the ends of the earth

Stephen - Stood Up & Spoke Up
Philip — Served Widows and Sharing the Gospel
Ethiopian Eunuch — Believed and was Baptized



## **Next Steps**

To Believe & Be Baptized
Walk in the Spirit
Serve others & Share the gospel
Stand up and Speak Up



## Share Your Story Before – How - Now

What was your life like **Before** Christ?

How did you come to Christ? (circumstances that led you to Jesus, VBS, Revival)

What is your life like **now**?

See <u>link for video</u> on how to share your story (short version)

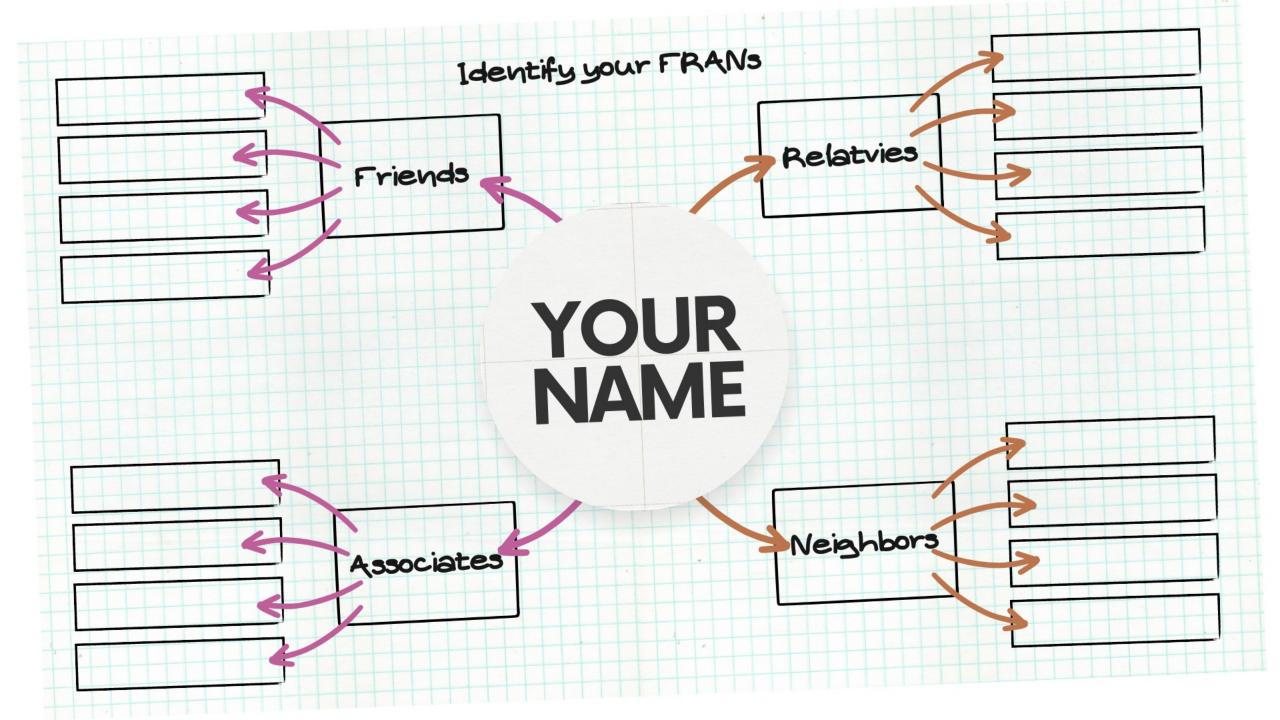


## Reach your FRANs

Friends, Relatives, Associates, & Neighbors

Oikos Map - Click Here to learn more how to pray for your oikos (relational network)





## How to Share The Gospel – 3 Circles

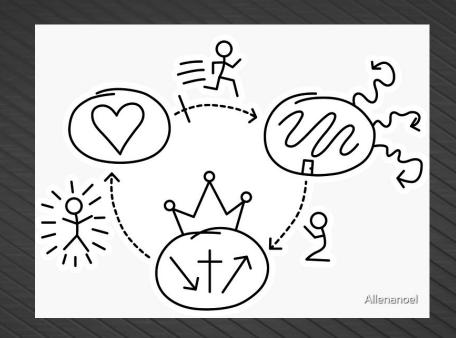
God's Design – Gen. 1:1, 1:27

Brokenness – Rom. 3:23; Isaiah 53:6

The Gospel – Rom. 10:9-11; Mk 1:14-15

Three Circles- Click Here to learn how to share the Gospel using three circles method

## **How to Share The Gospel – 3 Circles**



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#### Why? Who? How?

#### Why do we make disciples?

Because Jesus Command us to do so – Mt. 28:18-20, but also because of our identity as fishers of men (Mk 1:19), ambassadors (2 Cor. 5:17-21) and witnesses (Acts 1:8).

## Why? - Identity Who? - Oikos Map 2 Corinthians 5:17-21 (v17) New Ambassador Me

#### Who do we reach?

To whom do we share the good news?

Your Relational Network / FRANs - Friends, Relatives, Associates, Neighbors.

List 20 people who don't have a relationship with God. Use a blank piece of paper.
 Pray through the list and ask God to show you 5 people that you can share your story and His story with in the coming week

#### How do we share? What do we say?

Share Your Story as a bridge to sharing God's Story



Once you identify who's in your Relational Network (Oikos)s, we want to commit to doing three things: Pray, Invest, and Invite

#### PRAY - We will pray daily for these names.

We will ask God to make them aware of Christ's love and their need for Him (2 Cor. 4:4; Matt.13:15) and to give them the faith to repent and believe (Acts 20:21; Romans 10:9-10).

#### INVEST - We will create ways to invest weekly in their lives.

Our hope is to build a relationship where we can share Christ's love with them (1 Cor. 9:19-23). As we invest in someone's life, we build trust, which creates more opportunities to share the Gospel.

#### INVITE - As we pray & invest, we invite them to the next right thing.

The ideal would be to share your faith and invite them to enter into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. When people aren't there yet, we can invite them to belong in our community before they believe. For example, we may invite them to group "hangouts", a church outreach event, or a Sunday morning service.

During the accountability time of our D-Group each week, we will ask ...

"With whom have you shared your story or God's story?"

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**GROUP** TIME



**GIVE** TIME



**GO** TIME

## #TFBAbide Bible Reading Plan

Day 1 – Acts 12:6-8

Day 2 – Acts 12:9-10

Day 3 – Acts 12:11-12

Day 4 – Acts 12:13-14

Day 5 – Acts 12:15-18

Scripture Memory: Acts 1:8



**Start Small – Start Smart – Start Somewhere** 

Take the Discipleship Survey – Click Here

