

# **Experiment #4 - Advocating for What Matters – Week of 3/15**

## **WHAT YOU NEED**

- A piece of paper
- A pen
- About 30 minutes
- A friend willing to take this risk with you

## **WHAT IT IS**

In the past few weeks we've taken some initial steps towards discovering how we can be Good News in our neighborhood. In this experiment, we will apply some of what we've learned and begin to identify specific things that we can do.

## **HOW IT WORKS**

Make a list of some of the realities in your neighborhoods (based on previous experiments) that you think would be the heart of God. What would be good news to your neighbors, no matter how big or small? Be as specific as possible in talking about these with your partner.

After you have identified several possibilities, begin asking these questions of the things you've listed.

- Which ones especially get you fired up?
- Would this be helping an individual?
- Would this be a specific issue my community faces?
- How can you give a voice to these realities? (Through word or deed, how can you draw attention to these things?)

Hopefully, this process helps you and your partner identify one thing you can do that is Good News to someone in your neighborhood.

Next, put some specifics towards building a plan to try it.

What?

When?

Where?

With who?

For how long?

What will you need?

Remember, this whole thing is an experiment. If it goes really, really well you will have learned something. And if it goes really, really bad... you will have learned something! We are inviting you to try something, maybe for the first time, so no one expects you to do it perfectly.

Lastly, bring your notes, your plans, and other ideas with you when we meet again next time.