



Ongoing Ambassadors For Christ



Training Lutherans to Witness Christ

Jesus made us His witnesses through Baptism. OAFC works to train baptized Christians in ways to live out that calling through Songs, Bible Studies, Puppet Shows, Dramas, Personal Witnessing, and a Neighborhood Survey.

Document Packet

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All the forms and resources you need to advertise and to run an OAFC Outreach Weekend

Songs

Bible
Studies

Puppets

Dramas

Personal
Witness

Survey

An LCMS Recognized Service Organization

WWW.OAFC.ORG

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Bring the entire family and spend a fun evening with the Ongoing Ambassadors For Christ youth from 7-8:40pm at our church on Friday _____.



The group will lead us in an informal time together as we join in singing Witnessing songs and seeing how they share Jesus Christ with others through our Witnessing Methods.

Youth and adults interested in evangelism are encouraged to join in on the Saturday activities beginning at 8:30am.

Ongoing Ambassadors For Christ is a Recognized Service Organization of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod training Youth to tell others about the Good News of Jesus Christ.

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Share the GOSPEL with OAFC



Outreach weekends go Friday nights, all day Saturdays, and through church on Sundays. Through these weekends youth grow in their faith, in witnessing skills, and in helping others do the same. Ambassadors learn to support their local churches, while the church supports OAFC missionaries.

YOUTH and ADULTS, come join in the learning, sharing, and excitement of being part of this outreach experience.

WEEKEND DATE: _____



Ongoing Ambassadors For Christ



**Bible Studies, Puppets, Dramas,
Personal Witnessing, Singing,
Neighborhood Survey**

**Share the GOSPEL
with O.A.F.C.**

Weekend Dates:

Hosting Congregation:

Contact:



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Friday-Sunday Weekend Schedule

90/90 Survey Schedule ending at 8:40pm

Friday

- 7:00pm Registration
- 7:00 Group Singing of Gospel Songs interspersed with:
 - Getting Acquainted and Introduction of the O AFC Ministry
 - Witnessing Methods, Drama, and Puppet presentations shared
 - Personal Witnesses
- 8:10 Small Group Bible Studies
- 8:30 Large Group Sharing
 - Recap of Bible Studies – Singing and Prayer
 - Instructions for Host Homes and Saturday Activities
- 8:40 Hosts arrive, Ambassadors assigned for housing
GUIDELINES FOR THE HOST FAMILIES given to each host
- 8:45 Hosts depart with Ambassadors

Saturday

- 8:30am Confirm attendance, Singing, Prayer
- 8:45 Christian Baptism Bible Study for newcomers
Alternate study for Ambassadors who have been through the Baptism study
- 9:45 Preparation for Witness Survey and travel to survey areas
- 10:10 Load vehicles to go to survey areas
- 10:15-11:45 Witness Survey of the Community*
- 12:00pm Lunch served by the church (Thank You Song)
- 12:45 Sharing of morning calls
- 1:00 Witness Training, review of Witnessing Methods, replenish Survey supplies
- 1:10 Load vehicles to go to survey areas
- 1:15-2:45 Witness Survey of the Community*
- 2:45 Tabulation of reports and writing letters to Prospects
- 3:00 Sharing of afternoon calls
- 3:30 Preparation for nursing home visit/puppets practice
- 3:50 Leave for Nursing facility
- 4:00 Nursing home visit (Drama/Puppets, Singing, Personal Witness)
- 4:45 Review logistics for Sunday School/Bible Class
- 5:00 Dinner served by church (Thank You Song)
- 5:45 Prayer Partners, Personal Witness Training/Sharing
- 6:15 Drama/Puppets
- 7:45 Evaluation and guidelines for newcomers – sharing time for others
- 8:10 Review logistics for church service
- 8:40 Adult Hosts pick up Ambassadors

* 1. To **WITNESS** to all about the certainty of eternal life through Christ
 2. To **INVITE** the unchurched
 3. To **TRAIN** others

Sunday

- 8:30am Worship Service preparation
- 10:15 Sunday School and Bible Class
- 12:00 A shared meal by the congregation with the Ambassadors (Thank You Song)
- 12:30 Sing-A-Long and fellowship with the congregation
- 1:00 Rite of departure and Leave for home.





O AFC

Host Sign-up Sheet

Thank God for your gift of sharing your home. Your love is our source of support! Host Families Provide:

1. Overnight Housing with Breakfast the next morning.
2. Transportation to/from their home & church or Make Arrangements for this through others.
3. General Oversight, reporting any concerns or problems to the O AFC Director.

Name & Address	Phone	Desired # of Girls	Desired # of Boys	Ambassadors Assigned by O AFC Director
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				
6				
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9				
10				
11				
12				

Use of this sheet: Please post this sheet at the rear of your church 1 or 2 Sundays and announce that those who wish to be hosts should sign it. Then present it to the O AFC Director when he arrives and he will assign the Ambassadors with the host families.

Guidelines for the OAFc Host Families

Thank You, on behalf of the OAFc ministry, for what you have already done and will be doing to make this outreach weekend a success. We regard the Ambassador's stay in your host home as a vital part of our ministry. The Ambassadors have the opportunity to experience how you and your Christ centered family live out your relationships with our Lord Jesus. As host parents, we ask you assist in the following ways:

1. **It is expected that all youth attending the weekend event participate in the entire weekend. We ask that you as host parents take your guests directly home and not allow them to leave your home for any reason. Our desire is that they visit with you, their host family.**

2. **Arrange to transport the OAFc members assigned to you (the driver should be over 21).** We encourage the arranging of car pools where possible.

Friday evening - pick up at 9:45 p.m.

Saturday morning - bring to church by 8:00 a.m.

Saturday evening - pick up at 9:30 p.m.

Sunday - bring to church 20 minutes prior to service.

3. Provide breakfast Saturday and Sunday mornings.

4. **The youth are to go to bed when you do or no later than 11:59 PM.**

You have the authority to discipline. This includes encouraging them to study their witnessing methods, sending them to bed so they get a good night's sleep, discouraging loud talking, texting, using cell phones, etc. Please report any needs or behavioral difficulties by contacting the lead director.

OAFc Weekends seek to be Christ-centered in everything that is done.

May the Lord bless all who serve that Christ is honored and glorified.

NOTE: Host families are a vital part of the OAFc ministry. The Ambassadors are instructed to treat you and your home with respect. We are glad to receive many positive comments and to witness lasting friendships being formed. We hope that the Ambassadors assigned to your home will be good witnesses in their words, actions and thoughtfulness. We really appreciate the gift of your hospitality. You are most welcome to encourage them in their conduct.

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Date _____

O AFC Weekend CONTACT INFORMATION



Church _____

Name	Date
Address	
City, State ZIP	
Home Phone	Birthday (mo/day/yr)
Email	
Home Church	
Spouse's Name	
Occupation, Employer	
Comments:	

Name	Date
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O AFC 90 MINUTE HAPPENING

CHURCH _____ City _____ Pastor _____

MODERATOR _____ GUITARIST _____

OPENING SONG# _____

(this is the subtle way we announce our program is beginning)

SONG# _____ song _____ Intro _____

PRAYER (That we will honor the Lord with our praise....) _____

SONG# _____ song _____ Intro _____

INTRODUCTIONS (if informal -back and forth around the circle, sharing name and some other interest)

WHAT IS O AFC (LCMS, youth evangelism training, local groups, intro ways progressively below...)

① Singing SONG# _____ song _____ Intro _____

② Door-to-door witness - Role Play Survey call w/pastor _____ / _____

(Callers to remain focused even if pastor is being humorous)

SEEK COMMENTS FROM HOST CHURCH FOLKS THAT PARTICIPATED IN THE SURVEY

AH SKIT _____

SURVEY STATS _____

PRAYER (Focus on those witnessed to during canvass) _____

SONG# _____ song _____ Intro _____

③ Drama - INTRO _____

If presenting, ambassadors may be seated until we stand together again for song or Q & A

DRAMA _____

④ Personal Witness _____

⑤ Puppets – INTRO _____

PUPPET PLAY _____

⑥ SGBS Bible Study (20 min) - (text _____) _____ / _____ / _____

(Leader pray, 1 sentence thank you prayer around circle, read verse, re-read verse & comment, share key word, closing circle prayer).

LEAD SMALL CHILDREN _____

CHILDREN SING

PRAYER (thanksgiving for God's Word & the GOOD NEWS of Jesus) _____

*DUET (or song) _____

*O AFC QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS (Moderator-select Ambassadors to answer questions from congregation)

SUPPORTING O AFC (Prayers, Ambassador Circle, Memoriam, Honorarium, our team expenses)

WORD OF THANKS _____

CLOSING SONG# _____ song _____ (Doxology)

PRAYER (Thanks and praises for host congregation) _____

HOUSING ASSIGNMENTS _____

* Optional additions when time allows

Religious Survey

Team # _____ "PROCLAIM HIS EXCELLENCIES – BEING PREPARED TO DEFEND!" 1 Peter 2:9, 3:15 Date: _____

Names of Callers A. _____ B. _____ C. _____

(Affirm good answers.)

1. Write house # (& new Street Name if you have changed streets. . . check "Not-homes")
Intro: Hello! / Good morning! / Hi! / How are you today? (etc.) We are with/represent _____
Lutheran Church and are taking a religious survey and sharing some Good News.
This is _____ and I am _____. May we ask a few questions?

2. Are you familiar with _____ Lutheran Church?
3. Did you attend church when you were growing up?
Yes What church did you attend?

4. Do you and your family attend church now?
Yes 4a. Which church do you go to?

5. Are there children in this home that attend Sunday School?

6. Do you have a Bible in your home? ("No" May someone from [host church ____] bring you a Bible?)

8. **Repeat your name.** As I said at the beginning, my name is ____ . May I ask your name?

9. May I ask you about something important?

Where do you believe you will go when you die? *(Repeat to them their answer for clarification.)*
(or What is a Christian?)

Other than Heaven Go to question 10.

Heaven Why do you believe you will go to heaven? *(Repeat their answer for clarification.)*

(Jesus -- Isn't it wonderful to know all that Jesus did to save us! Share Good News Card – Q. 11.)

10. May I share with you why I believe I will go to heaven when I die? *(SSS, Good News, AH, or Cross Method)*

11. May I share the Good News of Jesus with you in a personal way? May I use your first name? *(Good News Card)*

If Unchurched: 12. May someone from our church come and talk to you again about the Lord Jesus?

Yes Ask for Phone Number. Check First & Last Name [If the address is not posted... May I have your address?]
(They are a Prospect! Complete a Prospect Form and on it check the "Wants follow-up Visit".)

Put "Y" for Yes. Put "0" for No or None.

No church + Share Good News + Response = UNCHURCHED

Caller A,B,C	NOT HOME	House Number (Street Name If Changed)	2. Know Church	3. PAST Denomination 0 for "none"	4. PRESENT Denomination 0 for "none"	5, 6, 7.			8. First Name Last Name	Jesus	Good Works	Didn't Know	Didn't Answer	Prospect	Unchurched
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CANVASSING WITNESSING METHODS

ONGOING AMBASSADORS FOR CHRIST



Good News Method of Witnessing

I would like to share God's good news with you in a personal way. May I ask your first name? May I call you by your first name? For God so loved _____ that He gave His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, to suffer, die, and rise in victory for _____, so that believing in Jesus as the Savior from sin, _____ shall not perish, but _____ shall have everlasting life.

Sin, Separation, Savior Method of Witnessing

May I share with you why I believe I will go to heaven? (*Repeat their answer, e.g., "I go to church..."*)
...But, I still sin, and because God requires perfection, even one sin would separate me from God forever.
That is why I am glad to know that God sent Jesus Christ to suffer, die, and rise in victory to pay for all of my sins. I believe I will go to heaven because of what Jesus did for me. What do you think about what Jesus has done?
(*Seek to follow with the Assurance of Heaven*)

Assurance of Heaven Method of Witnessing

Would you like to be absolutely certain that if you were to die right now that you would go to heaven? The Bible says, **"These things are written to you...that you may KNOW that you have eternal life."** (1 John 5:13) We can **KNOW** we have eternal life! This is possible because of what Jesus Christ did for us.

Jesus said in the Gospel of Mark (1:15), **"Repent and believe the Gospel."**

"REPENT" means to have a change of heart about sin and about God. God requires perfection and He says that even one sin would separate me from Him forever. Does it surprise you to know that you and I deserve God's punishment forever? (*3 Responses in parenthesis below*)

(1. Not Surprised) Go to *. (2. "How is that true?") Go to verses below, then re-ask the question above.

(3. Surprised) Reply: Please share with me why you feel that way? ("Sin isn't that bad. God doesn't work that way.")

Reply: I believe the Bible does say that we deserve God's punishment forever, but there is Good News too. I encourage you to read your Bible. ("What is the good news?") Go to *.

Helpful Verses:

"The wages of sin is death." Romans 6:23.

"The soul who sins is the one who will die." Ezekiel 18:4

"Cursed is everyone who does not...do everything...in the Law" Galatians 3:10

"Whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles at just one point is guilty of breaking all of it." James 2:10

* Even in this hopeless situation, God rescues us through the Gospel.

The **GOSPEL** is the good news about God's Son, Jesus Christ, and what He did for each of us. Jesus lived the perfect life that we cannot live. Then, He was punished for all of our sins when He suffered and died on the cross. Finally, He rose from the dead to confirm that His sacrifice paid for our sins and to guarantee our life with God forever.

I'd like to share this **GOOD NEWS** with you in a personal way. May I ask your first name? May I call you by your first name? For God so loved _____ that He gave His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, to suffer, die, and rise in victory for _____, so that believing in Jesus as the Savior from sin, _____ shall not perish, but _____ shall have everlasting life.

Do you know who **PROMISED** that? Yes, (Jesus) God did! Now, if I promised that to you I could be lying, but the Bible says, **"God who cannot lie, promised!"** (Titus 1:2) Now, God cannot lie, and He promised everlasting life to all through Jesus, who is the Savior from sin. Isn't it wonderful to know that with Jesus as your Savior you will spend eternity in heaven?

Would you like to have this certainty of going to heaven throughout your life? I'd like to **ILLUSTRATE** by asking, What would happen to you if you wouldn't eat or drink anything for six months? Right, you would die physically. In a similar way, if your belief in Jesus is not fed or strengthened, what could happen to your faith in Him? Right, it could die also.

The Bible says, **"Faith comes by hearing the Word of God."** (Romans 10:17) Just as you need physical food for your body, you need spiritual **FOOD** for your faith to grow. That is why I encourage you to go at every opportunity to a church where they teach that Jesus suffered, died, and rose in victory for all of your sins. I also encourage you to read your Bible daily. In this way God will feed your faith and keep you sure of going to heaven.

(*Seek to follow with: "May someone from our church come and talk to you again about the Lord Jesus?"*)



Team Report

Of Ongoing Ambassadors for Christ Calls

TEAM NUMBER _____

TOTAL NUMBER OF VISITS MADE
(where you actually talked to someone) _____

NAMES OF TEAM MEMBERS:

NUMBER OF "NOT HOMES"
(Where Gospel Tracts Were Left) _____

1) _____

NUMBER OF PROSPECT
(prospect slips turned in) _____

2) _____

3) _____

NUMBER UNCHURCHED _____

4) _____

DENOMINATION	JESUS	GOOD WORKS	DIDN'T KNOW	DID NOT ANSWER	TOTALS
LUTHERAN					
ROMAN CATHOLIC					
METHODIST					
BAPTIST					
OTHER CHRISTIANS					
write-in					
write-in					
CULT (Mormon, JW, Etc.)					
WORLD RELIGIONS					
NO CHURCH					
CHURCH NOT REVEALED					
TOTALS					*

HELPFUL INFORMATION THAT YOU MAY HAVE DISCOVERED WHILE TALKING WITH THE PEOPLE: Generally, did the people:

- 1) know what the church looked like? Yes / No / We're not sure
- 2) know the church's location? Yes / No / We're not sure Evaluate

The overall response to your calling. Check those that apply.

[] Excited [] Warm [] Friendly [] Too busy to Talk [] Cool [] Indifferent [] Angered

Other Comments: _____

Sunday School Survey Recap: # Of Calls Made _____ # Of Sunday School Prospects _____



OAFC Prospect Report

Date: _____ Team # _____ Team Members _____

PROSPECT'S NAME (PLEASE PRINT) _____ PROSPECT'S DENOMINATION _____ Active Now REQUESTS VISIT
 Background REQUESTS BIBLE

OF CHILDREN AGE 0 - 18 _____ Active Now
 ATTEND SUNDAY SCHOOL Yes / No _____ SPOUSE'S DENOMINATION _____ Background

PHONE NUMBER _____ ADDRESS _____ TOWN _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

When asked "Why do you believe you will go to heaven?" he/she answered: _____

PROSPECT DATA: Unchurched Single METHOD TRACT
 Estimated Age _____ Interested Married SPOKEN: GIVEN:
 Multi-church family Friendly Response Widow (er) SSS AH Tract
 New to area Personal Problems Divorced Good News GN Card
 Date last attended church _____ Separated AH Church info
 Cross

Further comments about why I consider this person a prospect (beliefs, attitudes, background, needs, situation, etc.)

Congregation Follow-up

DATE of each Activity:

	first	second	third	fourth
Delivered Bible/Friendly visit				
Elder visit				
Pastor visit				
Mailed Church information				
Follow-up is continuing. What kind? _____				
Follow-up has stopped				
None				

After conducting your follow-up visits, we would appreciate your sending a copy of this form to the OAFC office:
**OAFC PO Box 712
 Greenville, IL 62246**

Adult Prospect
THE PROSPECT RESPONDED IN
THE FOLLOWING WAYS:
 Became a member
 a. confirmed
 b. profession of faith
 c. baptized
 In Adult Confirmation Class

- Attending Bible class regularly
- Attended Bible class once
- Attending church regularly
- Attended church once
- Open to our visit
- Said, "Not interested"
- Antagonistic response to visit

- Children of Prospect**
- Baptized
 - Attending Sunday School regularly
 - Attended Sunday School once
 - Attending church regularly
 - Attended church once
 - Attended VBS
 - Enrolled in Christian day School

Comments:



O AFC Tabulation Guidelines & Prospect Letter

WHEN YOU RETURN FROM CALLING IN THE AFTERNOON:

1. Gather your whole team and sit down together at a table. **TRAIN THE NEWCOMERS** in each aspect of the tabulating. Start by reading through this page with them.
2. Look through your survey forms. Check to see that you have filled out everything and that every word is easily readable.
3. Separate the UNUSED survey forms from those that you used.
4. Count up the number of prospects you have.
5. CLEAR YOUR TABULATION AREA of any EXTRA FORMS & TRACTS. Place the Unused survey forms, tracts, Good News cards, etc. on the secretary's table in the piles designated for unused materials. If your group prefers, **restock your clipboard** so that it is ready for the next weekend.
6. Pick up these items:
 - 1 Team Report
 - Additional Prospect Forms, if needed
 - As many pieces of church stationary and envelopes as you have prospects.
7. Fill out the Team Report completely. Your horizontal and vertical "Totals" columns should add up to the same figure. This is your number of visits made.
8. Review that your Prospect Report(s) are complete and thorough, including first & last name, address, zip code, and all that you found out about the person.
9. STAPLE TOGETHER the following in this order: 1) Team Report 2) Map 3) Survey forms in order
Place them on the secretary's table.
10. Write VERY NEATLY (preferably in ink) a letter of encouragement to each prospect. A **sample letter** is below. Add a special Bible promise if you wish.

Dear _____

Thank you for responding to our survey questions when we came by your home last Saturday. The neighborhood survey will help [*name of church*] to better understand the spiritual needs in the community and how God might use it serve its neighbors.

We know that we sin and deserve God's punishment forever, but we can rejoice that God's Son, Jesus Christ, suffered the punishment we deserve when He died on the cross. Thank you for allowing us to share the Good News about Jesus Christ and how His resurrection assures us of eternal life. (1 John 5:13)

[or]

While the Bible tells us in Romans 6:23, that "The wages of sin is death," the verse continues to say "But the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." Jesus paid the full price for our sin and there is nothing we can do to earn it. Isn't it wonderful to know that we have forgiveness of sins and eternal life through Jesus!

Pastor _____, or someone from _____ Lutheran Church should contact you soon to share more about the Lutheran church, God's Word, and forgiveness. In the meantime, please feel free to call the church about any of your spiritual needs or about programs offered.

Your friend in Jesus,

11. Address an envelope to each prospect and place letters in envelopes (DO NOT SEAL THEM). Place the letters and Prospect Reports on the secretary's table.
12. Your Team is Finished. Now look around to see if you can **HELP SOMEONE ELSE WHO IS NOT FINISHED**. Do NOT move on to any other activity until you first check with one of the adult leaders!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION AND NEAT WORK!!!

English/Spanish Witness Survey Question

1. Write house # (Street Name if you have changed streets.)
Intro: Hello! / Good morning! / Hi! How are you today?
(etc.) We are with/representing _____

Lutheran Church and are taking a religious survey and sharing some Good News. This is _____ and I am _____. May we ask a few questions?

1. ¡Hola! ¡Buenos días! ¡Hola! ¿Cómo anda hoy?
Somos con/representar _____

La Iglesia Luterano estamos tomando una
sustantivo religiosos y confidencia algunas
Buenas Noticias

Estoy con _____ y yo soy _____.
¿Podemos preguntar unas pocas preguntas?

2. Are you familiar with _____ Lutheran Church?

2. ¿Usted esta familiarizado con _____
La Iglesia Luterano?

3. Did you attend church when you were growing up?

3. ¿Usted asistió una iglesia cuándo crecía?

Yes What church did you attend?

¿Sí Qué iglesia asistió usted?

9. May I ask you about something important?

9. ¿Puedo preguntar algo importante?

Where do you believe you will go when you die?
(Repeat to them their answer for clarification.)

¿Dónde cree usted que irá cuándo usted se
muere?

(Optional) or What is a Christian?

¿(Opcional) o Qué es un Cristiano?

Other than Heaven Go to question 10.

De otra manera que el Cielo. Va a preguntar
10

Heaven Why do you believe you will go to heaven?
(Repeat their answer for clarification.)

El cielo ¿Por qué cree usted que irá al cielo?

(Jesus -- Isn't it wonderful to know all that Jesus
did to save us! Share Good News Card – Q. 11.)

¡(Jesús -- Que maravilloso saber que todo que
Jesús hizo para salvarnos!

10. May I share with you why I believe I will go to heaven
when I die? (SSS, Good News, AH, or Cross Method)

10. ¿Puedo compartir con usted por qué yo creo
que irá al cielo cuándo me muera?

4. Do you and your family attend church now?

4. ¿Y su familia asiste usted la iglesia ahora?

Yes 4a. Which church do you go to?

Sí 4a. ¿A cuál iglesia va usted?

5. Are there children in this home that attend Sunday
School?

5. ¿Hay niños en esta casa que asiste la
escuela del _____ la iglesia?

6. Do you have a Bible in your home?

6. ¿Tiene una Biblia en su casa?

7. "No" May someone from [host church ____] bring you
a Bible?)

7. Si conteston No ¿Con su permiso, alguien
de la iglesia, le traer una Biblia)?

8. **Repeat your name.** As I said before, my name is ____ .
May I ask your name?

8. Como dije antes, me llamo ____ . ¿Pueda
pregunto su nombre?

11. May I share the Good News of Jesus with you in a
personal way? May I use your first name? (Good
News Card)

11. ¿Puedo compartir las Buenas Noticias de
Jesús con usted en una manera personal?
¿Puedo usar su primer nombre?

If Unchurched:

12. May someone from our church come and talk to you
again about the Lord Jesus?

Si no tiene iglesia:

12. ¿De nuestra iglesia puede venir alguien y
puede hablar con usted otra vez acerca del
Señor Jesús

Yes Ask for Phone Number. Check First & Last Name
[If the address is not posted . . . May I have your
address?]

Sí Pide Número de teléfono. Verifique
Primero & Apellido

(They are a Prospect! Complete a Prospect Form and
on it check the "Wants follow-up Visit".)

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That is why you are encouraged to go at every opportunity to a church where they teach that Jesus suffered, died, and rose in victory for all of your sins. You are also encouraged to read your Bible daily. In this way God will feed your faith and keep you sure of going to heaven.



Now, if you were to die right now, where would you go?

Why do you believe you will go to heaven?

Now that you have heard the Good News; now that you believe that Jesus suffered, died, and rose from the dead for all your sins; and now that you know that the Son of God has come to you and given your certainty of entering heaven, you are invited to pray the following words:



Dear Heavenly Father! I confess that I am a sinner and that I deserve your punishment forever. Thank you Father for the sacrifice of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, for my sin. Thank You Jesus for paying the price for all of my sin through Your suffering and death on the cross. O God, You have forgiven me and have put away my sins as far as the east is from the west. You have promised that through Jesus I am now counted as holy in Your eyes. I praise You for giving me the assurance of eternal life. Let Your Good News about Jesus keep me in the one true faith for all my days. You, O God, have made me new in Christ. You have made me your child. Strengthen me in my new life in Christ so that I may grow in wisdom and knowledge for living the new life You have given me. I pray this in the Holy Name of Jesus. Amen.

To Grow in Faith Daily

- G**o to God in Prayer
- R**ead and hear God's Word
- O**nly Jesus saves from sin, so
- W**itness daily to others.



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**World
You
Like
To
Be
Absolutely**



**Certain
Of
Going
To
Heaven**



Would you like to be **ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN** that if you were to die right now that you would go to heaven?

THE BIBLE SAYS:



"These things I have written unto you... that you may know that you have eternal life."

1 John 5:13

We can **KNOW** we have eternal life! This is possible because of what Jesus Christ did for us.

Jesus said in the Gospel of Mark (1:15)

"repent and believe the gospel."

"REPENT" means to have a change of heart about sin and about God.

God requires perfection, and He says that even one sin could separate us from Him forever. Because of our sin, we deserve God's punishment forever!

Even in this hopeless situation, God rescues us through the Gospel.

The Gospel is the Good News about God's Son, Jesus Christ, and what He did for each of us. Jesus lived the perfect life that we cannot live. Then, He was punished for all of our sins when He suffered and died on the cross. Finally, He rose from the dead to confirm that His sacrifice paid for our sins and to guarantee our life with God forever.

Listen to that Good News written in a personal way.

The Good News!

Put your name in the blanks.

For God so loved _____ that He gave His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, to suffer, die and rise in victory for _____, so that believing in Jesus as the Savior from sin, _____ shall not perish, but _____ shall have everlasting life.

Do you know who **PROMISED** that? God did! Another person could lie to you about this, but **the Bible says, "God, who cannot lie, promised!"** Titus 1:2 Now, God cannot lie, and He promised everlasting life to all through Jesus, who is the Savior from sin. Isn't it wonderful to know that with Jesus as your Savior you will spend eternity in the presence of God?



Would you like to have this certainty of going to heaven throughout your life?

To **ILLUSTRATE** how you can have this assurance...

What would happen to you if you wouldn't eat or drink anything for six months? Right, you would die physically.

In a similar way, if your belief in Jesus is not fed or strengthened, what could happen to your faith in Him? Right, it could die, also.



The Bible says:

"Faith comes by hearing the Word of God."

Romans 10:17

Just as you need physical food for your body, you need spiritual food for your faith to grow.

Report of an Ongoing Ambassadors for Christ Weekend

Following the Weekend, send this Report, Prayer Support Sheets, and Commissioning Forms to the O AFC office.

DIRECTOR'S NAME(S)

DATE:

(mm/dd - mm/dd/yyyy)

CHURCH:

CITY:

STATE:

ATTENDEND: # of Commissioned

_____ Youth	_____ Adults
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of Non-Commissioned

_____ Youth	_____ Adults
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TOTAL ATTENDANCE

_____ Youth	_____ Adults	0
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OF NEW PERSONS TRAINED

_____ Youth	_____ Adults
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OF NEWLY COMMISSIONED

_____ Youth	_____ Adults
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OF RE-COMMISSIONED

_____ Youth	_____ Adults
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Place names of canvass teams on the lines below.
If you have more than 15 teams, use a second sheet.

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1. _____	
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**NEXT
THREE
WEEKENDS**

Date/church/location
Date/church/location
Date/church/location

DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE



Witnessing Survey

We use a survey to expose youth to the beliefs of their communities and, at the same time, give them an opportunity to share their faith in eternal life by the blood of Christ.



In our Survey, youth are exposed to world beliefs – not just in a textbook but from the mouths of people in communities just like theirs. Through our witnessing methods, youth learn how to proclaim the Faith through Law and Gospel to others. When they return, our Pastoral Advisors and Directors can explain other religions' teachings and show why Christianity is the only true faith.



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Prayer Support Financial Support

The ministry of OAFC is supported entirely by gifts of congregations, groups, and individuals like you. Our annual budget supports only 1 called worker and pays for witnessing materials. Please consider supporting this ministry individually and encouraging your church to include us in their mission and outreach budget.



More than financial support, we ask for your prayers. Please pray for the youth who participate, adults who serve, congregations who host, and the people with whom we share. Follow our ongoing Prayer List and News by signing up to receive our email newsletter or LIKE US on Facebook and FOLLOW us on Twitter.



Learning what others believe. Sharing the Gospel of Jesus.

Witness Survey

The Survey

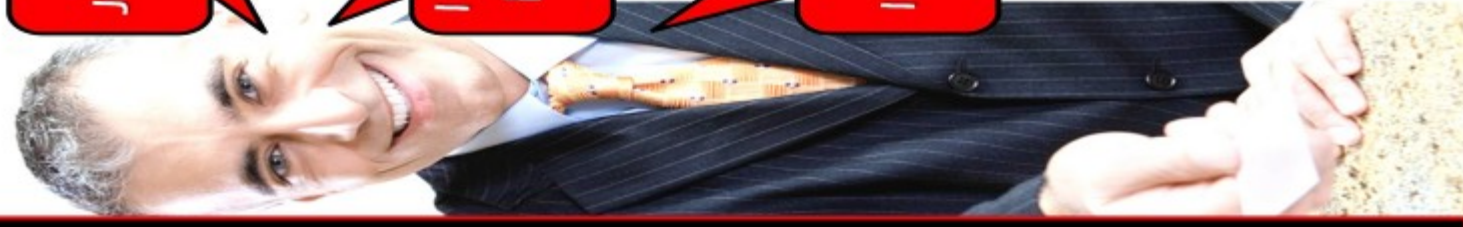
1. Hi. We're representing _____ Lutheran Church and are taking a religious survey and sharing some Good News. This is _____ and I am _____. May we ask you a few questions?
2. Are you familiar with _____ Church?
3. Did you attend church when you were growing up? What church?
4. Do you and your family attend church now? Which church?
5. Are there children in this home that attend Sunday School?
6. Do you have a Bible in your home? If not, may we bring you a Bible?
7. May I ask your name?
8. May I ask you something important? Where do you believe you will go when you die? Why?
9. May I share with you why I believe I will go to heaven when I die?
10. May I share the Good News of Jesus with you in a personal way?
If Unchurched: May someone from our church come and talk to you again about the Lord Jesus?

OAFC Canvassing Witnessing Methods

I believe Jesus died for me.

I believe I'm a pretty good person.

I don't know.



Good News Method

I would like to share God's good news with you in a personal way. May I ask your first name? May I call you by your first name? For God so loved _____ that He gave His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, to suffer, die, and rise in victory for _____, so that believing in Jesus as the Savior from sin, _____ shall not perish, but _____ shall have everlasting life. That's God's promise to you.

Sin, Separation, Savior Method

May I share with you why I believe I will go to heaven? *[Repeat their answer, e.g., "I go to church..."]* ...But, I still sin, and because God requires perfection, even one sin would separate me from God forever. That is why I am glad to know that God sent Jesus Christ to suffer, die, and rise in victory to pay for all of my sins. I believe I will go to heaven because of what Jesus did for me. What do you think about what Jesus has done? *[Seek to follow with the Assurance of Heaven]*

Assurance of Heaven Method

Would you like to be absolutely certain that if you were to die right now that you would go to heaven? The Bible says, "These things are written to you...that you may KNOW that you have eternal life." *[1 John 5:13]* We can KNOW we have eternal life! This is possible because of what Jesus did for us. Jesus said in the Gospel of Mark (1:15), "Repent and believe the Gospel." "REPENT" means to have a change of heart about sin and about God. God requires perfection and He says that even one sin would separate me from Him forever. Does it surprise you to know that you and I deserve God's punishment forever? Even in this hopeless situation, God rescues us through the Gospel. The GOSPEL is the good news about God's Son, Jesus Christ, and what He did for each of us. Jesus lived the perfect life that we cannot live. Then, He was punished for all of our sins when He suffered and died on the cross. Finally, He rose from the dead to confirm that His sacrifice paid for our sins and to guarantee our life with God forever.... ***[For the rest of the Method, see our Assurance of Heaven Tract.]***

CHRISTIAN BAPTISM BIBLE STUDY



1) **PHYSICAL BIRTH** Ps. 51:5 - CONCEIVED IN SIN; Jn 3:6, Rom 5:19, Eph 2:1-3, 4:18- 22 - CORRUPT AND DEAD, LIVE ACCORDING TO OUR NATURAL DESIRES; Gen 5:3, 6:5, 8:21 - ONLY EVIL; Rom 3:11-12, 5:10,12, 6:23, 7:18, 8:7 - ABSENCE OF GOOD, AN ENEMY OF GOD, DESERVING ETERNAL DEATH (HELL); I Cor 2:14 - SPIRITUALLY BLIND.

Everybody is born spiritually dead, blind and an enemy of God and is lost!

2) **SPIRITUAL BIRTH (Baptism)** Acts 2:38, 22:16 - GIVES FORGIVENESS AND THE HOLY SPIRIT; Rom 6:3-4 - UNITES WITH CHRIST, HIS DEATH, AND MAKES A NEW MAN; Jn 3:5-6, Gal 3:27, I Pet 3:21, Mk 16:16 - SAVED THROUGH THE RESURRECTION; Matt 28:19-20, Eph 2:8, Acts 16:15,33.

A baptized baby is cleansed, born again, united with Christ and is SAVED!

3) **SPIRITUAL GROWTH** Matt 28:19-20 - BAPTIZE AND TEACH; Rom 10:17 - FAITH COMES BY HEARING!

If a person is not fed physically he will die. If a person is not fed spiritually after baptism he can die spiritually. If fed spiritually, people can know who Jesus is, what He has done for them and what God's will is for their life. This is the purpose of continued church attendance and Bible Study.

4) **SPIRITUAL IMPEDIMENTS** (Things that harm faith) Heb 10:26-27 - SINS AGAINST BETTER KNOWLEDGE; Gal 5:19-21, I Cor 6:9-10, Rev 21:8, Matt 7:21-23 - NOT ALL WHO CALL ME LORD WILL ENTER. Heb 10:26 (keyword: willful) Demonstrate with the "Cross Witnessing Method".

WHY ALL BAPTIZED PEOPLE WILL NOT MAKE IT TO HEAVEN:

WALTHER IN "LAW & GOSPEL" - "Wicked men cannot truly believe, cannot have a genuine faith." "The light of faith can be extinguished not only by gross sins, but by any willful, intentional sin."

LUTHER'S LARGE CATECHISM - "Where faith is present with it's fruits, there baptism is no empty symbol, but the effect accompanies it; but where faith is lacking, it remains a mere unfruitful sign."

LUTHER'S SMALL CATECHISM - "The sins of the impenitent sinners, that is, of those who are not sorry for their sins and do not believe in Jesus Christ, are to be retained as long as they do not repent." "Manifest and impenitent sinners must be excluded from the Christian congregation." "Put away from among yourselves that wicked person." I Cor 5:13

THE FORMULA OF CONCORD, TRIGLOTTA, pg 943 - "[We] reject the secure Epicurean delusion...which is without repentance and without good works, as though there could be in a heart true faith and at the same time the wicked intention to persevere and continue in sins, which is impossible;...." pg 947 - "Against this pernicious delusion the following true, immutable, divine threats and severe punishments and admonitions should be often repeated and impressed upon Christians who are justified by faith: I Cor. 6:9 "Be not deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, etc., shall inherit the Kingdom of God." Gal 5:21, Rom 8:13, Col 3:6, etc.

5) **HOW TO LIVE UNDER BAPTISM** - SMALL CATECHISM - "Baptism signifies that the Old Adam in us should, by daily contrition and repentance, be drowned and die with all sins and evil lusts and, again, a new man daily come forth and arise, who shall live before God in righteousness and purity forever." Therefore, after Baptism, as a person experiences sins he daily repents and renews his baptismal vow.

6) **SPIRITUAL RENEWAL** through Baptism includes these actions as we live the peaceful and abundant spiritual life that Christ promised He would give us.

A. **DAILY REPENTANCE** (Being so sorry for sin that I don't want to sin again.)

- Gal 5:24-25 - "Jesus, what do You want me to do? Do it."
- II Pet 3:9 - Repent means to "turn away from your sins".
- I Jn 1:9 - Confess your sins and be forgiven.

B. DEDICATED OR SURRENDERED LIFE

- ❑ Rom 6:13 - Give yourself to God!
- ❑ I Cor 6:19-20 - You are bought by Christ so LIVE FOR HIM!
- ❑ II Cor 8:1-5 - First, they gave themselves to the Lord!
- ❑ Rom 12:1 - Present your bodies to God!
- ❑ Rom 8:5 - Change your mind about God!

C. FOCUSING ON OUR BLESSINGS

- ❑ Rom 13:14 - Put on Christ! II Cor 5:17 - We become new creatures.
- ❑ I Pet 1:23 - We become new BY THE WORD! Eph 4:22-23 - We have a new nature.
- ❑ Col 3:10 - We are renewed after God. Jn 1:11-12 - We become God's children.
- ❑ Rev 3:14-20 - We become earnest in Christ. 1 Jn 5:11-12, Jn 3:16 We have eternal life.

Realize that only the HOLY SPIRIT working through GOD'S WORD can give you power. 1 Cor 12:3

D. A RITE OF RENEWAL

(This section contains 3 prayers(*). For each, ask the group to bow their heads and close their eyes. They may repeat the prayer after you, phrase by phrase.)

1. Confessing Our Sins

- a. As God gives you a repentant heart, review what Jesus did for you on the cross.
- b. Ask the Father, Son, or Holy Spirit to show you your sins. * PRAY: "Holy Spirit, show me my sins - (wait 2 - 3 minutes to let God show them their sins.) - I ask this in Jesus' name. Amen"
- c. Daily ask Jesus to forgive every sin, to take away your burdens and guilt and to free you from the power of sin.
- d. Pray on the basis of I Jn 1:9 "If we confess our sins, He is faithful ...to forgive our sins..." Get rid of sin immediately and ask God to keep you from sinning that way again in the future.

PRAY: "Jesus, I have sinned - - - I am so sorry, I never want to sin again - - - thank You for forgiving me - - - for assuring me I will go to heaven. In Jesus' name, Amen."

2. Rededicating Our Lives

- a. Thank God for:
 - ❑ The assurance of forgiveness and salvation.
 - ❑ Being a child of God.
 - ❑ Having the assurance of eternal life through Jesus your Savior.
- b. As God gives you power, dedicate or rededicate your life to Christ. (As in Baptism or Confirmation.) This includes everything you are and have: mind, emotions, will, future, job, possessions, family, pride, etc. Rom 12:6-12
- c. As God empowers you and on the basis of GOD'S WORD, ask Jesus to control your life.

PRAY: "Jesus, thank You for giving me new power in my life. - - - I dedicate or rededicate my life to You and Your service. - - - control my life to Your glory. In Your name. Amen."

E. SUGGESTIONS FOR LIVING THE RENEWED LIFE:

- 1) Read your Bible daily.
- 2) Speak to God in prayer constantly.
- 3) Receive the Lord's Supper regularly!
- 4) Witness of Christ daily in life!
- 5) The secret of life is to give yourself away for others!

"I CAN DO ALL THINGS THROUGH CHRIST!" (Paul & You!)



Small Group Bible Study

We teach youth a method of studying Scripture that engages everyone, encourages discussion, and purposefully connects every Scripture to Christ and your life.

Too many small group Bible Studies point people to themselves rather than Jesus. In OAFC, we teach youth and adults always to look at Christ as the center of all the Bible – in every passage, every Study. That's why we consider Bible Study a Witnessing Method: because it's whole purpose is to point us and everyone to Christ.



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More than financial support, we ask for your prayers. Please pray for the youth who participate, adults who serve, congregations who host, and the people with whom we share. Follow our ongoing Prayer List and News by signing up to receive our email newsletter or LIKE US on Facebook and FOLLOW us on Twitter.



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Bible Study

Bible Study

1. Leader Prays –

Example: "Heavenly Father, send us your Holy Spirit to show us Christ in His Word that we may learn to show Christ to others; in Jesus' name. Amen."

2. Group Circle Prayer –

Thanksgivings

3. Each Person Reads a

Verse through the Reading

4. Re-Read Verses and Share

How it Points to Jesus and

Applies to Your Life

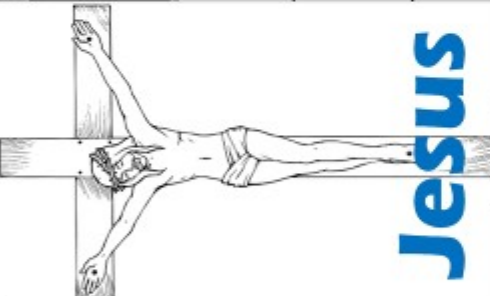


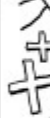
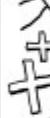
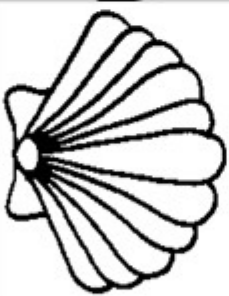






Application Guides

5. Closing –

Example: "How would you use what you've learned in this study to share Christ with others?"

6. Group Circle Prayer –

Thanksgiving & Petitions

				
Jesus				
				
Baptism	Communion		Personal Witness	
				
Liturgy				Spiritual life

Interpreting Scripture

All Scripture points to Jesus. How does this verse point to Jesus?

What sin does this verse condemn?

How can this verse comfort sinners with the death and resurrection of Jesus for them?

Does this verse talk about Baptism or cleansing?

Does this verse talk about the Lord's Supper or eating and drinking?

Do we use this verse in any of our liturgies? Where? How does that help you understand the verse or the liturgy better?

Have you or could you use this verse in a Personal Witness?

How could this verse help you with your prayers or spiritual warfare?

How does this verse help you share the Gospel of Jesus Christ?

Personal Witness of Faith



Sharing your personal story of faith is an effective way to tell an audience or an individual your gratitude or appreciation of what God and He alone has done in your life.

I. PRE-OUTLINE

- A. Pray for the Lord to give you wisdom and guidance as you work out your testimony (James 1:5-6).
- B. Think through any spiritual changes or guidance that God has brought about in your life. Then pick a topic that best applies to your life, whether it relates to what God did for you, what He means to you, how important God is in your life, or how God brought you to faith.
- C. Pick one or two scripture verses that best apply to your topic.
- D. At the end of your testimony you may wish to sing a favorite song or quote a portion of a song that best applies to your topic.

II. OUTLINE

- A. A carefully planned and well organized presentation can help you present Christ in a clear, attractive and simple way, better than one given without much thought.
- B. Below is a suggested outline to follow:
 1. Begin with an attention getting sentence.
 2. Share an aspect of your Christian life.
 3. Share how God strengthens your Christian life.
 4. Share how God is helping you through a struggle of life.
 5. In closing, share an applicable Bible verse and perhaps a song.

III. WRITING

- A. A short, well planned testimony will do more than one that is long, dragged out, and causes the audience to become lost. Try to be short and to the point, about three minutes.
- B. Emphasize that Jesus makes the difference in your life.
- C. While writing, avoid the following:
 1. Making negative or humiliating statements about churches, denominations, organizations, or individuals.
 2. Copying another person - give your own testimony.
 3. Overworking certain words such as fantastic, exciting, great, etc.
 4. Using large words or stereotyped expressions such as justification, redemption, born again, conversion, hallelujah, praise the Lord, etc.
- D. Be honest, sincere, positive, interesting, and realistic. Jesus does not eliminate all problems in life, and struggles often reoccur. However, Jesus does give us the power to live in peace in the midst of problems and struggles.

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PICK THE BEST TOPIC THAT APPLIES TO YOUR LIFE	FOLLOWING ARE SOME HELPFUL THOUGHTS	PICK ONE BIBLE VERSE	YOU MAY INCLUDE A SONG
WHAT DID GOD DO FOR YOU?			
1. He saved me from my sins	Share the joy of God's forgiveness through Jesus Christ. "I was once eternally lost, but now I am saved through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ."	Isaiah 12:2 Isaiah 43:25 Romans 6:23 Romans 10:13 Eph. 1:7 1 John 1:9	Freely, Freely Robe of Righteous God is so Good Hallelujah, Let Hosannas Love is God's Gift Sino Alleluia
2. He gave me the Assurance of Heaven	Share the joy of knowing that then you die you will go to heaven through believing in Jesus Christ as your Savior from sin. You may incorporate one of the witnessing methods in this personal witness	John 3:16 John 4:13 John 5:24 John 17:3	For God So Loved The Steadfast Love I Am the Resurrection Love is God's Gift
3. He delivered me from an accident, or rough surgery or through a death in the family	Share how God has kept or strengthened your faith in God while going through one of these trials. Share how you were totally helpless while in the hospital, and compare that with the lives of your audience. "I am totally helpless-when it comes to saving myself, but Jesus Christ saved me by dying on the cross. He forgives my sins and assures me of eternal life."	Psalms 23:4 Psalm 27:1 Matt. 11:28 Romans 8:35 2 Cor. 1:10 James 1:2-3 1 Peter 1:6-7 1 Peter 4:12-13	Cast Thy Burden Come to the Water I know where I'm Going The Answer Through it All Love was When Promises
3. He strengthened my Christian faith through O AFC	Share what your faith in God was like before and after you attended your first O AFC weekend. And how God strengthened your faith through Bible Study, singing, or witnessing. Tell how God gave you the absolute assurance that you will go to heaven. Always give the glory to God and not to a person or thing. Tell how God worked through O AFC.	John 11:25 John 20:31 Romans 5:1 Romans 10:17 Ephesians 2:8	You may use a favorite O AFC song
WHAT DOES GOD MEAN TO YOU?			
1. He's First in my life.	Share how other people or material things were first in your life and how God was last. "God showed me how lost in sin I was without Him. Now I believe in Jesus as my Savior from sin. He is now and always will be number one in my life. He means more to me than anything in this world, because He died for my sins."	Matt. 6:33 John 12:25 John 14:6 Ephesians 2:8 Hebrews 13:5	He's Everything to Me Dear Jesus Seek Ye First The Greatest Gift
2. He is my Best Friend	Share how you can sometimes trust in a friend. "But now in my life Jesus is my best friend, who I can totally trust as my Savior from sin and in eternal life. Jesus will never lie or leave me."	Prov. 18:24 John 14:18 John 15:13-15 1 Cor. 1:9 2 Thess. 3:3	Happy Am I Jesus, Jesus What A Friend
HOW IS GOD IMPORTANT IN YOUR LIFE?			
1. He gives me a purpose for living	Share that as a Christian I can be assured that my sins are forgiven and that He gives me eternal life. "My purpose for living is to always be an ambassador for Christ sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ throughout my life."	Isaiah 43:10 Matt. 16:24 Matt. 28:19-20 Acts 1:8 Gal.2:20	Be of Good Cheer Good Morning Lord Everybody Ought to Know
2. He gives me direction for living	Share how God has made a difference in your life from before you believed in Him to now. "He has changed my life from living for the world and for myself to living for Jesus. I was once a loser, but now I am a winner through Jesus Christ God's Word gives me direction to live for Jesus and not the world."	2 Cor. 5:7 Gal. 2:20 Gal. 5:16 Titus 3:5 Hebrews 13:6-7 1 John 1:7	For Those Tears Free The Answer Titus 3.5 If Any Man I Know Where I'm Going
HOW DID GOD BRING YOU TO FAITH? AS AN INFANT, YOUTH OR AN ADULT?			
1. He brought me to faith through a friend, family member, or spouse.	Share what your life was like before you believed in Jesus (empty, lost, no purpose, etc.) and what your life is like after you believe in Jesus as your Savior from sin (peace, happiness, assurance of heaven, forgiveness, etc.). Share when and where a friend told you about Jesus Christ and how God's Word worked faith in your heart.	Psalms 119:67 John 1:12-13 John 6:44 Romans 5:1 Romans 10:17	I Am I Am the Bread of Life I Know Where I'm Going The Answer
2. He brought me to faith through Holy Baptism	Share that you were brought to Holy Baptism either as an infant by your parents or as an adult. And that through Baptism you, were a new born Christian, by the Holy Spirit. Share how the Holy Spirit worked in your life through God's Word in devotions, Church, Sunday School, and O AFC, always strengthening your faith in Jesus Christ as your Savior from sin. You are able to boast about what God has done in your life.	Matt. 28:19-20 John 3:5 Acts 2:38 1 Cor. 12:13 Gal. 3:27 1 Peter 3:21	His Sheep Am I The Steadfast Love. Jude Promises See This Wonder in the Making



Personal Witness

We teach youth a simple way to connect everyday events to Christ through Law and Gospel so they can always be ready to share the importance of faith in their lives.



An OAFC Personal Witness is a pre-planned, 2-3 minute presentation of how Christ crucified for you has made a difference in your life. Youth and adults are then encouraged to share these Personal Witnesses with their churches, friends, and everyone so that others can learn how Christ can make a difference for them, too.



Supporting OAFC

Prayer Support
Financial Support

The ministry of OAFC is supported entirely by gifts of congregations, groups, and individuals like you. Our annual budget supports only 1 called worker and pays for witnessing materials. Please consider supporting this ministry individually and encouraging your church to include us in their mission and outreach budget.



More than financial support, we ask for your prayers. Please pray for the youth who participate, adults who serve, congregations who host, and the people with whom we share. Follow our ongoing Prayer List and News by signing up to receive our email newsletter or LIKE US on Facebook and FOLLOW us on Twitter.



Personal Witness

Connecting our lives to Christ so others can be connected to Him.



Personal Witnessing Thought Starters and Ideas

PICK THE BEST TOPIC THAT APPLIES TO YOU	FOLLOWING ARE SOME HELPFUL THOUGHTS	PICK ONE BIBLE VERSE	YOU MAY INCLUDE A SONG
1. Jesus saved me from my sins	Share the joy of God's forgiveness through Jesus Christ. "I was once eternally lost, but now I am saved through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ."	Isaiah 12:2, Isaiah 43:25, Romans 6:23, Rom. 10:13 Ephesians 1:7, 1 John 1:9	Freely, Freely Robe of Righteousness Hallelujah, Let Hosannas Ring Love is God's Gift
2. Jesus gave me the Assurance of Heaven	Share the joy of knowing that when you die you will go to heaven through believing in Jesus Christ as your Savior from sin. You may incorporate one of the witnessing methods in this personal witness.	John 3:16, John 4:13 John 5:24, John 17:3	For God So Loved The Steadfast Love of the Lord I Am the Resurrection Love is God's Gift
3. Jesus delivered me from accident, or rough surgery, or through a death in the family	Share how God has kept or strengthened your faith in God while going through weekend, and how God strengthened your faith through the OAFIC witnessing methods. Tell how God gave you the absolute assurance that you will go to heaven by faith. Always give the glory to God and not a person or thing - tell how God worked through OAFIC.	Psalm 23:4, Psalm 27:1 Matthew 11:28, Rom 8:36 2 Corinthians 1:10 James 1:2-3, 1 Peter 1:6-7 1 Peter 4:12-13	Cast Thy Burden I Know Where I'm Going Through It All Promises Be Ye Glad
4. Jesus strengthened my Christian faith through OAFIC	Share what your faith in God was like before you attended your first OAFIC weekend, and how God strengthened your faith through the OAFIC witnessing methods. Tell how God gave you the absolute assurance that you will go to heaven by faith. Always give the glory to God and not a person or thing - tell how God worked through OAFIC.	John 11:25, John 20:31 Romans 5:1, Rom. 10:17 Ephesians 2:8	Use your favorite OAFIC song or hymn
5. Jesus is First in my life.	Share how other people or material things were first in your life and God came after. "God showed me how lost in sin I was without Him. Now I believe in Jesus as my Savior from sin. He is now and always will be number one in my life. He means more to me than anything in this world because He died for my sins."	Matthew 6:33 John 12:25, John 14:6 Ephesians 2:8 Hebrews 13:5	He's Everything to Me Dear Jesus Seek Ye First The Greatest Gift All I Once Held Dear
6. Jesus is my Best Friend	Share how you can sometimes trust in a friend. "But now in my life Jesus is my best friend, whom I can totally trust as my Savior from sin, giver of eternal life, and provider for my needs. Jesus will never lie or leave me."	Proverbs 18:24 John 14:18, John 15:13-15 1 Corinthians 1:9 2 Thessalonians 3:3	Happy Am I Jesus, Jesus What a Friend We Have in Jesus
7. Jesus gives me a purpose for living	Share that as a Christian you can be assured that your sins are forgiven and that you've been given eternal life NOW. "My purpose for living is to always be a witness for Christ, sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ through my life and vocation."	Isaiah 43:10 Matthew 16:24 Matthew 28:19-20 Acts 1:8, Galatians 2:20 1 Peter 2:9-10	Be of Good Cheer Good Morning Lord Everybody Ought to Know
8. Jesus gives me direction for living	Share how God has made a difference in your life, even from before you believed in Christ to now. "Jesus changed my life from living for the world and for myself to living for Jesus. I was once a loser, but now I am a winner through Jesus Christ. God's Word gives me direction to live for Jesus and not the world."	2 Corinthians 5:7 Galatians 2:20, Gal. 5:16 Titus 3:5, Hebrews 13:6-7 1 John 1:7	The Answer Titus 3:5 If Any Man I Know Where I'm Going Glorious Day
9. Jesus brought me to faith through a friend, family member, or spouse.	Share what your life was like before you believed in Jesus (empty, lost, no purpose, etc.) and what your life is like after you believe in Jesus as your Savior from sin (peace, happiness, assurance of heaven, forgiveness, etc.). Share how God's Word worked faith in your heart.	Psalm 119:67, John 1:12-13 John 6:44, Romans 5:1 Romans 10:17	I Am I Am the Breed of Life I Know Where I'm Going All I Once Held Dear Light of the World
10. Jesus brought me to faith through Holy Baptism	Share that you were brought to Holy Baptism either as an infant by your parents or as an adult. Share that through Baptism you were a new born Christian by the blood of Christ through the Holy Spirit. Share how the Spirit has worked in your life through Word and Sacrament, through devotions, Church, Sunday School, and OAFIC, always strengthening your faith in Jesus Christ as your Savior from sin. Boast about what God has done FOR YOU.	Matthew 28:19-20 John 3:5, Acts 2:38 1 Corinthians 12:13 Galatians 3:27 1 Peter 3:21	His Sheep Am I The Steadfast Love of the Lord Baptized into Your Name Most Holy See This Wonder in the Making Battle Hymn of Moses

Sharing your personal story of faith is an effective way to tell an audience or an individual your gratitude or appreciation of what God and He alone has done in your life.

I. PRE-OUTLINE

- A. Play for the Lord to give you wisdom and guidance as you work out your testimony (James 1:5-6).
- B. Think through any spiritual changes or guidance that God has brought about in your life. Then pick a topic that best applies to your life, whether it relates to what God did for you, what He means to you, how important God is in your life, or how God brought you to faith.
- C. Pick one or two scripture verses that best apply to your topic.
- D. At the end of your testimony you may wish to sing a favorite song or quote a portion of a song that best applies to your topic.

II. OUTLINE

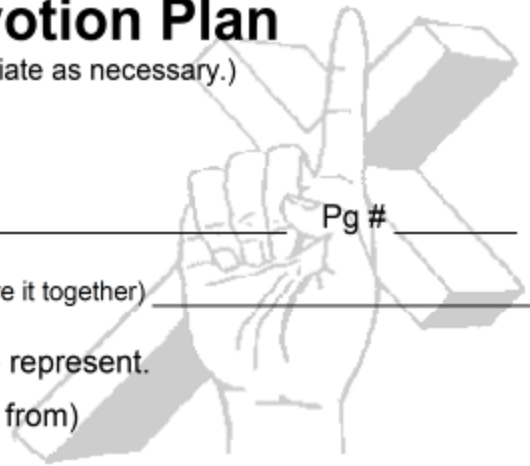
- A. A carefully planned and well organized presentation can help you present Christ in a clear, attractive and simple way, better than one given without much thought.
 1. Begin with an attention getting sentence.
 2. Share an aspect of your Christian life.
 3. Share how God strengthens your Christian life.
 4. Share how God is helping you through a struggle of life.
 5. In closing, share an applicable Bible verse and perhaps a song.
- B. Below is a suggested outline to follow:
 1. Begin with an attention getting sentence.
 2. Share an aspect of your Christian life.
 3. Share how God strengthens your Christian life.
 4. Share how God is helping you through a struggle of life.
 5. In closing, share an applicable Bible verse and perhaps a song.

III. WRITING

- A. A short, well planned testimony will do more than one that is long, dragged out, and causes the audience to become lost. Try to be short and to the point, about three minutes.
 1. Making negative or humiliating statements about churches, denominations, organizations, or individuals.
 2. Copying another person - give your own testimony.
 3. Overworking certain words such as fantastic, exciting, great, etc.
 4. Using large words or stereotyped expressions such as justification, redemption, born again, conversion, hallelujah, praise the Lord, etc.
- B. Emphasize that Jesus makes the difference in your life.
- C. While writing, avoid the following:
 1. Making negative or humiliating statements about churches, denominations, organizations, or individuals.
 2. Copying another person - give your own testimony.
 3. Overworking certain words such as fantastic, exciting, great, etc.
 4. Using large words or stereotyped expressions such as justification, redemption, born again, conversion, hallelujah, praise the Lord, etc.
- D. Be honest, sincere, positive, interesting, and realistic. Jesus does not eliminate all problems in life, and struggles often recur. However, Jesus does give us the power to live in peace in the midst of problems and struggles.

Nursing Home Devotion Plan

(The following is just a guide; abbreviate as necessary.)



Moderator: _____

Get-Attention **Song** _____ Pg # _____

Opening Prayer (Thanks for God's Word & this opportunity to share it together) _____

Moderator: Briefly tell WHO we are & what CHURCH we represent.

(then each person says their name and where they are from)

Song _____ Pg # _____ Intro by _____

What is OAFIC & our Purpose (W.I.T.) _____

Good News Method shared with one resident _____

Good News Method said by all Ambassadors using "You" – started by moderator.

Song _____ Pg # _____ Intro by _____

SSS Method explained and shared by _____

Personal Witness by _____

Solo/Duet/Group **Song** _____ Pg # _____ Intro by _____

Puppet Play _____ Curtain Holders _____

Puppeteers _____

Short Message by _____

Song _____ Pg # _____ Intro by _____

Drama _____

Song _____ Pg # _____ Intro by _____

(The Apostles Creed or Lord's Prayer may be used occasionally, led by moderator, said by all.)

Song _____ Pg # _____ Intro by _____

Song _____ Pg # _____ Intro by _____

Closing Prayer by _____

Moderator: Words of thanks & Announcement of our desire to visit with them personally.

O AFC Weekend Worship Participation

Many congregations encourage Ambassador youth to participate in their worship. The four guidelines on the bottom of this page show 4 possible ways the Ongoing Ambassadors may be involved in your church's worship services. The presentation and time allotted are up to the pastor and congregation. These four samples are given simply to show what could be done. Please share your desires with the O AFC director prior to the O AFC weekend. We encourage that congregations at least allow Ambassadors to share the results of the weekend and request congregational prayer and financial support during the worship service.

We also offer Pre-Weekend Bulletin Inserts with information about the O AFC ministry as well as weekend Bulletin Inserts to note the impact of the weekend. The director will email these to you beforehand or bring them with the team when he comes, and if permissible, distribute them along with your worship bulletin.

May this information be helpful in aiding our serving together in Word and Work in Christ's name.

45 Minute Matins Participation – Lead Service	55 Min. Divine Service Participation – Lead Service
<p><i>Optional Opening Hymn</i> Invocation – Spoken by the Pastor Venite Song – "Come Let us Go Up to the Mountain" Psalm Song – "You Called Me By Name" OT Reading <i>Optional Puppet Show</i> Epistle <i>Optional Gradual Song – "Sing Hallelujah to the Lord"</i> Gospel Reading Sermon Creed – Spoken or Sung, "Lord of Hope, of Life, of Love" Canticle – "For God So Loved," "Who hath believed..." Offering O AFC Presentation – What is O AFC, Results, Support, Personal Witness Prayers of the Church Lord's Prayer – Spoken or Sung Benediction – Spoken or Sung, "Barocha" Recessional Hymn</p>	<p><i>Optional Opening/Processional Hymn</i> Invocation, Confession & Absolution – Spoken by Pastor Introit/Psalm Hymn – "You Called Me By Name" Hymn of Praise – "This is the Feast," "We Will Glorify" Salutation and Collect OT Reading <i>Optional Puppet Show</i> Epistle Reading Alleluia and Verse – "Alle, Alle," "Sing Hallelujah" Holy Gospel Hymn of the Day – Led by O AFC Sermon Creed – Spoken or Sung, "Lord of Hope, of Life, of Love" Offering & O AFC Presentation – What is O AFC, Results, Support, Personal Witness Prayers of the Church (If no Communion, Conclude with Lord's Prayer, Benediction, and Recessional Hymn) Preface – Spoken by Pastor Sanctus – "Here at the Altar" Words of Institution – Spoken by Pastor Lord's Prayer – Spoken or Sung Agnus Dei/Pre-Communion Hymn – "Lamb of God" Distribution and Communion Hymns – "Communion Gift," "Broken and Poured Out" Post-Communion Hymn – "There is a Redeemer" Post-Communion Collect – Spoken by Pastor Benediction – Spoken or Sung, "Barocha" Recessional Hymn</p>
20 Minute Participation - Presentation	5 Minute Minimum - Presentation
<p>O AFC Song – <i>Usually preservice or Offering</i> Introduce O AFC Ministry Personal Witness Survey Results Presented Sharing the Weekend Impact on First-Timers Invitation for Prayer and Financial Support Puppet Skit – Often between OT and Epistle O AFC Song – <i>to close presentation</i></p>	<p>Introduce O AFC Ministry Sharing Good News Witnessing Method Survey Results Presente Invitation to Prayer and Financial Support</p>

O AFC Outreach Report Presentation

About O AFC

(Introduce yourselves and where you are from – You should be able to do this without reading it)

O AFC is Ongoing Ambassadors For Christ. We are a Recognized Service Organization of our LCMS that equips youth and adults to share their faith in Jesus Christ. Our three-fold purpose is to:

Witness to all about Jesus who died for the sins of all people so that they can have the certainty of eternal life with Christ when they die,

Invite the unchurched to the congregations we serve and to invite youth to join us in our ministry,

Train youth and adults to share their faith in Jesus.

O AFC witnesses through: **puppets, singing, Bible study, drama, canvassing, and personal witnesses.**

Survey Report

(Introduce yourselves and where you are from)

Ambassadors from ____ different churches (states) witnessed about Jesus' love and forgiveness through a witness survey of the community where we spoke to people at ____ homes. We left Gospel and church literature at another ____ houses where no one was home.

During our survey we asked, "Where do you believe you will go when you die?" Most people answered "Heaven." Then we asked, "Why do you believe you will go to heaven?"

____ people were sure of going to heaven through what Jesus did for them;

____ said they thought they would go because of their own good works;

____ said they did not know how to get to heaven or where they were going; and

____ persons did not answer that question or take our survey.

We shared with all who would listen that Jesus gave His life to pay for all their sins, that they might be certain of having eternal life with Christ. We spoke to some individuals who are inactive in church or have no church home with whom we also had the opportunity to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ. From this survey we can report ____ such visits.

Through our neighborhood survey we discovered ____ person(s) who is (are) interested in learning more about Jesus Christ their Savior and this church. We ask that you welcome these souls into your midst and pray for them. We would like to leave the names of these individuals with your congregations for follow-up. Would _____ please come forward to receive these?

Financial Support

(Introduce yourselves and where you are from)

- The ministry of O AFC is supported entirely by gifts of individuals, groups, and congregations like yours. We are a volunteer organization. Our annual budget supports only one part time Called worker and pays for witness materials.
- O AFC works to establish additional groups throughout our Synod. We would like to thank the members of this congregation for hosting us and for supplying us with meals and homes for sleeping. Thank you for the door offering which you are presenting today for the work of O AFC as we continue to serve our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We invite your ongoing financial support.
- Those of you who are Thrivent members may designate your Thrivent Choice Dollars to the national ministry of Ongoing Ambassadors For Christ. Please contact your area Thrivent representative for assistance with this gift to O AFC.

Prayer Support

(Introduce yourselves and where you are from)

The ministry of O AFC needs prayer supporters. Your prayers are vital to our ministry. We ask that you pray for Youth who participate, Adults who serve as leaders, and Congregations who host O AFC weekend.

Anyone who is willing to become a prayer supporter of the ministry of O AFC is asked to meet with me after the service so we can record your name and email address. We will send you our monthly O AFC email newsletter, "The Crier," to inform you of our prayer needs and keep you up to date with what's happening with O AFC. You can also visit our website to check us out at www.oafc.org. God bless every one of you for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior.

The Impact of O AFC

(Introduce yourselves and where you are from – You should be able to do this without reading it)

(preferably a new ambassador) My experience with O AFC has helped me grow in my faith in Jesus by: (in your own words)

Ongoing Ambassadors For Christ



Prayer Supporters

Sign up to let us know that you're praying us and we'll send you our monthly E-mail newsletter, "The Crier," full of prayer requests, upcoming activities, Bible Studies, and devotional thoughts for the month.

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Ongoing Ambassadors For Christ



Singing

Bible

Study

Personal

Witness

Puppets

Dramas

Witness

Survey

The Mission of OAFc is to...

Witness of Christ to All

Invite All into the Church

Train All to Witness

The Outcome of OAFc is...

The Church's youth are strengthened in the Faith and find a voice to share that Good News of Jesus with their world.



Ongoing Ambassadors For Christ



The 3-Fold purpose of OAFc is that we:

1. Witness to all about Jesus our Savior
2. Invite the unchurched to the congregation we serve and other youth to join us
3. Train youth and adults to confidently share their faith

Thank you for hosting a team of Ongoing Ambassadors For Christ. We hope that our time together was a blessing for you as we joined you in carrying this eternal life message to your community.

You have encouraged us by:

- ✓ Praying for God's blessing on our outreach and our ministry
- ✓ Providing us with housing, meals, and transportation
- ✓ Joining us in reaching out to your community and to the lost
- ✓ Allowing us to participate in your Sunday school and worship service
- ✓ Supporting OAFc with your prayers and financial gifts

This weekend Ambassadors from _____ different churches witnessed about Jesus' love and forgiveness through a witness survey of the community where we spoke to people at _____ homes.

We left Gospel and church literature at another _____ homes where no one was home. During our survey we ask, "Where do you believe you will go when you die?" Most people answered "heaven". Then we ask, "Why do you believe you will go to heaven?"

_____ people were sure of going to heaven through what Jesus did for them; _____ said they thought they would go because of their own good works; _____ said they did not know how to get to heaven; and _____ persons did not answer that question or take our survey.

We shared with all who would listen that Jesus gave His life to pay for all their sins that they might be certain of having eternal life with Christ. We spoke to some individuals who are inactive in church or have no church home with whom we also had the opportunity to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ. From this survey we can report _____ such visits. We also discovered _____ person(s) who is (are) interested in learning more about Jesus Christ their Savior and this church. We ask that you welcome these souls into your midst and pray for them.

Sharing with others the joy of JESUS CHRIST and His Resurrection...

Date _____

Place _____

Dear Jesus, Thank You for giving Your life on the cross for my sins. I don't deserve Your love for I have sinned in so many ways. I have done things I should not have done and have neglected things I should have done. I haven't shared You in the past like I should have, but thank You for the training I have received in O AFC. Help me to consider being a member of O AFC that I may grow in my ability to share You with others that they might also have the certainty of going to heaven and the abundant life You promise. Amen.



1. To be a commissioned Ambassador you must be a confirmed member of a member congregation of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod.
2. This pledge sheet should be filled out only after you have attended at least two complete O AFC weekends. You should make your decision based upon prayer considering the pledge you are making, and without allowing emotions or the decisions of others to influence you. (1 Corinthians 14:12).
3. In order to be commissioned, you must know the two basic witnessing methods, you must have led a call, and you must sign this commissioning form.
4. This pledge sheet is to be filled out and signed by you (and your parents or guardian if you are under 18 years of age). You can participate in O AFC activities without being commissioned. (Ephesians 6:1-3; Romans 13:1-2).
5. If you choose to be commissioned, you will be commissioned publicly.
6. This commitment is for one year. At that time you should prayerfully consider being recommissioned.

ONE WAY - JESUS CHRIST

That I might be more effective in being used to lead people to Christ and into the church, I pledge myself to STRIVE to do the following as God empowers me:

1. Give all glory to Jesus who died for me that I can live eternally.
2. Pray daily for the Ongoing Ambassadors for Christ youth, leaders, and supporters.
3. Pray for the lost and to lead at least one to Christ and into membership of my church.
4. Read my Bible, pray and witness daily for spiritual strength.
5. Attend my local church, its Bible classes and the Lord's Supper at every opportunity.
6. Attend all future O AFC programs in my area.
7. Be a financial supporter of O AFC.
8. Pray for and live to improve the spiritual growth of my family.
9. Bring at least one recruit to each future O AFC weekend.
10. Live a Christ-centered life to the glory of God, my church and my generation.

Check if this is
your very first
commissioning.

I PLEDGE MYSELF TO STRIVE TO DO THESE THINGS WITH THE HELP OF GOD.

Your Signature

Signature of Parent or Guardian

PLEASE PRINT INFORMATION BELOW

Name

Month, Day, Year of Birth

Street Address

Town

State

Zip Code

Area Code & Phone Number

E-mail Address

Home Congregation

"I HAVE COME TO BRING YOU TRUTH - I HAVE COME TO BRING YOU LIFE - IF YOU BELIEVE IN ME THEN YOU SHALL LIVE - I AM THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE - HE WHO BELIEVES IN ME WILL NEVER DIE!"

Photocopy twice—one copy for the Ambassadors, one for the Director.
Send original to the O AFC Office, PO Box 712, Greenville, IL 62246

Ongoing Ambassadors For Christ



**Thank You from your
Ambassador Guest**



Go Quick and Tell the World of Christ our Lord!

Christ has called His Church out of darkness and into His marvelous light, and so charges us to proclaim this excellent work and to be ready to make a defense to anyone who asks for the hope that is within us (1 Peter 2:9, 3:15). That can be scary unless we remember that Christ's power and His promise is to be with us to the end of the age!

Since 1970, Ongoing Ambassadors For Christ have made over 720,000 visits to share the message of God's forgiveness earned for all at the cross of Christ. New Ambassadors come back thrilled that they were able to share their faith. They have a new eagerness to hear the Word of God and their faith grows by leaps and bounds. Many hear the call for full-time service in the Church as they see first-hand the need of the world. Thanks for your encouragement in sending workers into the harvest field.



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Ongoing Ambassadors For Christ

- Please join us in praying
that the ministry of OAFc
would grow with more
- * Leaders around the country
 - * LCMS Youth involved
 - * LCMS Churches participating
 - * OAFc groups established
- So that...
- * OAFc would continue to be faithful in sharing the Good News of Jesus to all who will listen, and Youth will grow

"We always thank God for all of you, mentioning you in our prayers. We continually remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ." 1 Thessalonians 1:2-3

For God so loved _____ that He gave His only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, to suffer, die, and rise in victory for _____, so that, believing in Jesus as the Savior from sin, _____ shall not perish, but _____ shall have everlasting life.

Paraphrase of John 3:16



Ongoing Ambassadors For Christ
 Medical Information & Parent/Guardian Consent Form

Date: _____

TO: Ongoing Ambassadors For Christ (O AFC)

PARTICIPANT: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE: _____

ZIP _____ HOME TELEPHONE: _____

BIRTH DATE: _____

FATHER WORK: _____ CELL _____

MOTHER WORK: _____ CELL _____

As the parent/guardian of the above named participant, I grant permission for him/her to take part in O AFC weekends and other events.

I realize the nature and extent of these activities and represent to you that the participant is physically and mentally able to join in these activities.

While O AFC adult leaders strive to maintain a safe environment, I realize that accidents can happen and have instructed the participant to follow common sense safety, i.e. fastening their seatbelts etc, and that they will be responsible for their actions.

I hereby appoint O AFC adult leaders as my agent and representative for the purpose of authorizing and consenting to hospital and/or medical care and treatment as necessary for the health and well being of the participant while they are attending O AFC activities.

Consent and Emergency Information:

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Relationship to Minor _____

Witness of Signature _____

Witness Name (Printed) _____

Primary Emergency Contact _____

Secondary Contact _____

Connection to Participant Home Phone _____ Cell or Work Phone _____

Doctor _____

Phone _____

Medical Insurance Company _____

Policy Number _____

Phone _____

Date of participant's last Tetanus shot _____

If needed, participant allowed aspirin, Tylenol, etc.? _____

Other medication _____

Comments: _____

Date received: _____

This form should be updated annually or whenever any information changes.

Model Release*
for Ongoing Ambassadors For Christ



I, _____ (print model's name), do hereby give Ongoing Ambassadors For Christ, their assigns, licensees, successors in interest, and legal representatives the irrevocable right to use my name, picture, portrait, or photograph in all forms and media and in all manners, including composite or distorted representations, for advertising, trade, or any other lawful purposes, and I waive any right to inspect or approve the finished version(s), including written copy that may be created and appear in connection therewith. I am of full age (If the model is under 18 years of age, then their parent or guardian must give consent by signing below). I have read this release and am fully familiar with its contents.

Witness _____ Signed _____
Model

Address _____ Address _____

Date _____, 20 ____

Consent (if applicable)

I am the parent or guardian of the minor named above and have the legal authority to execute the above release. I approve the foregoing and waive any rights in the premises.

Witness _____ Signed _____
Parent or Guardian

Address _____ Address _____

Date _____, 20 ____

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Ongoing Ambassadors For Christ serves LCMS congregations nationwide by leading OAFc Outreach Weekends and other events; training youth & adults to better share their faith in our Savior Jesus Christ, the only way to heaven. In OAFc we strive to Witness to all who will listen that Jesus suffered died and rose again to forgive the sins of all people. We Invite those who do not have a church home to the congregations we serve and we Train youth and adults to join us in multiplying our ministry. OAFc witnesses through: Bible study, singing, door to door canvassing, drama, puppets, and personal witnessess.



When you have the opportunity, a volunteer from your local group is encouraged to exhibit at local LCMS conferences; like Pastors' Conferences or LWML gatherings. The National Office of OAFCC has budgeted to cover the table costs of 1 conference per year for each local group. If you can, we've provided a layout for how you might set up the table with the resources in this manual and provided by the Office—such as Songbooks and Book of Acts.

(It's not required, but candy does work pretty well at these events).

Example Exhibition Table Layout

The History of OAFc



Ongoing Ambassadors For Christ (OAFc) began in **1970** in Brownsdale, MN by Pastor Fred Darkow as a means of anchoring post-Confirmation youth to the witness and ministry of the Church. It quickly spread to many congregations in the LCMS and became a **Recognized Service Organization of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod** in 1980 as a youth and evangelism program

We are called **Ambassadors** because of the calling of all of Christ's Church is to proclaim His Gospel of forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation on His behalf to His world. The Apostle Peter says to all Christians, **"You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light,"** (1 Peter 2:9), and again, **"In your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense (lit. apologetic) to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect"** (1 Peter 3:15). With such a great responsibility given to the Church, we need to train youth and adults to be prepared to witness Christ and speak about Him and for Him to our world.

We are called **Ongoing** because we seek to gather in local groups each month to grow ourselves, spiritually, and seeking to assist others to grow by God's power through His Word.

Because OAFc engages youth with God's Word in very real-life situations, many of our youth come to realize that the need for professional witnesses to the Gospel is great. A number of our youth go on to fields in **Church work**, like pastors, DCEs and teachers, and many more go on to be church members who know that the Church needs to reach out and not keep the Gospel to ourselves.



Supporting OAFc

Prayer Support Financial Support

The ministry of OAFc is supported entirely by gifts of congregations, groups, and individuals like you. Our annual budget supports only 1 called worker and pays for witnessing materials. Please consider supporting this ministry individually and encouraging your church to include us in their mission and outreach budget.



More than financial support, we ask for your prayers. Please pray for the youth who participate, adults who serve, congregations who host, and the people with whom we share. Follow our ongoing Prayer List and News by signing up to receive our email newsletter or LIKE US on Facebook and FOLLOW us on Twitter.



Ongoing Ambassadors For Christ



The Mission of OAFc is to...

Singing
Witness of Christ to All
Invite All into the Church
Train All to Witness

Bible Study
GOOD NEWS! *For your name in the Month*
For God so loved _____ that He gave His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, to suffer, die, and rise in victory for _____, so that believing in Jesus as the Savior from sin, _____ shall not perish, but _____ shall have everlasting life. *Roger W. Jahn Sr's*
This is God's Promise to you: *lit. Cernat. lit. Titus 1:2*

Personal Witness
The Outcome of OAFc is...

Puppets
The Church's youth are strengthened in the Faith and find a voice to share that Good News of Jesus with their world.

Dramas
Witness Survey





Training All to Witness

Outreach Weekends at local congregations

We train youth to witness by preparing them and then sending them to witness to their peers, their churches, and even to total strangers. And by facing real witnessing situations, with real people and real questions, youth come back asking their pastors and leaders for real biblical, Lutheran answers.



Find an Outreach Weekend near you or invite OAFc into your congregation.

Yearly national training events

For one week, youth from across the country join in Bible study, workshops, worship, fellowship, and fun, and above all, sharing the Gospel.



Follow us on the web to learn more about this year's Summer Training.

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Witnessing of Christ to All

Six Witnessing Methods

Jesus made us His witnesses in Baptism, yet many don't know how to put their faith into words. That's what OAFc does.

Bible Studies

Engaging everyone, Pointing to Christ, Applying to life



Singing

Christ-centered, Gospel-focused, Word and Sacraments



Puppet Shows

Catechesis, whimsical, Biblical, kids love it, learning by sharing



Dramas

Engaging real situations to prepare youth to proclaim



Personal Witness

Connecting life to Christ so youth can connect others to life in Christ



Witness Survey

Learning what others believe, Sharing what we believe



Inviting All to the Church

"Faith comes by hearing the Word of Christ." Heb. 10:17

Apart from the Word and Sacraments, faith will starve. That's why biblical evangelism must connect people to the Church. That's what OAFc teaches youth to do.

Region	Number of Churches	Number of Youth
North America	1,200	150,000
Europe	800	100,000
Asia	500	75,000
Africa	300	45,000
South America	200	30,000
Oceania	100	15,000
Total	3,100	395,000

Over **40 years** of ministry, OAFc has spoken with over **700,000** people and connected over **70,000 to local LCMS churches**. In the last 10 years, we've shared the Gospel with nearly **6,000** people who didn't go to church.



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