

MISSION

We exist to glorify God by making disciples of Jesus Christ among all peoples.

Begin with Prayer

Listen with Care

Eat Together

Serve with Love

Share Your Story and God's Story

Outreach Temperature Check-Up

- What's your current Outreach Temperature?
- Share one story of a spiritual conversation or a way you BLESSed an unchurched person over the last month.
- What steps will you take next month to BLESS people on your FRANCES list?



Serve with Love

"No one is useless in this world who lightens the burdens of another."

- Charles Dickens

Matthew 25:35-40

For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, ³⁶I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' ³⁷Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? ³⁸And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? ³⁹And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' ⁴⁰And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.'

💡 Serve in Love – Jesus and others have served you in ways that change you. Serve others far from God in ways that can change them. Allow them to serve you, too.

Loving God and Serving Others

Serving Others:

- Service makes the gospel visible.
 - When you feed, visit, or care for someone, you are demonstrating Christ's love in action.
 - Many people will see Jesus in your life long before they'll listen to a sermon.
 - Acts of service often create natural openings for gospel conversations ("Why are you doing this?").
- Service builds trust and relationships.
 - Serving others breaks down walls of suspicion or indifference.
 - It shows people you care about them as individuals, not just as evangelistic "projects."
 - Trust often becomes the bridge over which truth can travel.

Allowing Others to Serve You:

- Humility makes the gospel believable.
 - Receiving help shows others you're not self-sufficient and you need grace and community just like they do.
 - This vulnerability reflects the gospel: we are saved not by what we do, but by receiving what Christ has done for us.
- It creates mutual connection.
 - When you allow others to serve you, it turns relationships into two-way streets instead of one-way giving.
 - Mutual dependence fosters authentic friendships where conversations about faith happen more naturally.
- It gives others dignity and purpose.
 - Many people are more comfortable offering help than asking for it. Sometimes, giving someone the chance to help you is actually a gift to them.
 - It can even open doors to share why humility matters in Christ

💡 Serving others says, “I’ll meet your needs and show you God’s love.”

💡 Allowing others to serve you says, “I’ll let you see my need, so you see that God’s love is for broken, dependent people like me, too.”

Discussion Questions:

- How can simple acts of service (helping, listening, visiting) open doors to share the gospel?
- Serving others sometimes comes at a great (or perceived) great cost. What are some of the costs we may pay when we serve others?
- How might allowing someone to help you actually bless them more than it blesses you?
- Why do you think it’s often harder for people to ask for help than to give it?
- What can receiving help teach us about humility and dependence on God?
- Think of a time when someone served you. How did this experience impact you?

Assignment:

Serve someone or with someone on your FRANCES list this month.