

VOLUNTEER'S MANUAL

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SOS AND SATURATION CHALLENGE

SATURATION CHALLENGE is a vision to see an Assemblies of God church planted in every city, town, and barangay in the Philippines.

There are two essentials to make this a reality:

1. **Church Planting Movement** - the Assemblies of God, Philippines must first become a church planting movement. This is going back to our original purpose for being as a movement:

That the priority reason-for-being of the Philippines General Council of the Assemblies of God, Inc. (PGCAG) is to be an agency of God for evangelizing the world, to be a corporate body in which man may worship God, and to be channel of God's purpose to build a body of saints being perfected in the image of His Son.

That the Philippines General Council of the Assemblies of God, Inc. (PGCAG) exists expressly to give continuing emphasis to this reason-for-being'
(PGCAG By-Laws Article II - Statement of Purpose, Paragraph 4 & 5)

2. **Plant Another Church** - Every member church of our movement will plant another church. This is the most natural and practical way to plant churches. Churches are born by churches.

The S.O.S. Church Planting system which is basically the *mobilization of the ordinary believers* for church planting will accelerate the realization of 'Saturation Challenge'. During harvest time, what is needed are MANY laborers in the field. It is harvest time!

We would like to thank the participating local churches for sending their Church Planting Teams to this Church Planting Laboratory. They will go back with the experience that will enable them to plant more churches in your local church target barangay.

Our greater appreciation is for the church planting team members, for all volunteers - pastors and ordinary believers alike who will stand and work side by side to help plant churches in district/sectional targets this summer. But remember, the greater action is when you go home. With the skill that you have gained in this SOS Church Planting Laboratory take the lead role under your pastors' directive in planting churches in your local target places.



This is how we accelerate our effort and eventually create a church plant Assemblies of God. Together, we can do

*Membership mobilization
is the life force of church planting!*

Power To Our Churches!

UNRESTRAINED

by. Rev. Rey A. Calusay

OUTLINE OF ACTS: The Savior Went up, The Spirit Came Down, The Church Went Out
The Lost Came in!

FINAL CHAPTERS OF THE MISSIONAL CHURCH

Act 28:28 Therefore let it be known to you that this salvation of God has been sent to the Gentiles; they will listen."

Act 28:30 He lived there two whole years at his own expense, and welcomed all who came to him,

Act 28:31 proclaiming the kingdom of God and teaching about the Lord Jesus Christ with all boldness and without hindrance.

BACKGROUND: Paul appealed to Caesar in one of his court hearing, that's why he was in Rome (ACT 28:17-20). He was told by the Lord that he would bear witness in Rome (ACT 23:11). His appeal to Caesar was just THE MEANS of getting him to Rome. THE MOTIVE was to preach Christ!

THE LAST PICTURE OF THE CHARACTER OF THE MISSIONAL CHURCH AS REPRESENTED BY PAUL.

Preaching...from Jerusalem to Rome.

Abrupt ending of the story - a surprising stop!

A great picture of Paul: fully engaged in the work of his life even if he was technically in captivity.

Full speed/new destination / not a Diversion.

PAUL WAS UNRESTRAINED: not restricted or hindered; unlimited, unbounded;

1. Preaching With Boldness

- Fearless and full of faith and confidence.
- The force of a bulldozer; fierceness of a bull-dog.
- Preaching of the Church was founded on the praying for BOLDNESS. ACT 4:23-31

2. Preaching Unrestrained

- Unhindered, no man forbidding him.
- Arranged By God.. That the trying restraint laid upon the apostle's labors by his imprisonment had only turned his influence into a new channel;
- God is sovereign over the preaching of His word, lives of His preachers.

WHAT IS RESTRAINED/RESTRICTED AS A CHURCH?

1. **Satanic hindrance** - Blinds people, takes the word from their hearts, deceives them to believe lies, introduce them to other gods, distribute unbelief, brainwash them.
2. **Social hindrance** - religious and political persecution, isolation, racism; preoccupation with temporal and trivial things; injustice; poverty; crimes; Cliques and Division
3. **Speaking hindrance** - communication problem; language; irrelevance; disconnection, Ignorance; Timidity and fear.
4. **Spirituality Hindrance** - Sin, Selfishness; lost anointing; unpreparedness, lack of discernment; spiritual idols; disobedience, Lordship problem); strongholds and pretensions, sub-standard Ministry
5. **Salapi Hindrance** - Spending priorities; unwilling to offer sacrifice; Seek-ye-first problem; Greed/idolatry problem; Unworthy-god religion; Dependency.

THE UNRESTRAINED CHURCH: With only 2 Kinds of People: Goers, Senders

Our Going - Spread is restrained

Our Giving - Generosity is restrained.

INITIATION TO THE SOS TRAINING

TRAINING GOALS. Training is a must. It is SOS policy that only those who have undergone the current training program can join the teams to be sent to the target places.

1. **TO PROVIDE FRESH MOTIVATION FOR SERVICE** through prophetic ministry of the Word and mighty experience of God's Presence during dynamic praise and worship times. Worshipers will become Effective Workers!
2. **TO PREPARE VOLUNTEERS FOR CONFRONTATIONAL SPIRITUAL BATTLE.** Evangelism brings us into enemy's territory. SOS trains volunteers as a spiritual army: made stronger than the strongman, ready to confront, engage & defeat the enemy in battle!
3. **TO EQUIP VOLUNTEERS TO HAVE MAXIMUM AND EFFECTIVE PARTICIPATION.** The training content is customized to give the volunteers workable knowledge and skill: what to say, what to do and how to do it.
4. **TO ORGANIZE VOLUNTEERS INTO TEAMS** that will work harmoniously, practice principles of wholesome relationships, teamwork, and submission to leaders and one another.

ME AS A VOLUNTEER. Who I am, what I have, what the lord has done to me affect my performance as an SOS volunteer. I will volunteer my strengths and submit my weaknesses to God's dealing through my leaders and teammates to be more effective in this work.

1. **VOLUNTEER'S DATA FORM** - Answers to the questions in the form will help the leaders determine volunteer's talents & initial capabilities to do the ministry.
2. **VOLUNTEER'S PROFILE** – The answers to the questions in this second form will be valuable in motivating, understanding, counseling, correcting and disciplining the volunteer.
3. **YOUR PERSONAL TESTIMONY** - each volunteer must be able to clearly say: 'See what the Lord has done in my life'.

ATTITUDES NEEDED IS NEEDED IN SOS. Attitude is more important talent, education, money, circumstance, failures, success, appearance, intelligence or skill. Attitude will make or break a company, a church or a home, a team. We can't control circumstances or how people will act and say to us, but we have a choice regarding the attitude we will embrace for the day. You are in charge of your attitude." No matter what happens to you, it is how you react or respond to it, that is the most important attitude.

1. **ATTITUDES TOWARDS FELLOW VOLUNTEERS: *SOS life is community life.*** Its duration is brief, but the interaction with one another will be intensive. It shall require IMMEDIATE social adjustments and these attitudes: **Kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.**
2. **ATTITUDES TOWARDS LEADERS: *The SOS TEAM is a Task Force.*** Strategies are defined and goals have deadlines. The decisions the leader make are calculated to bring results. Members should support them through these attitudes: **Trust, obedience, submission, respect.**
3. **ATTITUDES TOWARDS THE WORK. *The SOS Task is difficult, it is a battle.*** The opportunities are too brief for delays. The difficulties & inconveniences you'll face are real. The following attitudes will be necessary: **Joyful, winning, determination to finish**

I HEREBY RESOLVE TO

Cooperate in the training process, seek to receive motivation in God's presence, rise up as a spiritual soldier, diligently learn the lessons and skills for effective fieldwork and position myself under my field director and with my team mates.

Offer all that I am and all that I have for this task of church planting.

Adapt positive attitudes needed in working as an SOS volunteer.

If I behave otherwise, I will submit to necessary disciplinary action by my leaders.

Signature: _____

WHAT IS SUMMER OF SERVICE (S.O.S.)

What comes first to your mind when you hear SOS?

What SOS is not: not a person, not a council, not a missions agency, not even a rehabilitation program for church members with issues to be dealt with in their lives.

1. **It is a Church Planting Strategy.** The aim of every team sent to a target place is to start a local body of believers using the fieldwork strategy: Contact, Convert and Congregate. A trained Pioneering Pastor receives the results of the saturation evangelistic campaign.
2. **It is a Short-term Missions Trip.** Volunteers participate in a 21-Day Missionary: 3-full days of training and 2 and half weeks of fieldwork. For many, the S.O.S. experience was the beginning of a lifetime decision to serve the Lord full-time. It can be yours, too.
3. **It is a Membership Mobilization.** The ministry belongs to every member of the church. Local churches send their members and leaders as volunteers. Ordinary members are activated for fruitful ministry. This is what makes SOS unique from other church planting methods.
4. **It is a Ministry Oriented program.** Members of the participating churches, from age 17 to 65 years old, go out and serve Jesus in missions. They are taught to witness, knock on doors, distribute tracts, give their testimonies, conduct Bible Study, heal the sick, cast out demons, disciple young believers and assemble them for church service.
5. **It is a Self-supporting operation.** Each volunteer raises his own budget for the mission trip. Some work, solicit or save their own money. Employed believers apply for a month leave. The sponsoring churches are just facilitators in the fund raising.
6. **It is Power Encounter Evangelism.** The concept of evangelism by the witness of signs, wonders and miracles is practiced at every opportunity. Pentecostal missions are at its best when these are employed. We do spiritual warfare and confrontation with the forces of darkness within the context of the Filipino spirit world.
7. **It is a Training-on-the-job concept.** The training and activities are goal-oriented. Nothing is included that will not help reach the goals. The exposure of members to the actual evangelistic environment trains them to become effective members in their churches.
8. **It is a Summer Camp with a PLUS!** Traditional summer camps, retreats, seminars, and the like are good but do not produce the same results that SOS do. SOS utilizes members' desire to camp-out by bringing them into a town in a camping situation. But at the end of all the activities, a church is planted – this is the GREAT PLUS!
9. **It is a Church Planting Laboratory.** Every local church planting another church is the way to accelerate the reaching of our goal to saturate the Philippines with AoG churches. How can ordinary people in the church learn how to plant churches? **SOS was offered as a method in answer to this challenge.** Local churches organize a Church Planting Team of at least 5 people. The teams gain experience in church planting by joining a month-long SOS church planting effort in a place targeted by the district. The teams go back to their churches ready to plant churches in their local targets.

BEGINNING and PROGRESS OF S.O.S.

SOS IS A STANDARD SIGNAL OF DISTRESS AND APPEAL FOR HELP, just like the cry of the Macedonians *"Come over to Macedonia and help us"* (Acts16:9). Jesus came to seek and to save what was lost (Luke 19:10). Before He ascended back to heaven, he said to His disciples: *"As the Father has sent me, I am sending you"* (John 20:21). So Jesus gave the Great Commission - *"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."* Matt 28:18-20

S.O.S. AS A CHURCH PLANTING PROGRAM WAS BORN in response to the Great Commission. The Great Commission is a GOING commission. The best way to do missions is to GO to the Harvest Field. Starting 1986, we have challenged Christians to dedicate their summer vacation to participate in planting a church in a target town or city. We called the campaign S.O.S - SUMMER OF SERVICE. *"He who gathers crops in summer is a wise son, but he who sleeps during harvest is a disgraceful son."* (Prov.10:5

THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE S.O.S. work is a beautiful picture of Acts 1:8 – *"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."* Rev. Reynaldo Calusay, the Senior Pastor of First Assembly of God challenged the church to reach their Jerusalem – Roxas City, in the province of Capiz. His vision was to fill the city with the doctrine of Christ. Ordinary members were trained and mobilized to preach the gospel and conduct evangelistic Bible studies throughout the city. This principle of mobilization of members continues to be the life *force of S.O.S.*

The burden to fill the city of Roxas with the doctrine of Christ grew to reaching the neighboring towns, then the neighboring provinces and Islands. The SOS concept continued to spread as churches and district officials from Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao requested for SOS in their areas. Our missionaries to Cambodia, namely, Warren Aragona, Fred Capapas and Jose Estrebilla were pioneer Field Directors of S.O.S. They have adopted the SOS strategy and mobilized Cambodian believers. Now, with the help of technology, many countries in the world are adopting the S.O.S. church planting strategy, SOS materials and updates are available from the web: <http://plantanotherchurch.com>

S.O.S. WILL CONTINUE because God continues to provide the motivation. God's yearly `Marching Orders' is expressed in a prayerfully selected theme. Each theme is a prophetic Word with which an army of the Lord is called to arise to conquer new grounds for the Kingdom of God. *Habakkuk 2:2 - "Write down the revelation and make it plain on tablets so that a herald may run with it."*

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| 1988 Send Me To the Frontline | 1998 Let His Word Resound |
| 1989 For You Will Spread Out | 1999 Is There Not a Cause? |
| 1990 Freely Give! | 2000 Nevertheless I Will |
| 1991 On the Go! | 2001 Crossing Rovers, Taking Cities |
| 1992 Light Shines in the Darkness | 2002 Blessed to Bless |
| 1993 Possess the Land | 2003 Do Something |
| 1994 Behold an Open Door | 2004 Give Me This Mountain |
| 1995 Souls Beyond our Walls | 2005 Accelerate |
| 1996 Break the Silence | 2006 Mobility |
| 1997 No Turning Back | |
| 2007-2010 SOS worked to help fulfill the PGCAG mandate `Saturate' | |
| 2011- 2020 SOS efforts are in response to the PGCAG `Saturation Challenge' | |

THE S.O.S CHURCH PLANTING STRATEGY

What benefit will a local church have from participating in SOS?

TOTAL ACTION PLAN FOR SOS AN CHURCH PLANTING LABORATORY:

A *Church Planting Laboratory* is a District sponsored on-the-job training program in Church Planting, using the S.O.S mobilization campaign. It is a program of acceleration: Churches will be planted by the participants during the OJT followed by a multiplication of the church planting efforts by the local churches in their local targets.

	ACTION STEP	DESCRIPTION	OBJECTIVE	ACTIVITIES	
	PRE-FIELD PERIOD				
C O N F R O N T Binding spiritual strongman and demolishing spiritual strongholds through prayer, worship and spiritual warfare	CONSULT	Decision Making and Partnership: Local Pastors Sectional & District leaders	Local churches determine targets Baranggays Local churches form their Church Planting Teams. District determine town or city targets for Church Planting Laboratory using SOS		
	CONSTITUTE	Facilitation	Prepare Essentials for Church Planting Laboratory (details found in IMPACT Booklet)		
	CONVENE	Training of leaders	Training of volunteers and *CPT's	Prepare trainers, pioneer pastors, field directors, officers,	Paghanas3 days
				Prepare and organize for field work	1-week Church Planting Training in prepared venue
	FIELD WORK PERIOD (3 weeks)				
	<i>Church Planting teams learn as they participate in actual Church Planting</i>				
	CONTACT	Linking ourselves with the people	Build relationships, Overcome resistance, Motivate people for Bible study	All possible methods: House Survey Need-oriented visits Culturally applicable	
	CONVERT	Linking contacts with Jesus Christ	Lead contacts thru conversion & orient the new converts about basic Christian life & growth	Bible study: In One on One, Small groups and Seminar settings.	
	CONGREGATE	Linking converts with one another and with the Pioneer Pastor	To materialize the SOS goal and provide smooth transition of responsibility from the SOS team to the Pioneer Pastor and his new church	Linking, Enlisting Leaders, Organizing Core Group, Grand Opening Service, First Church Meeting	
	CONSOLIDATE	Summarizing results	To make results manageable for the Pioneer Worker	Organizing records for turn-over to Pioneer Worker	
AFTER FIELD WORK PERIOD					
CONSERVE	Pastoral care of the Pioneer worker for the newly planted church.				
CONFER	Meeting of SOS leaders for evaluation. Initial planning for next year				
	CONSECUTE	Participating Church Planting teams from local churches continue to plant churches in their target baranggays. Results to church planting multiplication and acceleration!			

*CPT – Church Planting Teams organized by local churches to plant churches in their local target baranggays.

THE SOS CHURCH PLANTING GOAL

Knowing the goal. DO not stop short of it. Work thoroughly to achieve the goal.

An SOS team in a target place will work so that at the end of their fieldwork, they will be able to....**Turn over** to the pioneer pastor **a Congregation** of believers committed to be **the Core Group** of the newly planted church in the target place.

CLARIFYING COMPOSITION OF THE CORE GROUP

1. Ideally, no effort of the team must be wasted. Every person that is being processed by the volunteers through the conversion doorways must become a core group member. Therefore, the **EXPECTED MINIMUM NUMBER of core group members is equal to the number of converts being processed by the team members.**

ALL CONVERTS BEING PROCESSED → CONGREGATED → CORE GROUP

2. Take note that at the end of the fieldwork, the core group members will have varying degrees of conversion experience.
 - a. Some have completed the four doorways of conversion.
 - b. Some are still in the process: candidates for water baptism or needed to be prayed for to be baptized in Holy Spirit.
 - c. Some have already been enlisted and oriented as provisional leaders, Bible Study Facilitators
 - d. Churched Christians who committed to join the new church plant. (VM26)
3. Some Misconceptions:
 - a. Those who signed the Core Group Commitment Form during GOS are the core group. The signing of the CGC during GOS is only ceremonial. The PP can have the other converts sign after SOS.
 - b. The Core Group are those who have been enlisted as leaders. NO. The enlisted leaders are only a few among the congregation/core group.
4. What else are turned over to the Pioneer Pastor:
 - a. Church Birth Certificate signed by the SOS Team members
 - b. Core Group Commitment Certificate signed by congregation of the new church plant
 - c. File of Individual Progress reports of every convert and contact during the SOS campaign in the target place.

SOS TERMS AND DEFINITIONS

Common and clear definitions give clarity to actions.

1. **CONTACT**- one who had initial exposure to the gospel through any of the evangelistic methods used whose response may be positive or negative response. *During the contact stage, people MAY or MAY NOT be led to accept Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. A positive response to study the Bible is GOOD ENOUGH.*
2. **GOOD CONTACT**- a contact who responded positively to a Bible study. Because of the SOS goal and time limitations, SOS team should focus on good contacts that have no social and physical limitations, are able to make decisions and commitments called for people we aim to be part of the core group of the new church plant.

3. **CONVERT** - is one who is being processed through the doorways of the conversion experience and oriented in Christian life and growth. At the end of fieldwork, the converts will vary in the extent of their conversion experience.
4. **CONGREGATION** – converts linked to each other & to the Pioneer Pastor, organized into a core group and gathered together for worship, fellowship, teaching and service. During the Grand Opening Service (GOS) only friends and relatives invited by the converts themselves are the new contacts present.
5. **CORE GROUP**– term applied to the congregated believers of the new church because they have meaningfully and intelligently committed to support the leadership of the Pioneer Pastor and to take responsible part in conserving and growing the newly planted church.

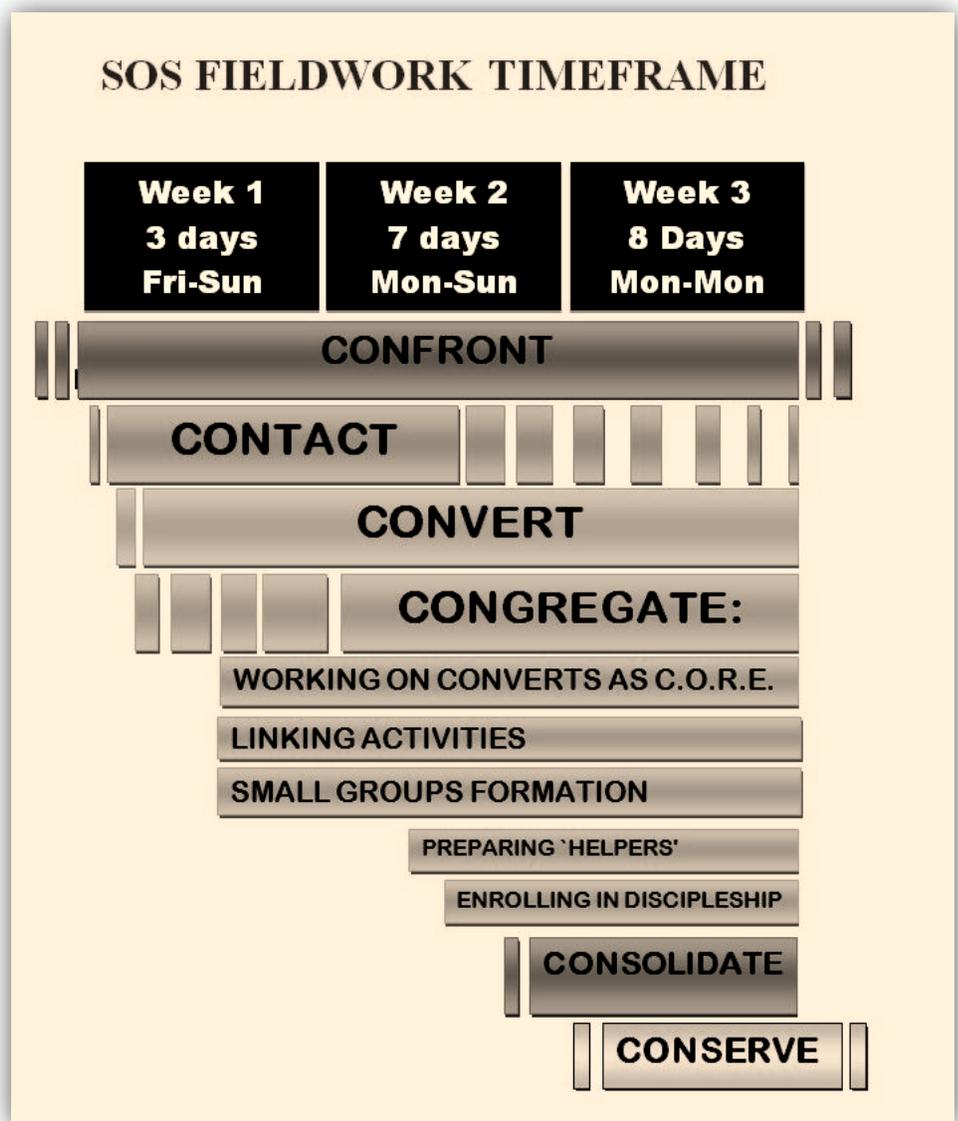
Characteristics:

- a. Committed to support the new church and the leadership of the Pioneer Pastor.
- b. Organized to perform ministries related to the life and growth of the new church.
- c. Related to each other for fellowship and mutual edification.
- d. Entrusted with the task of conserving SOS results and reaching more people.

FIELD WORK TIME FRAME

1. **Confront** - throughout the total church planting effort. During fieldwork, it is a daily priority. Through daily prayer and intercession, the team takes the offensive side, not the defensive side.

2. **Contact** - number of days to focus in getting contacts depends on the receptivity of the people. If by the middle of the second week, the targeted number of converts is not reached, some of the team members can still be mobilized to get more new contacts. New contacts towards the end of the 3rd of the week are best to be those invited by the new converts themselves.



3. **Convert** - starts as soon as there are good contacts and openings for Bible study.

4. **Congregate** - some actions related to congregated are also accomplished as convert step activities are done. Deliberate efforts

are to be done in working on the converts to have the characteristic as CORE members.

5. **Consolidate** - made easier through daily updating of records.

THE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE OF AN SOS TEAM

Church planting through SOS is team effort, thus succeeds not only through the talents or skills of one leader, but through the sacrifices and faithfulness of the many team members. An SOS team in a target place is composed of a 15-20 (25 the most) volunteers strongly organized for *CENTRALIZED OPERATIONS and CONTROL to ensure MAXIMUM PARTICIPATION and PRODUCTIVITY OF EACH TEAM MEMBER.*

TEAM OFFICERS:

1. **FIELD DIRECTOR (FD)** - is the over-all leader of the team and manager of the field- work. His focus is the team members, not the converts. The Pioneer Pastor is under him, but he promotes the leadership of the PP among the contacts and converts. He manages the team and navigates the fieldwork to accomplish the specific goals expressed by the pioneer pastor in relation to the new church to be planted.
2. **PIONEER PASTOR (PP)** - works under the leadership of the FD. He concentrates on contacts/converts, and on building relationships with them. He promotes the leadership of the FD among the SOS team members. He articulates to the Field Director his vision and plans for the church to be planted that will help the Field Director in directing the field work.
3. **TEAM OFFICERS** to work under the field Director
 - a. **TEAM SCRIBE** – takes charge of records, supplies, documentation and reporting
 - b. **TEAM COMPTROLLER** – takes care of the finances of the team, oversees kitchen.
4. **THE INTERN FD** - is being trained by the FD in all aspects of Field Management using the 'Tell Me, Show Me, and Let Me' process. The Intern will also serve like an assistant to the FD.

WHY THIS NEW SOS TEAM COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION

(Agreed during July 2014 SOS Evaluation, Confirmed during November 2014) SOS PaghanaS)

1. **SIZE OF TEAM**

SMALLER in number: 15 -20 (maximum 25) depending on the target place
BETTER in quality: volunteers aged 17-65, with ministry preparedness and/or potential
SIMPLER organization: the whole team is like **ONE BIG SQUAD** under the field director.
Team officers will **ONLY** include: Assistant FD (most likely the intern), Team Scribe, Team Comptroller
2. **NO SQUAD LEADERS, NO SQUAD OFFICERS.** Doing away with squad level functions
 - a. Removes 'unhealthy' competition and comparison of results among squads
 - b. Removes temptation to depend on squad results instead of each volunteer working for results.
3. **THE WHOLE TEAM LIKE ONE BIG SQUAD** under the FD
 - a. FD will directly supervise each team member.
 - b. FD can easily shuffle assignments for better follow up work. Assignments are given based on best fit person to follow up a convert. **EVERYONE IS EVERYBODY'S CONTACT/CONVERT.**
 - c. FD and team will have clear, current picture of progress of their work. PP gets to know updates about each convert. Results to better linkage and smooth take-over
4. **LESSER MEETINGS.** No squad level meetings will result to more time for fieldwork. The only regular meeting: **ALL TEAM MEETING UNDER THE FD** during which:
 - a. PP and each volunteer will give performance report for the day.

- b. FD lead team in evaluating results and draw up plans for next day. Volunteers suggest action plans for the next day
- c. FD give directives/assignments for the next day.
- d. Address questions, problem solving, training if needed

5. SIMPLER WORK SCHEDULE

The Daily Field work schedule simplified to include only the necessary:

ALL TEAM MEETING (see details above)	For fruitful field work
SPIRITUAL INSPIRATION and CONFRONT ACTIVITIES (can be done during the FD Meeting or set at another time as needed)	For motivation, keep vigilance and militancy
FIELD WORK As many hours each day in the morning, afternoon and evening based on natural community life in target place	To get contacts, process converts
RECORDING Filling up of IPR Forms Each volunteer will fill up and update IPR forms.	Keep results of daily work, Provide basis for further action
DRILL, EXERCISE, FUN TIME	Fitness, Fun
CAMP LIFE REGULARS Meal times, sleeping, housekeeping, personal hygiene, laundry, rest <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Housekeeping - be limited so as not to interfere with fieldwork. All do cleaning, washing, cooking all at the same time so no one have to stay for housekeeping. b. Washing - Each one wash his own plate after meals. c. Meal times - fieldwork may not allow all to have dinner at the same time d. Cooking - smaller teams does not require too many cooks. A full time cook provided by district will be helpful e. A full time warden is not necessary if quarters can be secured and each volunteer will be responsible in keeping his/her valuables. 	

WHAT ABOUT THE OTHER TEAM FUNCTIONS

If needed, the FD can assign the following functions to able people but on rotation basis so that not one is confined to do a function that will hinder him or her from doing field work.

1. WARDENSHIP: security and time keeping. Each team member should be responsible to take care of his/her belongings and observe agreed camp rules.
2. CHAPLAINCY: counseling of any team member as needed.
3. TRAINING: training of volunteers to address the questions and issues met by the volunteers on field.
4. WORSHIP LEADING: planning and leading worship times for team meetings, seminars and large meetings.
5. CAMP FUN TIME: creating atmosphere of fun in the camp.
6. DRILLS AND EXERCISE: creating militant atmosphere in the camp.
7. Other functions as deemed necessary by the FD:

DETAILS OF THE FIELD WORK ACTION STEPS

CONFRONT: Binding spiritual strongman and demolishing spiritual strongholds through prayer, worship and spiritual warfare

1. WHY CONFRONT: to destroy satanic plans that hinder evangelism
 - a. DECEIVING UNSAVED ABOUT SALVATION. 2 Cor 4:4
 - b. DISABLING GOD'S ARMY – keeping believers from obeying God.
2. ON FIELD ACTIVITIES
 - a. SURVEYING THE LAND - to determine strength of the enemy's influence, locate power bases, and confirm observations about the spirit strongman from survey data.
 - b. INTERCESSION FOR THE LEADERS OF THE TOWN/CITY: Local officials, Chief of Police, Education Heads & Heads of civic action groups. Satan seeks attachment with leaders through whom he can exercise his influence and control over the town/city.
 - c. DAILY PRAISE AND WORSHIP - a daily priority. Dwelling in God's presence for strength and guidance. Bringing in God's Presence in the town/city.
 - d. DAILY WARFARE, INTERCESSION & FASTING - repenting for the sins of the place, waiting for God-given strategy to bind the strongman (may involve a prophetic act to break the wicked dominion) maintaining vigilance, staying in offensive mood.

CONTACT STEP: Linking ourselves with the people

1. OBJECTIVE: To lead people to commit to a bible study (not necessarily to lead the contact to do the Sinner's Prayer). Use the ideas taught on 'How to Motivate People for Bible Study'.
2. METHODS: SOS uses all possible means to get contacts. Applicability varies from place to place. The team must have faith in God, creativity and sensitivity to the Holy Spirit.
 - a. MAKE PRESENCE KNOWN IN THE TARGET PLACE THROUGH AN ALL TEAM FRIENDSHIP TOUR. This is also to test openness of people, observe general reaction of town people to strangers, discern prejudices and resistance
 - b. GETTING GOODWILL OF THE KEY PEOPLE IN TOWN: PIONEER PASTOR and FD make courtesy visit to the city/town officials
 - c. OPERATION SATURATION. After determining area of ministry with the Pioneer Pastor, FD draws up a *systematic and comprehensive way to contact all kinds of people*: the rich & poor, the young & old, people from all walks of life.
 - d. GO WHEREVER AND WHENEVER PEOPLE ARE: Take advantage of the normal life-style and schedule of the people: stores, market, at basketball courts, bus stations
 - e. WORKING SMART. Link with people who are influencers, those who can lead you to more people: the sponsor-type, bridge-type, leaders of groups, heads of webs of relationships, and unchurched Christians.
 - f. NEEDS AND PEOPLE'S INTERESTS ARE OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY: Find a need & fill it, find a hurt & heal it, identify interests and meet it. Examples:
 - 1) House visitation and prayer for the sick as avenue for reception.
 - 2) Practical and charismatic servanthood – offering a helping hand, like fetching water.
 - 3) Prayer Meetings - brief Charismatic-type open to people, usually by PP.
 - 4) Seminars on certain interests – Family Life, Values Formation, etc.
 - 5) Public activities - in street corners, plaza or any place where people gather.

CONVERT STEP: Linking the Contacts with Jesus Christ, Causing Conversion Through Study Bible Studies

1. OBJECTIVE AND SCOPE OF THIS STEP:

- a. Help people experience true conversion
- b. Assist the new believers in their new Christian life

2. METHOD: Teaching the word of god in a bible study. The KEY in all our evangelism effort is the sufficient exposure of the unsaved to the WORD of God. The Word will speak to their hearts and then they will begin to call upon the Lord. Therefore, our effort is to **GET THEM TO STUDY THE WORD OF GOD.**

Rom 10:17 Faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word of Christ.

John 5:24 "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who hears My word, and believes Him who sent Me, has eternal life, and does not come into judgment, but has passed out of death into life.

Rom 1:16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.

3. UNDERSTAND THE CONVERSION PROCESS

It is important that we have the correct understanding of the conversion process. A good conversion experience will produce healthy spiritual children and ensure smooth spiritual development.

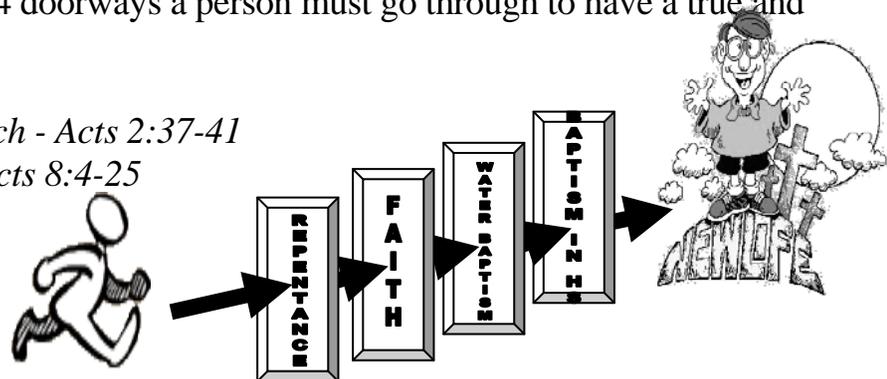
Conversion is a process. In the Scripture, people did not become converts just because they recited the Sinner's Prayer. A study of the experience of NT believers and how the apostles led people to convert to Jesus Christ reveal that the normal Christian birth is a complex of four equally important experiences: repentance, faith, water baptism and baptism in the Holy Spirit. These four experiences are like 4 doorways a person must go through to have a true and healthy conversion.

Christians at the beginning of the church - Acts 2:37-41

The Samaritans in Philip's ministry - Acts 8:4-25

At Cornelius' house - Acts 10

Ephesians believers - Acts



4. LEADING CONTACT THROUGH CONVERSION

- a. USE ONLY THE PRESCRIBED SOS LESSONS facilitate reporting, evaluation of responses, and the follow-up work of the Pioneer Pastor.

DOORWAY	SOS PRESCRIBED LESSON	BEST SETTING
Introductory Lessons	Belief Based on God's Word The Bible is God's Word	One-on-one Small group
Repentance	What Is Sin/The Weight Of Sin Repentance	One-on-one Small group
Faith	Why We Need A Savior Jesus The Savior	One-on-one Small group
Water Baptism	Water Baptism	Seminar, Discipleship Class of Pioneer Pastor
Baptism In The Holy Spirit	Baptism In The Holy Spirit	

- b. TEACH TO CAUSE EXPERIENCE. Do not just teach lessons. As you teach, be conscious that the Holy Spirit anoints the Word and works in the heart of your contact. Discern the 'moments' when a person is ready to receive Christ as Savior and repent of his/her sins.

- c. **EVALUATE THE GENUINENESS OF THE DECISION/RESPONSE.** After the Bible Study time, allow the person to talk about his realizations. Use appropriate questions like:
 - 1) Are you 100% convinced that Jesus is the only Savior?
 - 2) How do you feel after we prayed? Did you feel God really touched you?
 - 3) Do you feel forgiven, as if a heavy load has been lifted off your shoulder?

- d. **ASSIST NEW CONVERT IN HIS/HER NEW LIFE.** Do not stop short in your effort. After leading the person to experience faith and repentance, proceed to assist him in his new life. Using the prescribed lessons, plan your subsequent sessions with the new believer for him/her to
 - 1) Have assurance of salvation
 - 2) See the need and learn how to grow in the new life
 - 3) See the need for fellowship with others
 - 4) Experience as a new believer Bible reading, prayer and telling others about Jesus

CONGREGATE STEP: Linking Converts With One Another and With the Pioneer Pastor

TIME FRAME: Many aspects related to congregate step take place as volunteers do 'convert step' activities. *Start congregate activities specially linking converts with pioneer pastor and with one another as early as possible*

ACTIVITIES:

1. **LINKING** new believers with the Pioneer Pastor and with one another. *New believers can easily feel alienated from their former circle of relationships. They should find security and support in fellowship with other believers and that a Pastor is staying to care for them.*
2. **WORKING ON THE NEW BELIEVERS TO BE THE CORE GROUP.**
Volunteers must be deliberate to cause this: For the converts/new believers to meaningfully and intelligently understand what it means to be the core group of the new church plant. That they are chosen to be the starting group. That God intends to save the rest of the people in the town or city. That they are to take responsible part in conserving and growing the newly planted church under the leadership of their pastor. Suggested things to do:
 - a. Include these ideas in conversations during visits and Bible study times.
 - b. Involve converts in follow-up of other converts and new contacts.
 - c. Enlist converts in functions as directed by the FD-PP tandem
3. **GATHERING IN A GRAND OPENING SERVICE.** This is the first congregational gathering to provide the new church the experience of a celebration atmosphere in thanksgiving for God's saving grace that has come to their place and their lives. The SOS team should focus in gathering the people that they have been processing through the conversion experience for the past 3 weeks. Any new contacts brought to the GOS should be those invited by the converts themselves.
4. **SETTING UP LIFE OF NEW CHURCH**
 - a. Set up discipleship system for the new church
 - b. Congregation/core will be the first enrollees in the Basic Track
 - c. Assist, facilitate for the PP to conduct practical training for functions immediately needed by the new church

NEW GUIDELINES IN IMPLEMENTING THE STRATEGY

These new guidelines have been agreed upon to have maximum results and to facilitate better conservation of the new church plants. (During SOS Paghana, November 2014)

CONTACT STEP

1. Getting contacts is NOT "as soon as possible".
2. Even with some survey info on hand, a THOROUGH OCULAR SURVEY of the should be done to determine actual facts about the place and the people .
 - a. Where the people are
 - b. The culture, interests, uniqueness, life style, community life and patterns
 - c. Sections of the area where you will goal to form large groups
 - d. Sectors and groups in the community with whom you will goal to work with to get key people and form large groups
3. Determine area of ministry
Identify strategic sections of the area
Plan to target people from all over the area of ministry so that your core group members are well spread out in strategic parts
4. Consider
 - a. What the pioneer pastor expressed the kind of new church he wants. Be deliberate in efforts to get the kind of contacts that will help realize the goal of the PP
 - b. Proximity to the would be place of gathering of the new church.
 - c. The housing of the team. Need not be a hindrance to the work
5. Assess the team's resources and capacities in determining contact methods. Be creative, innovative.

CONVERT STEP

1. An identified GAP in our past efforts: Data entries in IPR forms showed that past efforts have been focused only on processing the converts through the 4 doorways. None or too little effort done in assisting the new believers in their new Christian life.
2. This Means more time and more number of visits/connecting with the new converts. But each visit need not be long, but should be interactive and deliberate and practical. Remember we do not teach lessons, but teach them to EXPERIENCE the truth of the lesson.
3. Can a volunteer do the job? A volunteer should focus on at least 3 converts throughout the fieldwork so he can thoroughly process each of them.
Agreed Minimum Figures:
Converts per volunteer: 3
Number of visits, Bible study and follow up per convert: 3-4 per week
This enough to keep the volunteer busy everyday
This scheme will secure at least 50 well processed converts to be turned over to the Pioneer Pastor.
4. NO SEMINAR DURING THE FIRST WEEK END. The time and effort spent for preparing for a Life seminar will be better spent in processing the converts. Consequently, the lesson Belief based on God's word will be the first lesson to teach in Bible studies.

CONGREGATE STEP

1. MAXIMIZE LINKING of converts with the Pioneer Pastor
 - a. The pioneer pastor will not be required to go out to get his own contacts so he can busy himself to link with the converts of the team members.
 - b. If possible to arrange, the Pioneer Pastor actually lead the contact/s in praying the sinner's prayer

- c. As much as possible, the Pioneer Pastor should baptize converts in water.
 - d. Lay hands for people to be baptized in Holy Spirit
 - e. Pioneer pastor should form and conduct small groups: Group Links, Life Groups, etc.
 - f. Pioneer can hold prayer meetings to pray for converts
2. DELIBERATE EFFORT in working on the awareness work and commitment of the new converts as the core of the new church
 C-omitted to the leadership of the Pioneer Pastor.
 O-organized
 R-elated to one another
 E-entrusted with the task of continuing and growing the new church under the PP leadership
3. WEEK END 2 CONGREGATE ACTIVITIES:
 - a. Saturday: Seminar on Baptisms - Water Baptism and Holy Spirit Baptism
 - b. Sunday: Outing Day with converts to foster linking and bonding among the new believers.
4. WEEK END 3
 - a. Early part of third week - PLANNING FOR GOS by FD and PP only with converts. With the volunteers out of the picture, the new believers are conditioned to have ownership of their new church. Meanwhile complete reports on IPR forms and start consolidation.
 - 1) The work of fetching converts to attend the GOS should be assigned to leaders and other converts
 - 2) Attendees in the GOS are the converts and the good contacts that the SOS team members have worked on during the fieldwork period.
 - 3) Any visitor during the GOS must be only those invited by the new converts themselves.
 - b. SET UP THE NEW CHURCH FOR DISCIPLESHIP enroll converts in Discipleship class. Enrollment before and during GOS.

CONSOLIDATE STEP

Summarizing Results To Make Them Manageable For The Pioneer Pastor

This will not be a problem if

1. Volunteers update the IPR forms regularly
2. Team scribes strictly implement guidelines in filling up IPR forms

IDENTIFIED SIDETRACKS TO AVOID

1. Temptation to plan for an R & R – the outing day with converts should be enough. Any further R&R should be that offered by host district after the SOS period.
2. Accommodating District's program like film showing/medical missions that could jeopardize fieldwork
3. Accepting speaking invitations from neighboring A/G churches
4. Attending Festivals and town celebrations
5. Texting and internet. Agree on team policies like:
 - a. No use of cell phones during training sessions, P10.00 fine for violators
 - b. Set cell phone on silent mode during Bible studies
 - c. No calls/texting during sleep time – 10pm to 5am (Volunteers inform family members and pastor to call or text a designated number in case of emergency)

HOW TEAMS ARE FORMED

In a training area where there are several target places, the volunteers are divided into teams of 15-20 depending on the total number of volunteers and the sizes of the target places.



THREE STEPS IN FORMING TEAMS:

1. Classifying The Volunteers

Volunteers have different capacities in the church planting work because of differences in their age, spiritual maturity and ministry experience. In SOS, we want each volunteer to find fulfillment by functioning according to his individual capacity and ministerial readiness. We provide full expression of their talents as well as keep them from fear and frustration due to inability to do an assigned job. Based the Volunteer's Data Form, Volunteer's Testimony and Volunteer's profile, they are classified as:

LIGHT volunteer - new Christians (1-2 years), has no or little ministry exposure

LIFE volunteer - ready to teach & counsel, particularly able to conduct Bible studies and effectively disciple and mentor others.

LEAD volunteer - a LIFE volunteer that has leadership abilities and skills.

Each classification is further broken down to class a or b.

1a Class A LEAD - With proven leadership & teaching ministry

1b Class B LEAD - Has at least a year of experience in leadership and teaching

2a Class A LIFE - Well-experienced in discipling

2b Class B LIFE - Have at least a year experience in BS

3a Class A LIGHT - Have experience in witnessing for Christ

3b Class B LIGHT - Very new, no experience

2. Assigning Code Names. A Code Name Has Three Parts:

Volunteer's Age	A - above 25 yrs. old	B - below 25 yrs. Old	
Volunteer's Sex	M - male	F- female	
Volunteer's Classification	1(a, b) - Lead	2 (a, b) - Life	3 (a, b)- Light

Examples: A 28-year-old experienced male pastor will have a code name: AM1a and a 20-year-old female Bible study leader will have a code name: BF2a.

3. Forming Equally Strong Teams.

We aim for the strength of each team. So, the number of LEAD, LIFE and LIGHT volunteers are equally divided according to the number of teams being formed. Questions in the Volunteer's Data Form are provided to give volunteers the chance to express town assignment preferences. However, only valid reasons will be granted such as health and family considerations. Later requests for change in target place assignment will be considered only if swapping of volunteers with the same code name is possible. Swapping after team assignments have been posted will be managed by the Field Directors.

Note: Members of Church Planting Teams of local churches will be sent to the same target places if doing so will not impede the formation of equally strong teams.

BECOMING STRONGER THAN THE STRONGMAN

WE ARE IN A SPIRITUAL CONFLICT

Eph. 6:10-19 The nature of our enemy: Invisible, "spiritual forces", Innumerable, "forces/hosts", Wicked, "powers of this dark world.. Forces of evil", Well-armed, "schemes, Flaming arrows", Well-Organized, "rulers, authorities.." and Well-Positioned, "in the heavenly realms."

THE CORRECT PICTURE OF THE CHURCH

Matthew 16:13-19 reveals the true and correct picture of the church

1. The true nature of the Church: The Church is Militant (in Conflict)
2. The Church is Triumphant (the gates of hell shall not prevail against it)
3. The Church is Vigilant (aware, active, initiating & aggressive at all times)

THERE ARE THREE LEVELS OF WARFARE.

In Luke 11:21-22 Jesus reveals three levels of warfare and the order in which they be done.

1. **PERSONAL LEVEL.** Winning this level of warfare is where every warrior should start. *"Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you"*. James 4:7,8 *This is becoming stronger than the strongman first*, which means:
 - a. Free from any wicked influence of the enemy that weaken your stand.
 - b. King Jesus rules in his life. The One who is greater than the world is in you. 1John 4:4.
 - c. Strong in the Lord, fully dressed with the full armor of God for battle. "Eph.6:10
2. **TERRITORIAL LEVEL.** The strongman is a general title for a ruling demon in a territorial area. He controls the spiritual atmosphere; dominates behavior of its residents, influences leaders and guards them as his prisoners. Nobody can touch him until a stronger one comes. But a church that has become stronger can attack and overpower him.
3. **MINISTERIAL LEVEL.** After overpowering the strongman, the stronger than the strongman can now take the spoils of war and set the victims free.

WHAT ARE STRONGHOLDS AND HOW ARE THEY FORMED

1. A stronghold is a territorial fortresses of evil in a person, the compromised area of the Christian's life because of unrepented sin, evil habits, wrong attitudes, immature character, evil thoughts, where Satan takes advantage to influence, to condemn, to dominate & defeat the Christian soldier, 2Co 10:4-5. **Illustration:** *Peter, open to revelation from God, open to satanic influence. Matthew 16:17-19, 21-23*
2. HOW STRONGHOLDS ARE FORMED
 - a. **SOURCE: WRONG ATTITUDES ROOTED IN SINFUL MAN.** Because of the sinful nature, man has strong desire to have his own will & way, to serve self.
 - b. **STATE OF THE MIND FORMED.** 2Cor. 10:4-5 say that strongholds are reasoning of the mind that prevents true obedience.
 - c. **STRONGHOLDS SOWN IN YOUNGER YEARS.** Psalm 129
 - 1) **Inherited:** Some strongholds started in your family and are passed down to you. ILLUS. Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Patriarchs- cheating & lying.
 - 2) **Learned:** Picked up from parents, families & friends, through interaction, modeling, marital and parental roles, family values, and methods of discipline.

- 3) Afflicted from youth: pre-birth events, womb environment Pain from traumas, child abuse, death of loved one, broken homes.
- d. **THROUGH THINGS WE ALLOW TO ENTER OR STAY IN OUR LIVES**: lust, pride, bitterness and unforgiveness, evil thoughts, curses, generation spirits, love of the world, partaking of the Devil through vices, drugs, the occult

MANIFESTATIONS OF STRONGHOLDS

How strongholds manifest in our lives is better understood when we see them as having shapes. *“A voice of one calling: “In the desert prepare the way for the Lord; make straight in the wilderness a highway for our God...Every VALLEY shall be raised up, every MOUNTAIN and HILL made low; the ROUGH ground shall become level, the*

RUGGED places a plain.”Isa.40:3-5.Examples:

1. Mountains – pride, rebellion, unteachableness, superiority, anger, need to control
2. Valleys – rejection, self-pity, critical, withdrawal, guilt and shame, loss of emotional feeling, over sensitiveness, etc.
3. Rough – unfaithfulness, inconsistent
4. Rugged (Crooked) – immorality, addiction to sin,

WE CAN BE STRONGER THAN THE STRONGMAN!

Isaiah 40:3 - 5NIVA voice of one calling: “In the desert prepare the way for the LORD; make straight in the wilderness a highway for our God. Every valley shall be raised up, every mountain and hill made low; the rough ground shall become level, the rugged places a plain. And the glory of the LORD will be revealed, and all mankind together will see it. or the mouth of the LORD has spoken.” (also Luke 3:4-6)

1. Realizing the problem: being tune with God but also in tune with the devil, being at one time “blessed”, another time “stumbling block” to Christ! - Like Peter Matthew 16:20-23.
2. The Way to victory: Repentance "Prepare the Way of the Lord, make straight paths for Him" Valleys: depressed areas of life – are filled
Mountains and Hills: Lofty and Wilful Pride of heart and mind – brought low
Crooked Roads: Evil and wickedness – made straight
Rough Ways: the up & down disposition, unfaithfulness – made smooth
3. RESULT: A Highway! “And all people will see God’s Salvation!”, “The glory of the Lord will be revealed, and all mankind together will see it!”

MOTIVATING PEOPLE TO A BIBLE STUDY

BY USE OF ILLUSTRATIONS - In the course of your conversation, tell your contact any of the following illustrations to show the importance Bible study

1. Riding a bus without reading the sign board
2. Ignorance of the law excuses no man
3. Fish that was indoctrinated to fear water
4. Standard weighing scale provided by government
5. Judging a book by its cover, refusing food without tasting

BY USE OF CHALLENGE QUESTIONS, insert any of these in conversation:

1. ON FREEDOM OF RELIGION – “The law provides freedom of religion. Did you have a chance to choose your religion or somebody else did it for you? Did you have a chance to consider the claims of the Bible?” THEN SAY: “You see, the reason Jesus commanded the disciples to preach the Gospel is NOT TO IGNORE your freedom but TO DIGNIFY it by giving you a chance to believe or reject.”
2. ON THE COMMON STATEMENT: ‘I ALSO BELIEVE IN GOD’ – “If you believe in God, what about God do you believe in? Do you know WHAT He wants you to believe? What promises does He want you to believe?” THEN SAY: “You see, we need the Bible in order TO KNOW WHAT GOD COMMANDS US to believe or do.” Jesus said, “*You are in error because you do not know the Scriptures or the power of God.*” MAT 22:29
3. TO THE PRAYERFUL – “Do you believe that God will answer prayers? The people who listen to God will have a God that listens to them”. This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. 1JO 5:14
4. TO THE POPE DIEHARD: “The Pope commanded us to read the Bible 15 minutes daily. Are you doing it?”
5. TO THE PRIEST DIEHARD: “How do we know that the preacher (priest or pastor) is teaching us the truth”? The Apostle Paul praised the Bereans for they checked what they heard. ACT 17:11-12
6. TO THE ONE WHO PRAYS ‘OUR FATHER’: “Would you say that God is your heavenly Father?” He who claims God to be His father, hears the Word of God. JOH 8:42-47
7. TO HIM WHO SAYS HE BELIEVES IN JESUS: “Are you a believer of Jesus?” Jesus said that the true disciples are those who abide in His Word. JOH 8:30-36
8. TO PARENTS: “Do you teach your children in righteousness? What is your basis of correction & instruction”? The Bible is given for instruction in righteousness. 2TI 3:15-17.
9. TO THOSE WHO DO NOT WANT TO BE DECEIVED: Satan is a deceiver and his chief advantage over a person is ignorance of God’s Word.” EPH 6:12-17
10. “Are you a lover of truth? The Word of God is the Truth.” JOH 17:17

BY USE OF TESTIMONY.

Tell of your own testimony or another person's testimony that you know of. At the end of the testimony, emphasize the role of the Word of God in the experience.

CONVERSATIONAL WITNESSING

Conversational witnessing is a spontaneous dialogue with an unsaved person that should lead to spiritual things and ultimately to the issue of salvation. It is a tool in getting contacts and leading people to a decision to accept Jesus Christ as Savior.

FIVE-STEPS WITNESSING DIALOGUE

START A CONVERSATION - small finger, start with simple topic

SPOT A READY HEART - ring finger, attached to the heart

SHIFT TO SPIRITUAL THINGS - middle finger, the shift

SHOW HOW TO BE SAVED - pointer finger, point to Christ

SECURE A GENUINE DECISION - thumb, thumbs up! Job done!

THE CRUCIAL PART - THE SHIFT - Conversation starters can be any topic common to both of you. As you flow in your conversation, be aware of your purpose to share Jesus. Listen to spot a ready heart and from there shift the conversation to spiritual things. The shift can be:

1. From Natural need to Spiritual need.
2. From Religious things to Experience of Salvation.
3. From Human methods to Bible way of getting saved.
4. From giving information to challenging the will.
5. From natural events to spiritual implications

THE CONVERSATION STARTERS

No matter what the previous topic was, at the appropriate time, you can shift the conversation by using the following series of questions that will possibly enable you to introduce your contact to the gospel message.

1. **BY THE WAY HAVE YOU EVER GIVEN MUCH THOUGHT TO SPIRITUAL THINGS?**
2. You know, people are talking so much about physical and financial needs but our spiritual need is the most important. **WHAT WOULD YOU SAY IS MAN'S GREATEST SPIRITUAL NEED?**
3. God tells us that man's greatest spiritual need is a real experience of salvation. **HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT ABOUT YOUR OWN NEED OF SALVATION?**
4. **WHAT WOULD YOU SAY A PERSON NEEDS TO DO TO BE SAVED?**(If he says, "I don't know" then present your outline from the Bible. Else, proceed to 5)
5. Yes, you're right. Everyone ought to do those things. But what I really meant was, **HOW DO YOU GO ABOUT RECEIVING SALVATION?**
6. Yes, and you know, it's even simpler than that. **CAN I SHOW YOU 3 OR MORE VERSES** (casually pull out/open your New Testament) **ABOUT WHAT THE BIBLE SAYS A PERSON MUST DO TO RECEIVE SALVATION?**

GOSPEL PRESENTATION TO THE READY: Four Things You Must Do

1. Admit That You Are A Sinner

Romans 3:10 --- "As it is written, There is no one righteous, not even one."

Romans 3:23 --- "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."

Romans 5:12 --- "Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all men, because all sinned."

Because we have a sinful nature we have all committed acts of sin, thus we are all guilty before God.

2. Admit That You Owe A Penalty For Sin

Romans 6:23 --- "For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Jesus Christ our Lord."

Revelation 20:14 --- "Then death and hell were thrown into the lake of fire. The lake of fire is the second death."

Because God is a holy God He cannot allow sin to go unpunished.

3. Accept God's Payment For Your Sin

Romans 5:8-9 --- "But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him!"

God sent His Son Jesus Christ to pay sin's penalty for us. God is satisfied with what Jesus has done.

4. Ask and Trust Christ To Save You

Acts 3:19 --- "Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord."

Romans 10:9-10 --- "That if you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved."

Revelation 3:20 --- "Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with him, and he with me."

CHALLENGE: We are saved by confessing and turning away from our sin and trusting Christ to save us. Do you believe that Jesus is the Son of God, that he died for your sins, and by believing you are saved?

PRAYER: "Heavenly Father, I admit that I am a sinner and need your forgiveness and mercy. I know that it is only you who can save me and give me eternal life. Lord Jesus, I believe that you died for my sins. I thank you for the sacrifice you gave for me on that cross. I now ask you and trust you to forgive my sins and come into my heart. Cleanse me with your precious blood. Help me to follow You as the Lord of my life. In Jesus' Holy Name, Amen."

ASSURING THE NEW BELIEVER: Saved And Sure!

Our assurance of eternal life is based on the promise of God's Word, not our feelings.

John 3:36 --- "Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life, but whoever rejects the Son will not see life, for God's wrath remains on him."

John 5:24 --- "I tell you the truth, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be condemned; he has crossed over from death to life."

1 John 5:11-13 --- "And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life. I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life."

RECORDING RESULTS

IMPORTANCE OF RECORDS

All the effort, time and money spent will be wasted if at the end, the Pioneer Pastor does not have a functional record of his members. It is like going out to fish, having a big catch, but placing the fishes in a basket with holes. In SOS, we are using the Individual Progress Report (IPR) Form to record all information about each contact and convert. The IPR forms will serve as the initial church record of the new church.



GUIDELINES IN USING IPR FORM

1. **CUSTODY.** To avoid loss, the IPR forms are in the custody of the Team Scribe. The volunteers do not bring the forms with them to the field. They will need a small notebook as in which they will temporarily record results of their work.
2. **DAILY RECORDING.** The volunteers accurately and neatly transfers all relevant results of the fieldwork in the IPR from their notebooks. The Team Scribe should strictly oversee this work. The FD should designate a time slot in the daily work schedule for this.
3. **DAILY EVALUATING.** FD evaluates the reports to determine activities, work concentration, priority visits, assignments, and training content for the next day.
4. **SUMMARIZING.** At the end of the SOS work, all information recorded about each person will be summarized and his/her final status determined.
5. **ARRANGING.** The IPR forms are to be arranged alphabetically or geographically for easy reference.
6. **TURNING OVER TO THE PP.** All the IPR forms are to be turned over to the Pioneer Pastor in bound form along with the Consolidation & Conservation Booklet.

STARTING WELL AND FINISHING WELL

FIRST DAY ACTIVITIES

1. Set up camp quarters & secure facilities
 - a. Light and water supply, bathrooms and toilets
 - b. Sleeping quarters, kitchen and dining areas
 - c. Meeting area and office area
2. Agree on camp life procedures and house rules
3. Comprehensive ocular survey of the place
4. Determine Area of ministry
5. First All team meeting : Start right with God - Praise, Worship, Prayer, Intercession & Warfare,
6. Get enough sleep during the first night!

LAST DAY ACTIVITIES

The fieldwork period is scheduled to include the Monday after the 3rd Sunday on field. Team should leave on Tuesday to give ample time for the following:

1. FD to sit down with PP for final instructions on conservation plans.
2. Team scribe to complete Consolidation & Conservation Booklet and see to it that it is placed in the hands of the Pioneer Pastor together with the IPR forms. Gather extra supplies of Bibles, forms and tracts, as well as personal supplies to be left for the Pioneer Pastor's use.
3. Team Comptroller to finalize Comptroller's Logbook for Submission to SOS Finance Officer
4. Team warden assigned to make inventory of equipment and cooking utensils to be returned to designated person/s.
5. To leave a good impression in the target place:
 - a. FD to visit and thank city/town officials
 - b. Return keys, deliver gift/donation, pay bills.
 - c. Clean the kitchen, front and back yards, rooms used and throw garbage.

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