

BLOCK FELLOWSHIP

This idea is still in the developing stage, but could contain some of the following ideas to help you build a relationship with your block of neighbors. Having a presence of the Lord but not in a churchy way, just being supportive to the sponsoring family.

Backyard BBQ.
Block VBS
Holiday block parties
Sled riding parties
This is just the beginning

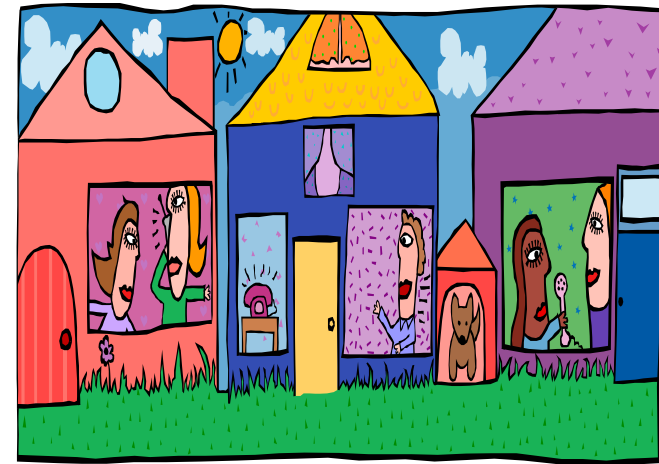


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REACHING ONE BLOCK AT A TIME

A Milford Assembly of God Ministry

We've seen over the past years the need to have an outreach ministry for our church that is effective. It is our mission to reach all with the Gospel, requiring a focused plan with a target and the necessary resources to fulfill that plan.

The first thing that needs to be addressed: Who is our target? The answer to that question would come from the people that are around us, our friends, neighbors, and families. These are the people we have the most opportunity to reach, invite them to our church, and pray for them if they have special needs.

There are those that will be in your spear of influence that go to a Bible believing church. We will not bring confusion by trying to bring them to our church. This in no way limits the number of souls that need to be reached. Statistics shown that about 85% of the population say they believe in God and consider themselves Christians; only about 20% of the population goes to church and only about 5% go to an evangelical church. That means that 95% of the people around you need to be invited to church and presented with the life changing Gospel.

Let's work together, expecting the manifestations of the Holy Spirit. Remember God is with you and will help you to succeed in this great adventure.

CARING

This ministry is one that can be simple and yet so powerful. It will



require us to come out of our comfort zone and decide are we willing to put forth the effort to win over our neighbors, friends and families?

MAG has shown love, care and compassion for its members in time of need, people giving sacrificially for other within the church, bringing us closer together. Just think if we take that to our block and show the same love and care for others that the church hasn't met yet. Remember, the people who live on your block are just future MAG attendees.

WHAT We would offer to bring food and provide help (financial, household or transportation) to those who are in need for a short time.

WHO Knowing we are not able to help everyone we will need to focus on the following guidelines:

They do not belong to a Bible believing church that should be ministering to their needs.

This will be a "Short Term" assistance (surgery, childbirth accident or death in family etc.). Something that we could offer our help for roughly a week and do some good.

They should be someone that you know and you are willing to be the contact person for the church. The whole church will help, but you need to know the situation and keep in close contact with them. You will be the person who will be there and eventually invite them to church or lead them to the Lord.

It would be case by case, be sure you do not make any commitment for the church until you have approval from the church.

HOW This will take some creative help in developing. I ask all of the Church Family to pray and come up with ideas that are lead by the Holy Spirit. We want this to show the Heart of the Lord, and not to embarrass them. Here are some ideas to help generate some new ideas:

Once every couple of weeks cook a double amount of a meal, freeze it, and box it to be placed in the freezer for future use. We would make a call and have you bring in a dish for a meal.

There would need a need for money to be given into the benevolence fund. We would from time to time receive special offerings to cover any additional cost that may occur.

We need a contact person for this ministry to oversee it and make sure that all is in order.

WHEN Now, let's start hearing from you as soon as possible. We need to see to what extent this can be used.

WHAT A package with church information with a letter explaining why we are sharing the love of Christ with them.

Some individual food containers, maybe like meals on wheels would provide.

Your prayers, participation, and love for the lost.

The "**Bless You cards**" would be great to include in this.

Baby clothing would be a great birth gift.

BLOCK CARE



Mission: Working together building safer neighborhoods with the help of the church.

Purpose: A commitment to build safer neighborhoods by providing support, guidance, training and resource materials to develop and operate Block Care programs.

Goal: To build a caring community that aids in the care and fellowship. Communications to help us share love with our neighbors, reduce crime through community participation and ultimately are able to build a relationship where you can share the Good News.

How: First we must make contact with the families on the block we live. After making contact you can share your name, phone number and email address. Let them know if they are in need or have a special prayer request they are welcome to contact you. It would be the perfect opportunity to let them see the love of Jesus; don't hesitate to pray with them if there is a need or concern that is weighing them down. Take cookies on the 1st visit to give or to share with them. If you are invited into their home take the time to listen (this may be your only chance to witness to them).