

Instructions for

Making Tracts

Northwest Young People's Retreat

March 26-28, 2021

Guidelines for the groups

1. Make sure to built an atmosphere full of love, encouragement, and mutuality by taking care of one another.
2. Get to know all the members of your group.
3. Come up with a group name!
4. Decide what project your group will be working on.
5. Unceasingly pray for the members of your group.
6. Remember that the purpose of the projects is to dig in to the main burden of the messages.
7. If you finish early you can add a verse to your song, make another Kahoot, or fellowship about how you can use your gospel tract.
8. “Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice.” -Philippians 4:4

If you have any other questions you can text Neftali Rodriguez 360-839-1580

Group Time 1

1. Read this ministry portion and fellowship about it.

“During the past two to three hundred years, the Lord has used tracts in a particular way to save many people. One thing special about winning people with tracts is that tracts are not limited by time. If you try to testify with your mouth, you are restricted by time and personnel. You cannot speak twenty-four hours a day, and your audience may not be available all the time. You may be preaching a wonderful message, but the audience may not be there. However, tracts are not limited by time. You can pass out tracts any time of the day, and men can receive and read your tracts any time of the day.

A newly saved brother always should have tracts ready in his pockets, and he should pass them out when he is free. Like the work of leading men to Christ, we should do this with much prayer and dedication of heart. While we are passing out tracts, we can speak a word or two to others or we can remain silent. Either way is good. If a new believer practices this, he will receive great benefit from it.” (Collected Works of Watchman Nee, The (Set 3) Vol. 49: Messages for Building Up New Believers (2), Chapter 2, Section 7

Questions to discuss and some considerations:

1. What is one thing special about winning people with tracts?
2. Have you ever passed out a tract? What was your experience?
3. Decide the format of the gospel tract ([Print](#) or [Video](#)). Use your sanctified mind and be creative.
4. Be open to the servingones.
5. Pray for your group project and the tract you will create.

2. Choose the topic of your tract

You can take the topic using any of the points or verses in the outlines or verses.

Group Time 2

1. Prepare to write your tract by getting into some of the material

You might want to read parts of the outlines that relate to your topic. Consider praying over the key verses and looking at the footnotes in the Recovery Version. You could also use some of the ministry excerpts in your packet, or notes from the speaking to gather content.

2. Start writing your tract

Once you feel clear about what the topic of your tract will be and have enjoyed the material, start writing. Think about the title and opening sentence. It should be appropriate and catch the attention of the reader. Tell a story that is relatable to the audience you're writing for, and don't forget to include verses from the Bible. Remember, "It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing; the words which I have spoken to you are spirit and are life." (John 6:63). Lastly, consider how you will close the tract and lead the reader to pray to receive the Lord. You might help them to see they can live a life trusting and fellowshiping with God.

- **Title**
- **Opening sentence**
- **Tell a compelling story**
- **Include Bible verses**
- **Help them to pray to receive the Lord**

Share with others for feedback and editing

Work together and learn to receive the feeling, fellowship, and sometimes corrections from others in your group. Conclude this group time in prayer that the Lord would be with you, bless this tract, and use it to save many people who will see it.

Group Time 3

1. Layout and typeset the tract for print, digital or make the video. When we think of tracts,
2. we normally think about a printed piece of paper. This may be the way you want to produce your tract. But today, especially during the pandemic, it may be easier to text a digital version of the tract or make a video to share it on social media. Use this group time to lay out the tract or record your video. You can use programs like Adobe Illustrator, Photoshop, Microsoft Word, or an app like Canva that helps you add photos and fonts. Think about the fonts you use.
3. Are they easy to read, or a distraction? What about the colors? Do they help or detract from
4. the readers experience? If you use photos or imagery, they should be appropriate and fitting.



5. Prepare to present your group project. How will you present this project? Consider who
6. from your group can help give the presentation and explain the tract. Do you need to prepare slides or write down what you'll share? Now is your time to prepare to present your project.
7. As with the other two group times, conclude in prayer.

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