

# A Survey About Outreach and Evangelism

As we step into a new season of outreach at St. Peter's ("Finding Followers"), it is important for each of us as Jesus-followers to take a deep dive into what we understand by "evangelism." This reflection will help Pastor Rick and church leadership to determine how best to equip people in this outreach initiative. We know we are called to share the gospel: What does this mean for you?

## 1. What statement is closest to your understanding of *evangelism*?

- It feels pushy
- It's the pastor's job
- That's what missionaries do
- That's what all believers do
- Some people have that spiritual gift

## 2. How often do you share your faith with others?

- Often (a few times a week)
- Never
- Sometimes (once or twice a year)
- When it feels safe to do so

## 3. What motivates you to share your faith?

- Hearing a sermon
- Reading the Bible
- Praying
- My relationship with Jesus
- Guilt
- Fear of loved ones not going to heaven

## 4. How do you feel your church supports evangelism?

- By offering outreach opportunities
- Overseas missions
- Through the mission committee
- Through giving money
- By training people in the congregation

## 5. How do you feel about the training tools church members are currently receiving to equip them for evangelism and outreach?

- Good
- Very good
- Not applicable

## 6. What resources or training would help you share your faith more effectively?

- How to share my faith tips
- Prayer groups
- Bible Studies on the topic of evangelism
- A sermon series

**7. What do you think is the most effective way to share your faith? (Please prioritize, 1-2-3)**

- How I serve in the community
- How I show Christ in my actions
- How I share the message of the gospel

**8. When was the last time that you spoke of your faith in conversations with non-believers?**

- In the last week
- In the last month
- In the last year
- I can't remember
- Never

**9. If a non-believer were to ask you why you are "so into God," could you give him or her an answer?**

- Yes
- No
- Maybe
- Not sure

**10. In two minutes or less, can you tell a non-believer how Christ changed your life?**

- Yes
- No
- Maybe
- Not sure

**11. Do you eagerly jump at the opportunity to say a word for God in conversations, or do you shy away for fear of being politically incorrect?**

- Yes
- No
- Sometimes
- Never

**12. Do you talk about your faith as an everyday part of life, regardless of who's in the audience?**

- Yes
- No
- Sometimes
- Never

**13. If you knew for certain that the Lord would return next week, can you think of a non-believer would you want to share your faith with immediately?**

- Yes
- No
- Many

**14. How important is it to you that you share your faith with others?**

- Important
- Somewhat important
- Not that important
- Crucial

**15. How do you tend to share your faith with others?**

- By the way I live
- By what I say
- But what I do
- By praying for people

**16. On a scale of 1-5, how often would you typically talk about spiritual matters with the following people? (1 = often / 5 = never)**

- People who share your beliefs
- People who seem open to spiritual conversations, but might not share your beliefs
- Family members who have left the faith
- Friends who are not confessing believers
- Neighbors who are not believers and have expressed disinterest in the church

**17. What might prevent you from sharing your faith? (Please choose only 5 and prioritize, 1-5)**

- I don't have opportunities to share my faith
- I don't feel equipped to share my faith
- Others aren't interested in talking about my faith
- No one asks me about my faith
- Fear of being rejected if I share my faith
- I'm too busy to take time to share my faith
- I'm too shy to share my faith
- Evangelism isn't really not my spiritual gift
- I can never find an appropriate time to share my faith
- I don't find it easy to bring up my faith
- I don't want to come across as pushy for sharing my faith
- I don't want to offend others by sharing my faith
- I'm afraid of making Christianity look bad by not giving the right answers
- I don't feel a prompting from the Holy Spirit
- I feel I lack faith in this area
- Nothing stops me from sharing my faith
- It's in the pastor's job description and he is trained at it

**What are the biggest opportunities for evangelism within your community?**

Please identify specific groups, demographics, areas you feel need to be reached.

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Thank you for answering this survey.

Pastor Rick will share the results in a sermon in May.