

Focus Session #5  
**Praying Communities**  
9/19/2010

**A. Introduction (12:45)**

- a. Roster
  1. Record your attendance
  2. Update those who have been members of your Community this semester
  3. Update those your Community has adopted such as missionaries
- b. Goal of this session: to apply Ep 6:18-22 and Acts 18:7-8 to our Communities and become stronger Communities as relates to missionaries, worship, outreach, and service
- c. If you missed a previous Focus Session, go to <http://belcroftbiblechurch.org/caring/serve/community-training> and scroll down to the bottom of the page

**B. Missionaries (12:50)**

Ep 6:19-22 <sup>19</sup> [Pray] for me, that utterance may be given to me, that I may open my mouth boldly to make known the mystery of the gospel, <sup>20</sup> for which I am an ambassador in chains; that in it I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak. <sup>21</sup> But that you also may know my affairs *and* how I am doing, Tychicus, a beloved brother and faithful minister in the Lord, will make all things known to you; <sup>22</sup> whom I have sent to you for this very purpose, that you may know our affairs, and *that* he may comfort your hearts.

a. **19 Pray for me**

1. \*Write “choose a missionary family” on your todo list
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. \*Sketch out a brief Community agenda
3. \*Write “pray for missionary family” on your Community agenda

b. **19-20 that I may open my mouth**

c. **21-22 that you may know our affairs**

1. \*Write “read a missionary letter” on your Community agenda

d. Comments/questions

### C. **Worship (1:05)**

Ep 6:18 <sup>18</sup> praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, being watchful to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints

a. **Always**

b. **All prayer and supplication**

1. \*Write “read Ep 6:18” on your Community agenda

c. **Watchful ... all the saints**

d. Comments/questions

### D. **Outreach (1:10)**

Ac 18:7-8 <sup>7</sup> [Paul] departed from there and **entered the house** of a certain *man* named Justus, *one* who worshiped God, whose house was next door to the synagogue. <sup>8</sup> Then Crispus, the ruler of the synagogue, believed on the Lord with all his household. And many of the Corinthians, hearing, believed and were baptized.

a. **House ... synagogue**

b. **Entered the house**

c. **Believed**

1. \*Write in your todo list to pray for insight if there’s a Paul who should visit your Community

2. \*Write in your Community agenda to share the Gospel in your Community meetings

d. Comments/questions

### E. Communities Serving (1:20)

	DATE AND TIME	COMMUNITY	SERVICE EVENT
a.	Fri Oct 1, 6:00 – 7:00 pm	HOPE	Clothing Sorting
b.	Sat Oct 2, 12:00 – 2:00 pm	Crafters	Clothing Swap
c.	Sat Oct 2, 12:00 – 2:00 pm	HOPE	DC Homeless
d.	Weekly beginning in Oct.	Crafters	Crofton Elementary Good News Club
e.	Sat Oct 16, 6:00 – 7:30 pm	L4D	Miss. Conf. Pizza Night (Sons, Buettner)
f.	Sat Oct 31, 6:15 – 7:30 pm	Youth	Harvest Party
g.	Fri Nov 5, 6:00 – 7:00 pm	HOPE	Clothing Sorting
h.	Sat Nov 6, 12:00 – 2:00 pm	HOPE	DC Homeless
i.	TBD in November	Unwind	Operation Christmas Child
j.	Sat Nov 13, 9:30 – 10:30 am	Crafters	Ladies Coffee
k.	Fri Dec 3, 6:00 – 7:00 pm	HOPE	Clothing Sorting
l.	Sat Dec 4, 12:00 – 2:00 pm	HOPE	DC Homeless
m.	TBD in December	Book	Auction and Cookie Exchange

Look through these events to see if there's one your Community would like to support.

- Operation Christmas Child
- Harvest Party
- Corn Maze October 9
- SOTG

Comments/questions

### F. Testimonies (1:25)

### G. Closing Prayer (1:30)

H. **Next Focus Session:** 12:45 pm Sun Oct 24. Lunch and childcare provided.