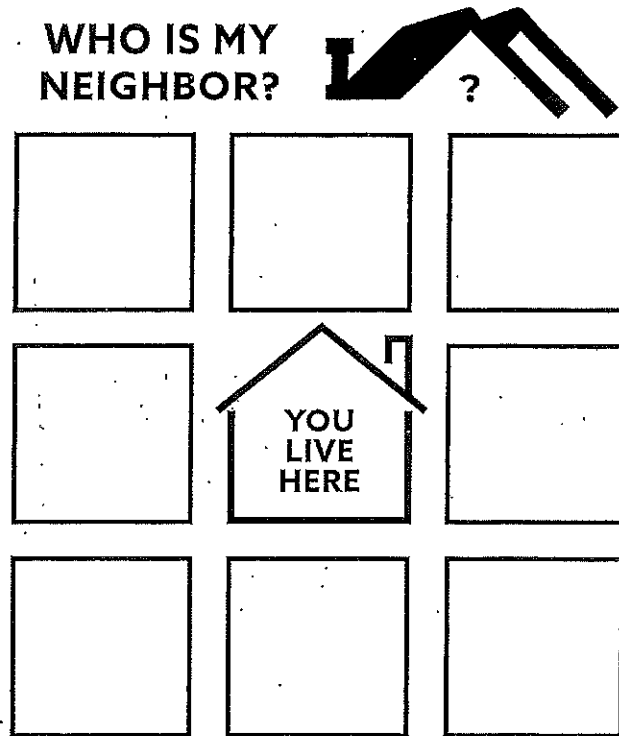


WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR?



"Who Is My Neighbor?" Map

The first tool is a simple way to get you started in praying for your neighbors. The center square represents where you live. The eight surrounding houses represent your neighbors. Write each of your neighbors names in the surrounding eight squares; using the eight neighbors who live closest to you.

If you do not know their names; find out. Google them. Ask them. Write the names in the boxes. Then use this tool to begin praying for the eight people (neighbors) in close geographical proximity to you.

(You can use this tool to identify neighbors in other settings too - work, play, gym).

Set aside some time every day to pray for each of these eight people by name. In time you will find you don't need the "Who Is Your Neighbor?" map because you will have memorized the names of these eight people that God is asking you to love.

Five Simple B.L.E.S.S. Tools

Throughout this series, you will be given a simple tool that goes along with each of the five B.L.E.S.S. practices - each tool is designed so you can immediately put into practice these five everyday ways to love your neighbor and change your world.

To make sure you use this tool(s) everyday, don't just fill in the blanks and forget about it, use the four Ps listed below:

Plan

Things that are important to us are written on our calendars. If you want to be intentional about setting aside time to pray, you need to plan for it.

Prepare

As you pray, ask God to prepare your heart for the adventure. Ask God to give you eyes to see how He is leading and the courage to follow Him.

Places

As you pray, make a mental map of the places you'll visit during the day. Ask God to help you be sensitive about your surroundings and guide you to where He wants you to be a blessing.

People

Finally, ask God to show you how to be a blessing to your eight neighbors. As you pray, envision their faces and ask God to show you how you can be a blessing in their lives today. Pray for their physical health, their relationships, their emotional well-being, their careers, and their finances. Pray for them in the way you would want someone to pray for you.