# **NEW EVANGELISM CULTURE | The S4 Strategy**









## **GOD'S AMBASSADOR (2C5:20)**

"Now then, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were pleading through us: we implore you on Christ's behalf, be reconciled to God" (2Cor. 5:20)

### What is S4 Strategy?

The "S4" Strategy comes from the four foundational blocks (Spirituality, Mission, Ministry, Leadership) that the delegates of the 35<sup>th</sup> Ontario Conference Constituency meeting voted on June 4, 2023, as a mandate for the new administration to develop a conference strategic plan for the 2023-2028.

This strategy is life pathway with four identities of an ambassador of God. It is a way Jesus and his disciples constantly modelled. It is a missional life (lifestyle) of how disciple-makers live and do while waiting for the Second's Coming of Jesus.

# NEW EVANGELISM CULTURE (Disciple-Making Pathway)

#### TWO GREAT COMMANDMENTS

"Jesus said to him, ""You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself." (Matt. 22:37-39)

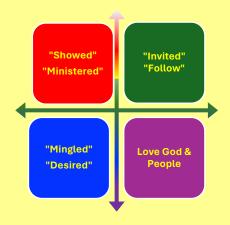
#### **TWOFOLD GREAT COMMISSION**

"And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen." (Matt. 28:19-20)

### **CHRIST'S METHOD**

"Christ's method alone will give true success in reaching the people. The Savior mingled with people as one who desired their good. He showed sympathy for them, ministered to their needs, and won their confidence. Then He invited them, 'Follow Me.'" (MH 73.4)

#### **FOUR STEPS**



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**SPIRITUAL** (*Master-Worshiper*): Love God – Life of Worship (Matt. 22:37)

SERVICE (Minister): Love God & People – Life of Service (Matt. 28:19-20)

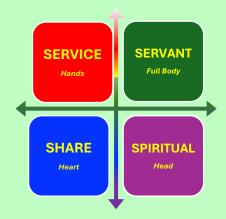
SHARE (*Missionary*): Love God & People – Life of Love (Matt. 22:39)

SERVANT (Disciple-Maker): Love God & People – Life of Reconciliation (2Cor. 5:20)

#### **GOD - HIS OWN SPECIAL PEOPLE**

"But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light; who once were not a people but are now the people of God, who had not obtained mercy but now have obtained mercy." (1Peter 2:9)

## THE "S4" Strategy



**OKOS:** 

Oikos is the Greek word for household. The best way to spread the gospel is through relational networks. Jesus gave us that examples. (John 1:35-51; Acts 10:34-48; 16:14-15, 30-33; Mark 5:19)

WHY?

WHY makes disciples?

(Matt. 28:18-20; 2Cor. 5:17-21)

WHO?

WHO to reach? (5-12 people) (John 17:20; Luke 10:1-11; Mark 5:19; Acts 10:24; 11:14; 16:14-15; 31)

WHAT?

WHAT to say?

(Matt. 28:18-20; John 4:4-42)

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WHEN to get started?

(Acts 2:37-47)





# FIVE STEPS TO REACH YOUR (5–12) OIKOS

#### LIST:

Your oikos of 5 to 12 people you already have relationship with and developing friendship.

#### PRAY:

Pray daily for your oikos, that each person would sense God's presence in their lives and be open to His love.

#### **INVEST:**

Invest in your oikos and watch for appropriate time and ways (S4 Strategy) to be God's instruments, as He calls them to Himself and transforms their lives.

#### **PREPARE:**

Prepare to become godly example of faith in Christ as well as a more effective witness of His grace through sharing your own story that connects to Jesus' story.

95% of all believers placed their faith in Jesus primarily because of someone in their oikos. (Mark 5:19; John 4:1-26)

# **FRANC**

I regularly pray for the people far from God in my oikos of influence.

**FRIENDS**:

How I will bless them and deadline:

**RELATIVES:** 

How I will bless them and deadline:

**ACQUAINTANCES:** 

How I will bless them and deadline:

**NEIGHBORS:** 

How I will bless them and deadline:

**CO-WORKERS:** 

How I will bless them and deadline: