

## Living Intentionally With Those Who Do Not Know Jesus

### Ask God

One of the most loving things you can do for others is to pray for them. We must ask God to be at work in the hearts of those within our Oikos. Jesus said that no one can come to him unless God draws people to him. You can ask God to draw people to Jesus! Here are 10 simple prayers you can use for those in your Oikos that are living outside of a relationship with Jesus.

Lord, I pray that you draw \_\_\_\_\_ to Yourself. (John 6:44)

Lord, I pray that \_\_\_\_\_ would hear and believe the Word of God for what it really is. (1 Thess. 2:13)

Lord, I pray that \_\_\_\_\_ would seek to know You. (Acts 17:27)

Lord, I ask You to prevent Satan from blinding \_\_\_\_\_ to the truth. (2 Cor. 4:4, 2 Tim. 2:25-26)

Holy Spirit, I ask you to convict \_\_\_\_\_ of his/her sin and need for Christ's redemption. (John 16:7-14)

Lord, I ask that you send someone who will share the gospel with \_\_\_\_\_. (Col. 4:3-6)

Lord, I also ask that You give me the opportunity, the courage, and the right words to share with \_\_\_\_\_. (Col. 4:3-6)

Lord, I pray that \_\_\_\_\_ would turn from his/her sin and follow You. (Acts 17:30-31; 1 Thess. 1:9-10)

Lord, I pray that \_\_\_\_\_ would put all of his/her trust in Christ. (John 1:12; 5:24)

Lord, I pray that \_\_\_\_\_ would confess Christ as Lord, take root, and grow in faith and bear fruit for your glory. (Rom. 10:9-10; Col. 2:6-7; Luke 8:15)

### Build Relationships

As you build a relationship you can discover tangible ways to love that person as an expression of God's love for them. What are some simple ways you can strengthen your relationship with the three people God has put on your heart?

### Connect with Community

Experiencing Christian community is an important part of helping people get a clearer picture of who Jesus is. How can you create opportunities for the people you have identified to get connected with your gospel community?

### Show and Share the Good News of Jesus

As we ask God to draw people to himself, build relationships, and connect people with our gospel community, opportunities will arise to show and share the good news of Jesus. We show people that Jesus is good news primarily by serving them and meeting their needs, just as God has graciously served us and met our needs through Jesus.

As you show that God is good news by your actions, don't be surprised when you have opportunities to share his good news with words. A person's greatest need is to be forgiven of their sin, reconciled to God, and become his child forever and ever. That happens by hearing and believing the good news about Jesus. So it is important that we both show and share the good news of Jesus as God gives us opportunities.

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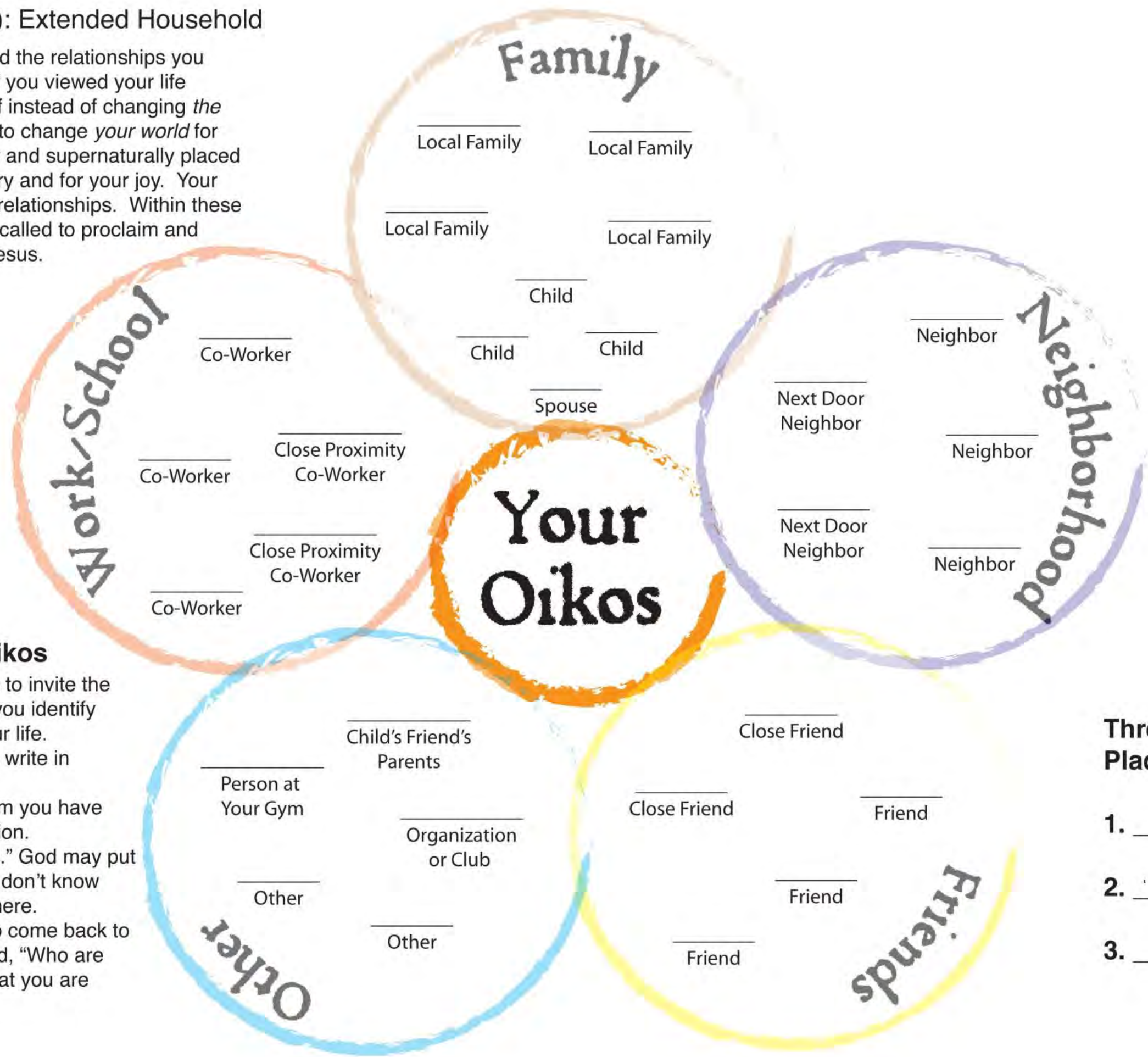
You Have Been Called to Specific People



Live Intentionally

## Oikos (Ancient Greek): Extended Household

There is deep purpose behind the relationships you have in everyday life. What if you viewed your life through new lenses? What if instead of changing *the world* for Jesus you decided to change *your world* for Jesus? God has strategically and supernaturally placed people in your life for His glory and for your joy. Your Oikos is your natural web of relationships. Within these relationships you have been called to proclaim and enjoy the hope and love of Jesus.



### Determining Your Oikos

1. Pray: Take a few minutes to invite the Holy Spirit to guide you as you identify different relationships in your life.
2. Pick a circle and begin to write in names.
3. Think of people with whom you have regular contact and interaction.
4. Allow for some "surprises." God may put someone on your mind you don't know well but the opportunity is there.
5. Take the next few days to come back to this and continue to ask God, "Who are three people in my Oikos that you are placing on my heart?"

### Three Key People God Has Placed On My Heart

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_