

**REACHING OUT TOGETHER**  
**40 Days of Community - Part 2 of 6**  
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“... you are standing together side by side with one strong purpose--to tell the Good News.”  
Ph. 1:27b (LB)

“You’ve been my partners in spreading the Good News about Christ.”  
Ph. 1:5 (NLT)

**HOW CAN OUR SMALL GROUP “PARTNER” TO SHARE THE GOOD NEWS WITH OTHERS?**

**Pray TOGETHER**

“Pray for us that God will give us an opportunity to tell people his message.”  
Col. 4:3 (NCV)

**Action Step:** Make a group prayer list with the ‘Circle of life’.

**Appeal TO COMMON INTERESTS**

“Whatever a person is like, I try to find common ground with him so that he will let me tell him about Christ and let Christ save him. I do this to get the Gospel to them and also for the blessing I myself receive when I see them come to Christ.”  
1Cor. 9:22-23(LB)

**Action Step:** Discover the common interests in your group.

**Reaching OUT IN LOVE**

“Because we loved you, we were happy to share not only God's Good News with you, but even our own lives.”  
1 Th. 2:8 (NCV)

**Action Step:** Ask God to give you a deeper love for others.

**Tell your story**

“You are... God's instruments to do his work and speak out for him, to tell others of the night-and-day difference he made for you.”  
1 Peter 2:9 (Mes)

**Action Step:** Write out your story & share it with your small group

**Nurture Friendships**

“Be friendly with everyone. Don't be proud and feel that you are smarter than others. Make friends with ordinary people.”  
Rom. 12:16 (CEV)

**Action Step:**  
Bring a friend to your small group activities or outreaches.

**Expect God to Act**

“Faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see.”  
Heb. 11:1 (NIV)

**Action Step:** Never give up on anyone.

**Represent Christ With Your Lives**

“Whatever you do or say, let it be as a representative of the Lord Jesus.”  
Col. 3:17 (NLT)

“Do all you can to live a peaceful life. Take care of your own business, and do your own work. If you do, people who are not believers will respect you.”  
1 Thes. 4:11-12a (NCV)

**Action Step:** Pray to God, “Use me”