

QUICK START GUIDE

A single 5-hour workshop will NOT all by itself change your culture. Rather, it helps you see where you are, where you could be, and places you in a good position to start building your congregation's outreach culture. Here are some steps you can take to get going.

- Use the Let's GO Bible Study in your main adult bible study class start within two weeks of the EVERYONE OUTREACH workshop.
- □ Council discussion first council meeting after the workshop
 - 1. Have your congregational leaders read **The Targeted Culture Shift** (p. 10-13) as prep work for the council meeting. Then discuss the following questions:
 - What struck you as you read through The Targeted Culture Shift?
 - How did our shared thought habits in these areas show up in the workshop?
 - Do all five FROM|TOs apply to our congregation?
 - Is one of the Tos already a strength that we can build upon?
 - Which one of the FROM|Tos might be our biggest challenge to shift?

HINT: Give each question enough space for a <u>thorough discussion</u>. Getting as many viewpoints as possible on the table will create a richer, more vivid picture and help build the culture.

 Have your congregational leaders read The Pastor's Role in Building an Outreach Culture (p. 14 & 15) as prep work for the council meeting. Then discuss what tasks or activities will come off pastor's plate for him to have time to spend with the unchurched.

HINT: Don't discuss IF something comes off the plate, but rather WHAT comes off the plate. Culture change doesn't occur by keeping things exactly the same!

- Run Scripted Play #1: Welcoming | Belonging Brainstorming (p. 18-20) within six weeks of the workshop, but after the council meeting above. Use a simpler brainstorming approach if you wish; just capture people's ideas and implement them!
- Run a 2-month trial of EVERYONE OUTREACH Monthly Meeting Starters (see 1st paragraph on p. 33) in all groups/areas of ministry (Yes, choir, Sunday school teachers meeting, board of trustees, etc.) and ask for feedback after the 2nd month (e.g., What discussions did these generate? Are you doing anything new or different as a result? Do you plan on continuing use in your group?)