



## ABC's of Faith Sharing Moments Practical Suggestions for Everyday Witnessing

- A**lways be prepared to share the Gospel message with another.
  - B**usiness card: include Bible verse, invitation and information about worship. Leave with waitress staff, cashiers, business acquaintances.
  - C**rosses and religious jewelry: This is often the springboard to a conversation about faith.
  - D**are2share: a website for training teenagers to transform their world culture. Great location for resources in 'redeeming the culture', using current events and media as springboard into faith discussions.
  - E**ncourage sharing of key learnings from worship, Sunday school, Bible study with your family members so that they will be prepared to share it with others during the week.
  - F**ollow up with friends and neighbors whom you have invited to come to church. Offer to take them with you or to meet you there.
  - G**od bless you! This closing blessing can be the opening of a conversation of grace.
  - H**ost a new neighbor's dessert or picnic when someone new moves in. Have a "welcome to my church" information bag ready for them to take home.
  - I**nvide your neighborhood children to come with you to Vacation Bible School. Offer to drive them or to meet them there and then escort them to their rooms, introducing them to teachers and helpers.
  - J**oin a local community group so that you have opportunity to interact with unchurched/unreached people in your neighborhood. Offer to coach a children's sports team, or serve on a community watch program, or get involved in a neighborhood clean-up day. Always with the mind ready for that opportunity to share Christ in your actions and in your conversations.
  - K**eep your sharing efforts ever before the Lord. Pray that the Holy Spirit will direct you, grant you the words to say, and give you eyes to see the opportunity.
  - L**isten to those who are around you. Seek to understand their journey and their search for relationship with The One who loves them with an eternal love, Jesus Christ.
  - M**y Space: incredible place for on-line witness moment or personal faith story.
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- N**ew Testaments are great gifts to give to people. As you share what Jesus is doing in your life, you may want to leave them with a copy of the Bible.
- O**pen the possibilities of transforming your neighborhood through prayer walking. Commit to regularly walking through the neighborhood, praying for the work of the Holy Spirit in preparing hearts and making people receptive to hearing the Gospel. Be open to the ways in which God will lead you to share with your neighbors as you prayer walk.
- P**ray at meal time – even in the public places and ask your waiter if you can pray for him/her.
- Q**uiet deeds of kindness result in conversations of explanation, then grace. A plate of cookies during a time of pressure or stress, a bottle of water during the hot days of summer, assistance in raking leaves or shoveling snow.
- R**emember birthdays, baptisms, first communions, confirmations, anniversaries, weddings, funerals, graduations, birth or adoption of a child, a move into a new home or apartment, and job transitions as special times when a word of blessing and affirmation can be shared through cards, letters, phone calls or in person.
- S**hare with those who in need, thus modeling hospitality and care with another.
- T**racts are a wonderful tool to use in sharing the Gospel. Hand them out, leave them behind, include them in your mail. Don't forget there are wonderful bilingual tracks available.
- U**se 'God-language' in your conversations, especially at home with children and friends.
- V**oicemail: add a blessing, Bible Verse, personal testimony (quick one).
- W**ebpage: use your favorite Bible verse, invitation to worship, personal testimony.
- X**pect to meet at least one person each day with whom you are blessed to share a word of hope and encouragement.
- Y**ou are my witness in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. Acts 1:8
- Z**est: Let your zest for God's gift of grace flavor every conversation (Colossians 4:6) so that your light will shine before others that they may see your good works and praise your Father in heaven (Matthew 5: 16). Don't be afraid to commit Bible verses to memory. The Lord has a way of putting them in your conversations at the most critical of moments.

