

I N F U S I O N # 7

PRAYING FOR PEOPLE

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 Ordinary People*

- Chapter 6 - “Praying for People”

Pray: Make a list of people you love who are still far from God. Pray for them every day.

Action: As you pray for the people on your prayer list this week, drop a note (or a text) to one or two of them and let them know you are praying for them and that you love them.

Infusion Focus

In this Full Team Meeting, we will be talking about praying for people who are not followers of Jesus. We will discover that prayer breaks spiritual strongholds and unleashes the power of heaven!





Opening Scripture and Prayer

Read: Acts 1:13-14 (2 minutes for Scripture and prayer)

Pray: Ask God to give you a gentle boldness to ask people how you can be praying for them (even those who do not have faith at this time).



The One-Degree Rule: A Minute to Share It (8-12 minutes)

Stay together as a few people share with the group.

- What was your personal outreach temperature over the past month?
- Who is one person you are praying will come to faith in Jesus?
- What is one way you can raise your outreach temperature by praying with greater consistency and passion?

My Infusion Strategy: Follow-up (4 minutes)

Have three team members take a minute to share one way they have been infusing their Level 4 leaders.



Share: Tell a story about how you prayed for someone and God answered your prayer. Or, share a story about a non-believer who let you pray for them...how did this deepen your relationship? (10 minutes)



Learning Theme: Prayer and Victory in Spiritual Battles
(20 minutes)

Read: Ephesians 6:10-20

Discuss:

- What is our source of power in spiritual battles, and how have you experienced this reality?
- Underline or circle the word "Stand" in this passage (in your Bible or on your Bible app). What does the Apostle Paul teach us about standing in times of spiritual opposition?
- What piece of spiritual armor do you most need in your life right now, and what can you do to put this on and stand more boldly for Jesus?
- In Ephesians 6:18-20, Paul mentions prayer three times. What do you learn about the power of prayer in this passage?

Watch the [*The Power of Prayer*](#) video (1:51 minutes)

Discuss:

- What are some of the natural daily encounters that could lead us to pray for or with someone?
 - Why is it very natural to ask someone if you can pray for them when they have shared a deep joy or profound need?
 - What have you seen God do through praying for lost people that you could have never done in your own power?
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Discussion and Collaboration (12 minutes)

What is coming up in your area of ministry in the next three to six months that is focused on outreach, and how can the people in your OIT support you and pray for you?

What's coming up in your church that is highly evangelistic, and how can your team support this outreach opportunity?

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... (4 minutes)

- Thank God for the people who prayed faithfully for you before you knew Jesus.
- Ask for courage to say the words, "Would it be OK if I took a moment and prayed for you?" in any situation or opportunity that God may bring your way.



Read: Acts 1:13-14 (2 minutes for Scripture and prayer)

Pray: Ask God to give you a gentle boldness to ask people how you can be praying for them (even those who do not have faith at this time).



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

Break into pairs and share.

- What was your personal outreach temperature over the past month?
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Share: Have two group members share a brief story about how they prayed for someone and God answered their prayer.
(6 minutes)



Learning Theme: Prayer and Victory in Spiritual Battles

(12 minutes)

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Group Discussion and Collaboration (4 minutes)

What’s coming up in your church that is highly evangelistic, and how can you support this outreach opportunity?

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

- Thank God for the people who prayed faithfully for you before you knew Jesus.
- Ask for courage to say the words, “Would it be OK if I took a moment and prayed for you?” in any situation or opportunity that God may bring your way.



Read: Acts 1:13-14 (1 minute for Scripture and prayer)

Pray: Ask God to give you a gentle boldness to ask people how you can be praying for them (even those who do not have faith at this time).



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

Break into pairs and share.

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Share: Have a group member share a brief story about how they prayed for someone and God answered their prayer.
(2 minutes)



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Group Discussion and Collaboration (2 minutes)

Discuss:

What's coming up in your church that is highly evangelistic and how can you support this outreach opportunity?

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

- Thank God for the people who prayed faithfully for you before you knew Jesus.
- Ask for courage to say the words, "Would it be OK if I took a moment and prayed for you?" in any situation or opportunity that God may bring your way.