



A FAMILY THAT

**SHARES HOPE**

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# Share Hope

- If someone asks about your Christian hope, always be ready to explain it. 1 Peter 3:15 NLT
- We should be ready to give the reason for our hope.
- In Luke 10 there are principles we can learn that still apply to why, where, and how we share hope.

# I. Why to Share Hope

- **Luke 10:1-2** (NASB) **1** Now after this the Lord appointed seventy others, and sent them in pairs ahead of Him to every city and place where He Himself was going to come. **2** And He was saying to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore beseech the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest.
- What Jesus says to them demonstrates their why, and it continues to be our why...
- The Harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few.

**10 years...**

2006 Sunday Morning Attendance

**171,445**

2016 Sunday Morning Attendance

**147,125**

**Current Realities**

(According to PAOC ACLR's)

**14% DECREASE**  
**per year**



**10 years...**

2006 Conversions Reported **20,769**

2016 Conversions Reported **13,023**

**Current Realities**

(According to PAOC ACLR's)

**37% DECREASE**  
per year



# I. Why to Share Hope

- In the physical, we do more harvesting with less labourers than the less developed world.
- In the spiritual, we are relying on our machinery, and not on the labourers.
- We are relying on money, tools, equipment, and information to Harvest, but what we need is praying labourers.

# I. Why to Share Hope

- There are people looking for hope.
- We are instructed to pray as we go.
- This Easter we have a desire that everyone will bring at least one guest to church.
- Without prayer and all of our involvement, things will stay the same.

## II. Where to Share Hope

- **Matthew 28:19** (NASB) "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit,
  - As you go, make disciples.
  - As you transfer through life.
  - As you continue on your journey.
- Evangelism should be apart of our regular life.



## II. Where to Share Hope

- It is not about geography, it is about proximity.
- Jesus will direct you.
- God had a purpose for planting us in a particular place.
- Jesus knows where he wants to go and he goes there through you.
- He sent them in pairs ahead of Him to every city and place where He Himself was going to come.

## II. Where to Share Hope

- This partnership is two ways; where you go, He will follow.
- When Jesus shows up things can shift.
- **There is a lot we can do to share hope where God has placed us.**

## III. How to Share Hope

- When sharing hope both boldness and shyness have drawbacks.
- The bold need to be aware of their approach.
- The shy need to be confident in their ability.
- Luke 10:3-4 3 "Go; behold, I send you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. 4 "Carry no money belt, no bag, no shoes; and greet no one on the way.

## III. How to Share Hope

- When we share hope we should not overwhelm or over plan.
- We are lambs, not wolves
- We all like sheep have gone astray, turned to our own way, but God...
- Jesus instructs us to go as lambs.

## III. How to Share Hope

- There are lots of other lambs who have lost their way and need a “but God moment”...
- We are a family that shares the good news of Jesus Christ.
- We are a family that Shows Love,
- We are a family that Shares Hope
- We are a family that Shares Faith

## III. How to Share Hope

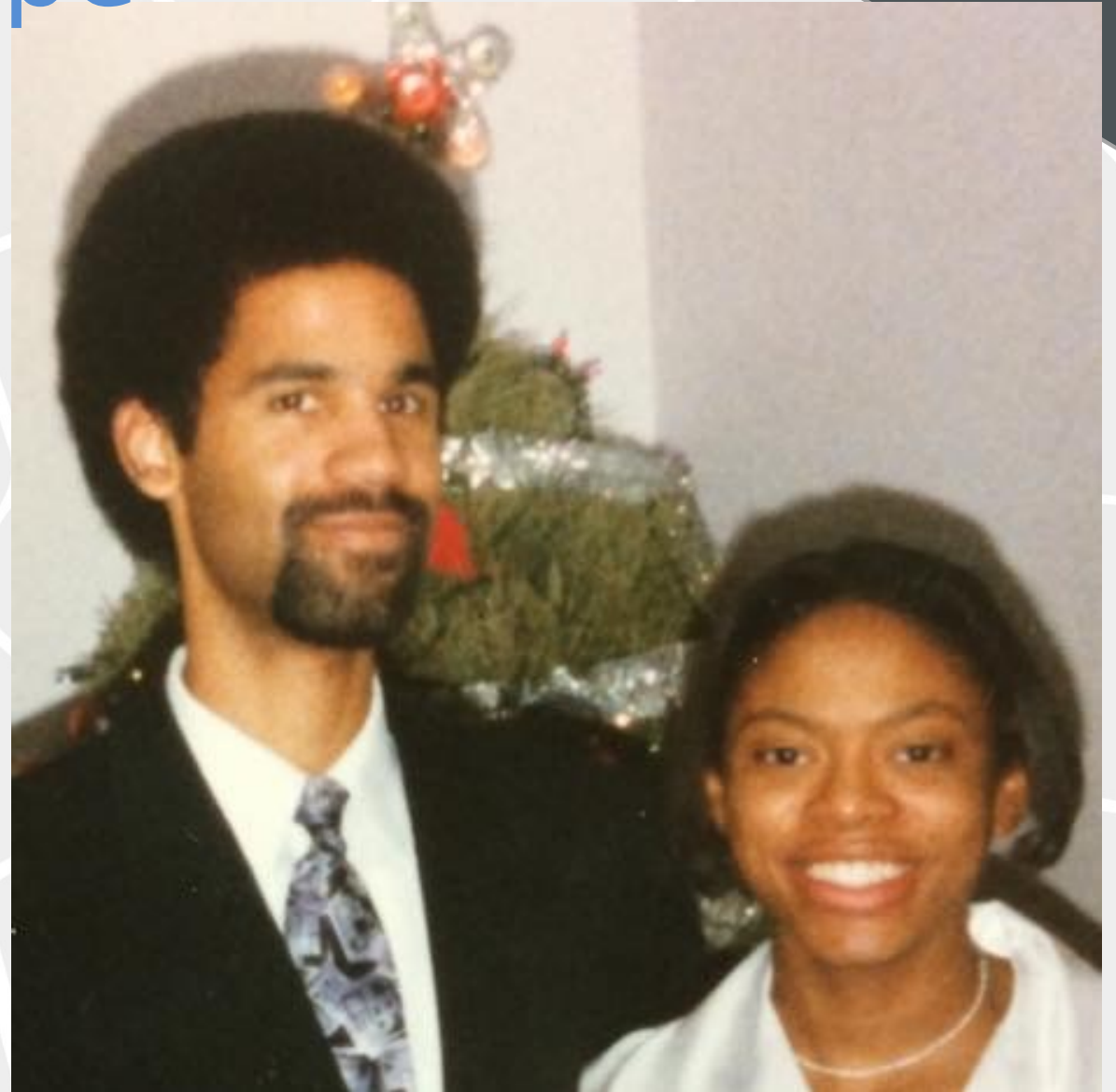
- Shy people don't need to become bold to share hope.
- There is a lot we can do to share hope where God has placed us.
- Jesus instructs them to take no money, no bag, and no shoes. He also tells them not to greet people on the way.

## III. How to Share Hope

- Jesus said...
  - No budget (money),
  - No tools (bag),
  - No dress code (shoes),
  - No news (greeting).
- They had the good news and that is all they needed.

## III. How to Share Hope

- Actions speak louder than words, but words whisper truth.
- Actions gets a person's attention, but words win their heart.
- Love can be shown in actions, but Hope needs to be spoken.





### III. How to Share Hope

**Luke 10:5-9** **5** "Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace be to this house.' **6** "If a man of peace is there, your peace will rest on him; but if not, it will return to you. **7** "Stay in that house, eating and drinking what they give you; for the laborer is worthy of his wages. Do not keep moving from house to house. **8** "Whatever city you enter and they receive you, eat what is set before you; **9** and heal those in it who are sick, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.'

## III. How to Share Hope

- Write these letters
- **S**
- **E**
- **P**
- **T**
- These letters will remind you a great approach to Sharing Hope.

## III. How to Share Hope

### **Speak Blessing**

- Often people cannot hear the word concerning Christ because something else is in the way.
- We often speak apathetically, or critically when we are called to speak prophetically.

## III. How to Share Hope

### Speak Blessing

**Numbers 6:22-27** (NASB) **22** Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, **23** "Speak to Aaron and to his sons, saying, 'Thus you shall bless the sons of Israel. You shall say to them: **24** The LORD bless you, and keep you; **25** The LORD make His face shine on you, And be gracious to you; **26** The LORD lift up His countenance on you, And give you peace.' **27** "So they shall invoke My name on the sons of Israel, and I then will bless them."

## III. How to Share Hope

### Speak Blessing

- The words we speak are powerful whether or not we are speaking the right ones.

**James 3:7-10** (NLT) **7** People can tame all kinds of animals, birds, reptiles, and fish, **8** but no one can tame the tongue. It is restless and evil, full of deadly poison. **9** Sometimes it praises our Lord and Father, and sometimes it curses those who have been made in the image of God. **10** And so blessing and cursing come pouring out of the same mouth. Surely, my brothers and sisters, this is not right!

## III. How to Share Hope

### Speak Blessing

- **Ed Silvoso, Transformational Leader**
- **Reason #1:** We need to declare peace because we, as Christians, have been at war with the lost.
- **Reason #2:** If we bless the lost, we will stop cursing them.
- **Reason #3:** We speak peace in order to neutralize the spiritual forces that have been assigned to blind our neighbors to the light of the gospel.

## III. How to Share Hope

### Speak Blessing

**Acts 26: 17,18,(NIV)** I am sending you to them to open their eyes and turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God.

- Speaking blessing over people is the first step to prayer evangelism.
- Simply put, prayer evangelism is talking to God about our neighbors before we talk to our neighbors about God.

## III. How to Share Hope

### **Eat Food**

- Much of Jesus ministry centered around food.
- People connect over good food.
- So whether in homes or cafes let's use food to connect.



# III. How to Share Hope

## Eat Food

Scripture in Luke	Meal	Participants
5:27-32	Banquet at Levi's House	Tax collectors and sinners
7:36-50	Dinner at Simon's House	Pharisees, guests and sinful woman
9:10-17	Feeding the 5,000	Disciples and Crowds
10:38-42	Hospitality at the home of Mary and Martha	Mary and Martha
11:37-52	Dinner at a Pharisee's House	Pharisees and

# III. How to Share Hope

## Eat Food

Scripture in Luke	Meal	Participants
19:1-10	Hospitality at the home of Zacchaeus	Zacchaeus
22:14-38	The Last Supper	The Apostles
24:28-32	Breaking Bread at Emmaus	Two Disciples
24:36-43	Jesus Eats Meal in Presence of Disciples	Two Disciples

## III. How to Share Hope

### **Pray for Needs**

- Most of us, if not all of us, came to the Lord as a result of someone's prayers.
- Never before has the Church had more money, training and members than it has today; yet never has the Church done a poorer job in reaching the lost.
- We must continue praying for the felt needs of loved ones and others and expecting miracles that will prove to them Jesus is the Son of God.

## III. How to Share Hope

### Tell the Good News

- **There is a lot we can do to share hope where God has placed us.**
- Hope builds anticipation.
- Let's keep the good news good. Even if people choose to reject it.

## III. How to Share Hope

### Tell the Good News

**1 Peter 3:13-17** (NLT) **13** Now, who will want to harm you if you are eager to do good? **14** But even if you suffer for doing what is right, God will reward you for it. So don't worry or be afraid of their threats.

**15** Instead, you must worship Christ as Lord of your life. If someone asks about your Christian hope, always be ready to explain it.

## III. How to Share Hope

### Tell the Good News

**1 Peter 3:13-17** (NLT) **16** But do this in a gentle and respectful way. Keep your conscience clear. Then if people speak against you, they will be ashamed when they see what a good life you live because you belong to Christ. **17** Remember, it is better to suffer for doing good, if that is what God wants, than to suffer for doing wrong!

# Share Hope

- Imagine the impact on our church, our community and our families if each of us was to bring at least one guest to GKM this Easter.
- Plan a social connection with your guest.
- Give your guest an invitation to Easter.
- Pray a blessing over your guest every day.
- There is a lot we can do to share hope where God has placed us.

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**WEEK TWO**

- Plan a social connection with your guest.
- Give your guest an invitation to Easter.
- Pray a blessing over your guest every day.