

I N F U S I O N # 5

BRINGING OUTREACH TO EVERY PART OF THE CHURCH

Outreach Influence Team

Meeting Preparation

For the best experience of learning and transformation, please take time to do the following three things:

Read: *Organic Outreach for Churches*

- Chapter 6 - “The Six Levels of Influence”

Pray: Ask God to help you see how outreach can be part of every ministry in our church and how this can change the culture of our church to become Gospel-centered.

Action: Make a list of all the possible level 4 ministry leaders and ministry helpers that work with you on a regular basis. Bring this list to your Outreach Influence Team Leader. How can these people be influenced for greater outreach focus?

Infusion Focus

In this Cluster Meeting we will dig into the vision of Organic Outreach and how to move the passion and practice of evangelism into the life of an entire church or Christian organization. This means bringing the heavenly commitment to reach lost sheep all the way from the heart of God to every Christian in your church.





Opening Prayer

Pray: (2 minutes)

Pray for minds to understand the simple concepts of mobilizing a church for outreach and for hearts that are open to be challenged and stretched.



The One-Degree Rule: Two Minutes to Share It
(13 minutes)

Invite each member of your cluster to share for a minute or two.

- What is your personal outreach temperature right now?
 - What is your whole church outreach temperature right now?
 - What is one way you can begin to raise the temperature of your congregation?
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Share: Tell a story about outreach that has happened in and through the life of your church. What led to this evangelistic event, movement, or passion? How do you think God feels when he sees His Church reaching out to lost sheep and helping them come home to Jesus, the Great Shepherd? (8 minutes)



Learning Theme: Six Levels of Influence

(20 minutes)

Watch the [Six Levels of Influence](#) video (5:19 minutes)

Discuss:

- The Six Levels of Influence (why each is needed)
- Your OIT leader will walk with you through the content in the book, the video, and apply this to your church and areas of ministry.

Level 1- God

Level 2- Outreach Influence Team Leader

Level 3- Outreach Influence Team (This is you!)

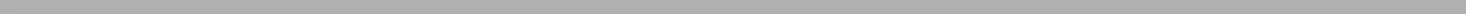
Level 4- Ministry Workers (Who are your workers? Staff? Volunteers?)

Level 5- Ministry Participants (Who are your ministry participants?)

Level 6- The World (How will the world change if your ministry participants are fully engaged in outreach?)

Discuss: (5 minutes)

- What will move the outreach vision from each level to the next?
- What are some consequences if the vision and practice get stuck at one of these levels?
- **What can you do to bring the vision more fully to your Level 4 leaders in the coming month? (How might you use the Cup of Coffee or Shot of Espresso resources?)**





Planning

Group Discussion and Collaboration (10 minutes)

What is coming up in the next six months that is churchwide (all-hands-on-deck) outreach?

- Who is leading the event (what ministry owns it)?
- How can you work together (what will each ministry team do, how will they fully engage)?
- How can you pray for this event?

What is coming up in your specific area of ministry in the next three to six months that is focused on outreach?

- How can other ministry leaders and teams support you and help you bear great kingdom fruit?
- How can we all be praying for you?

My Infusion Strategy: How will I infuse what I learned this month into my Level 4 Ministry leaders?

Identify:

Person/Group/Team

Write Down:

Infusion Strategy/Action

Closing Prayer: Pray together for... (2 minutes)

- Your Level 2 Leader (Outreach Influence Leader). Ask God to empower this person and lead them so they can influence your whole church and community.
- Yourself as you influence your Level 4 leaders and servants.
- Your area of ministry to be infused with a passion for outreach and commitment to reach out.



Pray: Pray for minds to understand the simple concepts of mobilizing a church for outreach and for hearts that are open to be challenged and stretched.
(1 minute)



The One-Degree Rule: Two Minutes to Share It
(5 minutes)

Break into pairs and share.

- What is your personal outreach temperature right now?
 - What is your whole church outreach temperature right now?
 - What is one way you can begin to raise the temperature of your congregation?
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Share: Have one person tell a story about outreach that has happened in and through the life of your church. What led to this evangelistic event, movement, or passion? How do you think God feels when He sees His Church reaching out to lost sheep and helping them come home to Jesus, the Great Shepherd? (3 minutes)



Learning Theme: Six Levels of Influence
(16 minutes)

Watch the *Six Levels of Influence* video (5:19 minutes)

Discuss:

- The Six Levels of Influence (why each is needed)
- Your OIT leader will walk with you through the content in the book, the video, and apply this to your church and areas of ministry.

Level 1- God

Level 2- Outreach Influence Team Leader

Level 3- Outreach Influence Team (This is you!)

Level 4- Ministry Workers (Who are your workers? Staff? Volunteers?)

Level 5- Ministry Participants (Who are your ministry participants?)

Level 6- The World (How will the world change if your ministry participants are fully engaged in outreach?)

Discuss:

- What will move the outreach vision from each level to the next?
 - What are some consequences if the vision and practice get stuck at one of these levels?
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Group Discussion and Collaboration (4 minutes)

What is coming up in the next six months that is church-wide (all hands on deck) outreach?

- Who is leading the event (what ministry owns it)?
 - How can you work together (what will each ministry team do, how will they fully engage)?
 - How can you pray for this event?
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Closing Prayer: Pray together for... (1 minute)

- Your Level 2 Leader (Outreach Influence Leader). Ask God to empower this person and lead them so they can influence your whole church and community.
- Your area of ministry to be infused with a passion for outreach and commitment to reach out.



Pray: (1 minute)

Pray for minds to understand the simple concepts of mobilizing a church for outreach and for hearts that are open to be challenged and stretched.



The One-Degree Rule: One Minute to Share It
(2 minutes)

Break into pairs and share.

- What is your personal outreach temperature right now?
 - What is your whole church outreach temperature right now?
 - What is one way you can begin to raise the temperature of your congregation?
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Share: Have one person tell a story about outreach that has happened in and through the life of your church. What led to this evangelistic event, movement, or passion? How do you think God feels when He sees His Church reaching out to lost sheep and helping them come home to Jesus, the Great Shepherd? (2 minutes)



Learning Theme: Six Levels of Influence (7 minutes)

Discuss:

- How does Organic Outreach, where an entire church is mobilized for outreach right where God has placed them, create potential for great evangelistic fruitfulness?

Level 1- God

Level 2- Outreach Influence Team Leader

Level 3- Outreach Influence Team

Level 4- Ministry Workers (Who are your workers? Staff? Volunteers?)

Level 5- Ministry Participants (Who are your ministry participants?)

Level 6- The World (How will the world change if your ministry participants are fully engaged in outreach?)

Discuss:

- What will move the outreach vision from each level to the next?
- What are some consequences if the vision and practice get stuck at one of these levels?



Group Discussion and Collaboration (2 minutes)

What is one big event coming up in the next six months that is church-wide (all hands on deck) outreach?

- How can you work together (what will each ministry team do, how will they fully engage)?
- How can you pray for this event?

Closing Prayer: Pray together for... (1 minute)

- The leader of every ministry in your church to grow a passionate heart for outreach (in their area of ministry).
- Continued commitment to global missions that reach people with the Good News of Jesus.