



BUILDING COMMUNITY WORKSHEET LIBRARY

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HOW LARGE IS YOUR COMMUNITY?

Use this worksheet to brainstorm as many names in each category as you can. Don't focus on any role each person might play or if they would say "yes" or "no" to being in your community. Let God direct that when the time comes. For now, just write down as many names as you can to invite into your missional journey.

Friends	
Family	
People at Work and/or People at School	
Neighbors / Others	

BUILDING YOUR STORY

Whenever you encounter someone, a great way to engage them is by telling a story. Cater your story to the level of engagement desired. Always be prepared to tell your story in a quick, medium, or long versions.

Although we suggest 30-second, 2-minute, and 20-minute versions, this approach can be tailored for your needs.

Consider the following elements when building your story:

Thought starters:	Before the event	After the event
What were you like:		
How did you see life:		
How did you feel:		
Where do you sense God calling you?		
If someone is interested, what action steps can they take to engage you and/or learn more? e.g. go out for coffee, watch a video, follow you on missional.life, etc.		

Write 2-3 Sentences to tell your brief story. You can use the prompts above or come up with your own, but keep it short. If someone is interested in learning more, inviting them into your missional.life community is a great next step. Write your 30-second version below:

For longer stories, consider a short story from your experience that provides an example of your transformation. Pictures and visuals also can help direct longer conversations as well.

TELLING YOUR STORY: 6 MONTHS OF STORY CONTENT

Use this worksheet to help guide stories you can share with your community over the next six months or so.

This is only a guide to prompt your thinking about what will engage your audience. You can vary from this, add to it, or use this just to jump-start your story telling.

As always, leverage other elements of missional.life as well, like adding a prayer each month, sharing what God is teaching you, what books you are reading, what goals you have accomplished, pictures of your journey, etc.

	Potential Topics for Stories
Month 1	Post a short story about when you first felt God's calling in your life. What did you hear/experience? How has that shaped your journey since then?
Month 2	Share a story about something that you learned at a conference (e.g. GMHC) that has stuck with you. What was it? How has your approach to missions/calling changed as a result of what you experienced?
Month 3	Is there a country or area to which you feel God calling you? Write a brief overview of that potential location for service. Mention any elements that you personally feel about that particular area/location.
Month 4	Reflect on one answered prayer (or unanswered prayer). What is God teaching you through this experience? How are you interpreting what that answer (or non-answer) is to your journey?
Month 5	Share a brief story of someone you admire or someone who encouraged you on your journey. What did they say/do that provided the most encouragement? How have you used that to overcome obstacles or provide encouragement for others?
Month 6	If you are doing anywhere in the next few months (e.g. Missions Trip, exploration, or just vacation) Share some information on where and what you hope God will show you during this time. It might be a confirmation of where you are being called. Or simply some rest to reflect on your journey so far. When you get back, share stories of what occurred and what you experienced/heard.

SERVICEREEF WRITING A FUNDRAISING LETTER

Use this worksheet to help guide participants in writing a fundraising letter. This is a great way to walk through the key elements for all fundraising, regardless of experience or objectives.

GENERAL INFORMATION		
AUDIENCE Who are you inviting into your story? How are you inviting people into your story?		
Why are you wanting to participate in this event? What are your personal goals? How do you want to see life differently after this opportunity? How is this going to make you a better person? What impact will this have on the world around you?		
CONTENT What do you need to tell people about? What isn't important to share?		
CALL TO ACTION What do they need to do to act or engage? What do you actually need? (Make it easy for them to act) If it is a personal fundraising page on ServiceReef, consider some of the following elements to help the marketing of your message: Cover Image Personal Profile Image Fundraising Letter Text Support Video		