

GO SHARE DAY IDEAS

CHRISTIAN STUDENTS, YOUTH GROUPS, AND LEADERS REACHING OUT TO PRAY, CARE, AND SHARE THE LAST SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH 2021

PRAYER IDEAS

SCHOOL-CAMPUS PRAYER-WALK

Prayer-walk with your youth group students around a school campus (or campuses) where they attend. There are two elements that will make this a powerful experience for your students. First, before you begin the actual prayer-walk, have your students text at least one friend who is not a believer, asking them: "How can I pray for you?" (see questions below, in "Text a Friend"). Then, prayer-walk around the campus, using the following outline:

- 1) On your first lap around the campus, intercede on behalf of the spiritually lost:
 - for strongholds to be torn down that are impacting the campus and students.
 - for the deep hurt, brokenness, and hopelessness students are experiencing.
 - for students to recognize their sin and its eternal consequences: separation and Hell.
 - for hearts and minds to be open to the love and truth of Jesus Christ.
- 2) On your second lap, pray for students and the mission God has called us to:
 - for them to have loving boldness and compassion to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ.
 - for churches/youth groups/campus ministries to partner together to reach the school.
 - for students to put their faith and trust in Jesus Christ.
 - for revival and awakening to take place at the school.

Ask your students to continue to engage the lost friend they texted. Have them pray for their friend's specific requests, in the midst of praying through the above outline. Encourage them to look for an opportunity to share the Gospel while texting their friend, or have them follow up with their friend in person or over the phone to talk about the Gospel.

TEXT A FRIEND

Have students text these two questions to a friend:

- How are you holding up during the pandemic?
- How can I pray for you?

Tell the students: Based on how engaged your friend is in texting you back, use this opportunity to begin sharing the Gospel with them. Be sure to follow up with your friend in a few days to see how things are going with them in regards to the prayer request(s) they shared with you and to continue your Gospel conversation.

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DOOR-TO-DOOR CANNED-FOOD DRIVE

Go door-to-door in a neighborhood, collecting canned/nonperishable food items to donate to a local food bank. Thank the people you talk to for serving their community, and then ask how you can pray for them. After praying for them, ask if you can share the Gospel with them using your preferred way to do that: the *Life in 6 Words* app, The Four wristband, the Three Circles, etc.

SHARE THE LOVE CARDS

Purchase a pack of Share the Love cards, which provide creative, “grab-bag” ideas your group can use to care for your community. Each card features a specific suggestion of how your students can share Jesus’s love in a practical way, whether it be buying someone a cup of coffee, complimenting a stranger, or using a conversation-starter question to talk to someone about God’s love. (\$5 to \$8 for packs of 20 to 30 cards; sharethelovecards.com)

GOODIE BAG DROP-OFFS

Have students assemble goodie bags for unsaved friends, using items such as candy, soda, microwave popcorn, and the like. (You can have them decorate the outside of the bags before filling them.) Then students can add either a simple note—telling their friends that Jesus loves them and that they’re thankful for their friendship—or a longer letter that explains the Gospel. Pray over the bags, and then deliver them to the friends’ homes. If the friend is there, the student can introduce the friend to other youth group members and explain that they’re giving them the bag because they care about them. If the friend isn’t home, they can leave the bag on the porch or with a family member (make sure the friend’s name is on the bag). Encourage students to follow up with their friends later in the day, using the letter or the bag as a springboard for a Gospel conversation.

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EVANGELISM: EASY AS 1-2-3!

The idea is simple: 1 message (the Gospel), 2 hours, 3 Gospel conversations.

This is a weatherproof and pandemic-proof way for each student to start at least 3 Gospel conversations within the span of 2 hours. Here’s how it might look:

- 5:00 p.m. – Pizza dinner as students arrive
- 5:15 p.m. – Train your students in your preferred way to share the Gospel
- 5:45 p.m. – Gospel Conversation #1: Social Media Post
- 5:50 p.m. – Gospel Conversation #2: Letter Writing
- 6:20 p.m. – Student Testimonies
- 6:40 p.m. – Gospel Conversation #3: Text or Call a Friend
- 6:50 p.m. – Celebration: ice cream sandwiches and popsicles
- 7:00 p.m. – Dismiss

Gospel Conversation #1: Social Media Post

Have students post the following statement on social media: “Describe your life using 6 words.” or “What 6 words would you use to describe your life?” Students can use the 6-word responses as a bridge to share the Gospel, using Dare 2 Share’s 6-word acrostic (for details, download the *Life in 6 Words* app from the App Store or Play Store). This Gospel-conversation starter can easily lead to multiple conversations, depending on how many people respond to students’ posts.

Gospel Conversation #2: Letter Writing

Provide pens, paper, envelopes, and stamps for each student to write a letter to a friend they want to share the Gospel with. Students who come with an address can drop their letter in the mail during the event. Students who don’t have an address can commit to hand-delivering the letter.

Gospel Conversation #3 - Text or Call a Friend

Have students text a friend with a Gospel-conversation starter, such as: “How can I pray for you?” or “What 6 words would you use to describe your life?” Students who call a friend can use these questions to start their phone conversation as well. Encourage them to find a way to turn the conversation to the Gospel and have them give their friend the opportunity to respond.

VIDEO TESTIMONY

Encourage students to record a video of themselves sharing their story of when and how they put their faith in Christ. Have them share the Gospel in the video—using The Four, Three Circles, the G.O.S.P.E.L., or whatever they prefer—and send it to a friend via text message or social media.

Add your ideas! *GO SHARE DAY is the cooperative effort of churches and organizations committed to taking the love and truth of Christ to students and adults at this critical time in our world. Click [here](#) to pass along your own GO SHARE DAY best practices.*