



Reimagine Transformational Discipleship & Evangelism



PRACTICAL POSSIBILITIES

There is not just one way to address this area; at the same time, it can be difficult to discover the possibilities. This resource highlights considerations and sparks ideas. Your church is free to contact our CBOQ Next Gen team to help discern how God is directing you to address this area.

STARTER QUESTIONS

1. How can our church ensure that every young person has at least one mature Christian adult actively investing into them (preferably 5)? Who is each adult investing into?
Begin the conversation both from the pulpit and in smaller groups. Find out if/who they are investing into. You can also ask kids/youth who they believe are investing into them and see if those two perspectives match.
2. How are we sharing the transformative work of God that is happening in and through the people within your Church? How often are we doing that?
Find different ways to curate these stories whether through interviews, written testimonies or shared experiences. Then share these (with appropriate permissions obtained) in multiple formats e.g. through Sunday service, social media, etc. Also share these with donors so they can see how God is multiplying through their donations.
3. What is one way God has transformed/influenced me in the last 2 months? (Have I shared that story with a younger person?)
If you haven't recorded these experiences yourself, be sure to note it (e.g. through a journal, a social media post, etc.). As a church, provide space for others to share their stories of God's transformative work.
4. What am I doing to help the next generation see how prayer works, how God heals, how the Christian faith is practical to our every day experiences?

This is similar to question 3 in both identifying and sharing God’s answers to prayer (whether or not they match what we asked for).

- 5. How are we addressing the cultural issues of the day in a way that gives the next generation very tangible and scriptural insights in how to respond to them? What are current issues that are front of mind for our kids/youth? (Separate based on ages <4, 5-10, 11-13, 14-17, 18+)

Be sure to ask both in informal settings and through more structured approaches; also be upfront about why you’re asking (i.e. to understand what they’re experiencing and what ways is God addressing them). This may also be something to do regularly (e.g. once a year).

I’D LIKE TO ACCOMLISH WITHIN:

One Month	Do an initial review of these questions with a working group.
Three Month	Have a group of adults empowered (and trained) to intentionally “share life”.
Six Month	Survey the kids/youth of their cultural issues.
One Year	Encourage all members of the church to engage with “sharing life”. Develop/curate content to address cultural issues.

Access all the resources for this area at cboqyouth.ca/area3cc.

