

Outreach Ideas

FAMILY & FRIENDS



Talk about what God says about the things that come up throughout the day. Listen to Scripture or Scripture songs in the car with your children.



Do an advent devotional/calendar together; give one to neighbors/friends with children.



Look for ways to make Christ the focus of family gatherings, such as sharing thanksgivings around the table, acting out the Christmas story, baking a Baby Jesus cake, having your decorations share the gospel, sharing your testimony, etc.



Put the gospel in your Christmas card/update.



Invite others to join you at church Christmas Eve. Talk with them after the service and ask what they thought and if they know Jesus.



Pray for creativity with incorporating the gospel in Christmas gifts, be it through a tract, card sharing the meaning of Christmas, gift that itself pushes recipients into the Word, or another way altogether.

There are so many ways to get to the gospel! Don't let anything keep you from sharing the best news in whole world. If you had the cure for Covid, you'd share it; you know the cure for a disease far worse, sin. Let's ask God for boldness in sharing the good tidings of great joy this year.

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WHEN EATING OUT

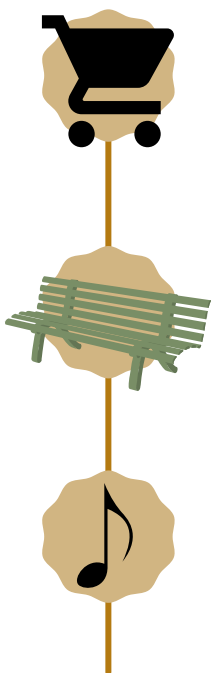


Ask the waiter if there's anything you can pray for them about when you pray for dinner.

Leave a tract (maybe a Christmas million dollar bill with a handwritten note thanking them a "million"). Be sure to leave a good real-dollar tip too!

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WHEN SHOPPING, TRAVELING, ETC.



Hand out a tract (Christmas millions work well) when you check out. (You can say things such as the following: "Have you gotten a Christmas million yet?" "I'll bet you haven't seen one of these before." "This is something I'm handing out this Christmas; I hope it blesses you.")

Look for people sitting/standing at the store, park, airport, etc., and strike up a conversation (see "When Having a Conversation" below), or just offer them a tract to read while they wait.

Use a Christmas carol that's playing as a lead-in to talk about the truth of why Jesus came.

"How much do you have to hate somebody to believe that everlasting life is possible and not tell them that?" - Penn Jillette (a famous atheist)



Make some kind of small gift bag with prepackaged goodies (hot chocolate packet, individually wrapped candy, etc.) and a tract and/or thank you note to give to the worker loading up your online order...or anyone else you encounter. Keep a few spares for unexpected opportunities.



Post a sticky tract on the stall wall when you use a public restroom.



Wear a Christian t-shirt/your church shirt and pray for opportunities from that.



Look for ways to help others. Then have a conversation or leave a tract.

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CONVERSATIONS



Ask what their favorite Christmas gift was. What do they think their favorite will be on their deathbed? How about the moment after they die? You've now gotten to what do they think happens after you die...and can share the best Christmas you've ever received (Jesus) and why (He bought you entrance to Heaven).



If you have the ability to talk when you give a Christmas or Thanksgiving million, ask if you can ask the million-dollar question: What happens when we die? Most will say they go to Heaven. You can ask how they know they will—what is the entrance requirement? Most think it's being good enough. Ask questions to help them understand that no one is good enough. (See LivingWaters.com for lots of examples on how to guide someone through the Law to the Savior.)



Ask someone about their church background. Based on that, ask follow up questions about what they believe. Then ask if you can share what you believe—or share your testimony, being sure to include the gospel in it.



T-shirts, songs, Christmas decoration, and jewelry can also be good conversation starters. If someone's got a manger scene out front, ask them what Jesus's birth means to them. If they're wearing some kind of crazy shirt, comment on it and find out what they like most about Christmas. Then share about how excited you are that Jesus came.



If discussing the mess of the economy or world, talk about how sin has made a mess of God's creation and how you're so glad for Christmas—that God sent Jesus.



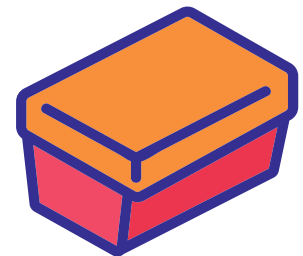
Ask about the highlight of the year. And the low point. Ask what is most important in life. Use the answers to get to what really matters in life.



Just directly ask someone where they are with Jesus or any kind of similar question that will get them talking about what they believe.

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OVERSEES



Stuff shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child to share the gospel with children around the world.

Ask God every day to give you His heart of love and show you opportunities in the ordinary—your woman at the well encounters. Jesus assures us that the harvest is ripe (Matthew 9:35-38), and that He will go with us (Matthew 28:20).

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek." Romans 1:16