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**OUTREACH
TRAINING
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PURSUING HIS PRESENCE

BRINGING HIS KINGDOM



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THE VISION

Heart City Church is a community pursuing His presence, bringing His kingdom.

MISSION

Focus on Jesus + Love People Well = Make a Difference

OUTREACH STRUCTURE

- 2nd Sunday of each month.
- Who can join? ANYONE!
- Will go out in pairs of 2 to 3 people.
- **2:30pm:** Meet at Heart City Church
- **2:30pm-3:00pm:** Outreach training and group assignments
- **3:00pm-3:15pm:** Travel to outreach location (will change each week and will be communicated during training session).
- **3:15pm-4:30pm:** Outreach
- **4:45pm:** Meet at designated debriefing place (will change each week and will be communicated during training session).
- **5:30pm:** Travel back to Heart City for 6pm service

CORE VALUES AND BOUNDARIES

- It's always God's will to heal as demonstrated by the life of Jesus.
- It's impossible to pray and nothing happen.
- We focus on the answer, not the problem.
- The answer, Jesus, is always bigger than the problem or its cause.
- Ministry operates from personal intimacy with God.
- There is no formula. Be natural and normal.
- Always honor people with love and respect.
- Bring people into an experience with the Holy Spirit.
- Release God's love and the Father's heart.
- Encourage, exhort, and comfort others by speaking life into their lives.
- We use every encounter as an opportunity to invite them to Heart City and grow their relationship with Jesus.

WE DO NOT:

- Use the time to rebuke, counsel, direct or preach.
- Give specific directional words.
- Find or expose people's sin.
- Promote our own way of ministering.



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HOW TO APPROACH PEOPLE:

- Say hello and tell them your name.
- Tell them you are a Christian from Heart City Church and were wondering if there was anything you can pray for them for.
- While your partner is introducing you, ask the Lord:
 - What do you love about this person?
 - How do you want me to encourage this person?
- If they don't ask for specific prayers, ask them if you can pray a blessing over them.

PRAYER MODEL:

- Begin and end each prayer with thanksgiving. If you see God moving, take time to thank him for what you are witnessing. (1 Thess. 2:18)
- Always point people to Jesus, and pray specifically for what they have asked for prayer for.
- If you get a prophetic word or word of knowledge from the Lord, share it with the person. Remember, the prophetic is always meant for encouragement and edification. No negative words. No definitive words - you may preface with "I feel the Lord saying" or "I feel in my spirit."
- Pray from a place of victory, not for victory. (Ephesians 2:6)
- It is not about your correct wording when you pray, it is about what he did on the cross.
- Operate from compassion, not sympathy.
- Remind yourself, its just as easy for God to heal cancer as it is for Him to heal a headache.
- Honor the person.
 - Give the person your undivided attention.
 - Don't tell people they are healed. Let them tell you. Let the doctor tell them.
 - Don't ever tell someone to stop taking their medication.
 - Don't give excuses why people weren't healed by saying things like, "Well, its all in God's timing."
- Pray short prayers and have them test their body out. Do not pray past the miracle.
- Don't disregard your thoughts while ministering to a person. You have the mind of Christ (1 Cor. 2:16). Jesus might have you minister two completely different ways to two people who have the same condition.
- When the sick come, they will hang onto every word you say, so be careful what you say.
- Always instill hope and encouragement. If you don't get a prophetic word or word of knowledge, pray blessings and/or scripture over the person.
- Never blame the person for not getting his/her breakthrough.
- Don't blame God. The shortfall is never on His end.
- Remember, never take the person's burden because they weren't healed. Instead allow that burden to push you closer into Jesus. Give Him both the glory of what took place and the burden for what didn't.

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HOW TO LEAD SOMEONE TO JESUS:

Every believer is commissioned to lead people to Jesus. It's important that we feel confident in knowing how to lead people to Jesus when they want to give their lives to Him.

Basic steps to leading someone to Jesus:

- Ask the person if they know Jesus.
- Explain the love of God and that Jesus was sent to restore us to the Father through a relationship with Him. (John 3:16, Romans 10:9, Ephesians 2:8)
- Ask the person if they would like to receive Jesus into their heart.
- Ask permission to lead them in a prayer to accept Jesus as their Lord and Savior. (Matt. 10:32)
- Encourage them to begin to read their bible, get plugged into a church, invite them to Heart City, and tell someone about their decision.

PRACTICAL TIPS WHEN PRAYING:

- Use breath mints. Be hygienic. Don't blow on people.
- Don't pray over people in loud tongues and draw attention to yourself.
- No pushing or heavy hands.
- Always have a prayer partner present for accountability.
- Don't pray something over people that you would not want prayed over yourself.
- Ask for permission before you lay hands on others.
- Be aware of inappropriate bodily contact.

HOW TO END YOUR MINISTRY TIME:

- End it as soon as the person is healed. Don't pray past the miracle.
- Bless them.
- Thank them for allowing you to pray for them.
- Leave the person in a place of faith.
- Always leave them encouraged. You may tell them that miracles often happen on the way home or several days later.
- Encourage them to come to Heart City Church for more prayer.

ALWAYS REMEMBER:

God has called you to do greater things than Jesus! "Whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father." (John 14:12).

COME WITH EXPECTATION AND THE ATTITUDE THAT TODAY IS A GREAT DAY FOR A MIRACLE!