

Serve Outside



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In a nutshell:

We at Friendship can't just "sit and sing." We must go, globally and locally (glocally) to make a difference in the world for Jesus Christ.

Icebreaker:

Have you ever been on an international missions trip? (Canada does not count. Nor does Cancun. Sorry.) Describe the experience to your group.

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Glocal. Tommy and Celia defined "glocal" as global (worldwide, international) plus local (Limestone County).

Discuss: Do you lean towards global or local missional opportunities? What would it take for you to do both?

Small Things. "Small things, done with great love, can change the world." (Steve Sjogren)

Discuss: Do you believe this is true? What small things would you like to do... and how could they change the world? What prevents you from doing these *small things*?

Living Missionally. "We don't just need to go on missions trips. We need to live missionally." (Reggie McNeal)

Discuss: What do you think it would look like to *live missionally*? How can we as a congregation *live missionally* and affect Limestone County in the long term?

Spiritual Gifts. Every believer has been given one or more "spiritual gifts" to enable them to minister to others.

Discuss: What's your individual calling from God? Do you know your spiritual gifts? If you did not talk about spiritual gifts in your group last week, discuss them now. (If you would like to take a spiritual gifts assessment, contact: office@friendshipumc.org.)

As a Group:

What can you do as a group (that you can't do as an individual) to *Serve Outside* Friendship?

Suggested Reading:

Conspiracy of Kindness (Steve Sjogren); *Humility and Absolute Surrender* (Andrew Murray)