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MAKING DISCIPLES 101

Harvesting Decisions for Christ, Part 2

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1. It is best to hold public evangelistic meetings _____ year.
2. The first step in regular public evangelism is to get _____ for it. Assemble a team beginning with an overall meeting coordinator and one or two speakers, followed by coordinators for visitation, children's program, registration, greeting, music, etc.
3. _____ member can be involved—praying, inviting, distributing flyers, attending, mingling, and/or assisting at the meetings.
4. To find those interested in attending we must _____ through personal invitations, tracts, flyers, posters, mailers, billboards, radio, internet, social media, etc. Cast the net in every way possible!
5. To be successful, public preaching must be combined with _____ labor during the meetings—providing literature, making home visits, conducting baptismal studies, etc.

Inspired Insights

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