



And he said to them, “Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation.”

—Mark 16:15 ESV

Even though every Christ-follower is called to regularly share their faith, few actually do. *Conversations: A Simple Approach to Sharing the Gospel* is an exciting new way The Gideons International seeks to partner with pastors and local churches through offering a personal witnessing training course. Through this two and a half hour course, participants will discover the simplicity of the Gospel and learn practical ways to share their faith with confidence.

Basic Information about *Conversations: A Simple Approach to Sharing the Gospel*

How much does the course cost? The course and its facilitation are **FREE!** There may be some copying/printing costs associated with attendee materials.

Who will lead the training? A commissioned Gideon instructor

Who can attend the training? The content is applicable from students to adults. The course can be tailored to a variety of contexts.

How long will the training last? The course is designed for a two and a half hour time length. However, it may be tailored for a variety of contexts to best fit your ministry's needs.

Does it matter how many people come to the training? The training is suitable for various groups and numbers. However, ideally, the course is designed for 25 or fewer attendees per session. The training can be facilitated to small groups, Sunday school classes, specific groups or ministries, or entire congregations.

What topics will be discussed in the training?

Topic One | What is the Gospel?

Today, people are longing for good news—something to hold onto that won't let them go. The Gospel of Jesus Christ provides this hope through eternal life. This section will help participants will clearly define what the Gospel is in a world filled with false gospels.

Topic Two | Why Share the Gospel?

Life can be full of activity that grabs our attention. Before we know it, we are ingrained into various functions that not only compete for our time but also our drive and resources. While exploring the importance of sharing the

Gospel, participants will evaluate what is most important in their lives and discover three critical reasons to share their faith.

Topic Three | Basics of Sharing the Gospel

At times, Christians can feel like sharing the Gospel is difficult at best. Questions such as, “How do I respond to this question?” “What if I’m asked a question I can’t answer?” and many more fill our minds.

Participants will learn God’s role and man’s responsibility in sharing the Gospel, and through unpacking the L.E.A.P. acronym, will gain confidence in Gospel interactions.

Topic Four | Tools and Resources

Sharing our faith is a conversation, not a presentation. However, helpful tools and resources aid in guiding Gospel conversations. Following a clear and renewed understanding of the Gospel, participants will now interact and leave with practical tools that will help in leading someone to Christ.

Topic Five | Call to Commitment

God calls every believer to make His name known. Personal commitment to share the name of Jesus is crucial in the daily life of a Christian. In conclusion, participants will evaluate what they have learned through *Conversations: A Simple Approach to Sharing the Gospel* and reveal the next steps as we seek to fulfill the Great Commission.

What is the desired outcome of the training? For participants to discover the simplicity of the Gospel and walk away with practical tools and resources to confidently share their faith.

What are my next steps? How can I get this training in my church? Please contact your local Gideons to be connected to a commissioned course facilitator. Also, you may call (615) 564-5000 and The Gideons International will connect you to the right person.