

embracing our neighbor

30 DAYS OF PRAYER
FOR INTERNATIONALS



Embracing our Neighbor: 30 Days of Prayer for Internationals

is a meaningful new resource for churches and individuals as they pray and discover new ways to love our neighbors, especially those who have experienced much hardship and suffering.

Inspiring stories and practical suggestions to help us engage with our neighbors are found on each page. This booklet, produced by the CBF Internationals North America Team, will stir your heart to love and care for our international neighbors.

“It was a normal day—just another Thursday in their small African village. And then in the flash of an eye and with the sounds of gun fire, Felix’s family was torn apart. He and his wife grabbed the hands of their children and fled in different directions hoping to evade capture and death. Each instantly became a single parent with no possessions, no home, only fear as they ran holding the small hands of their children with all their might.”

Day 4, “Home again”

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learning and growing

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Pivot: Turning Teams Toward God’s Mission Near and Far transforms how our churches go on mission trips *and how they do mission in their own community.*

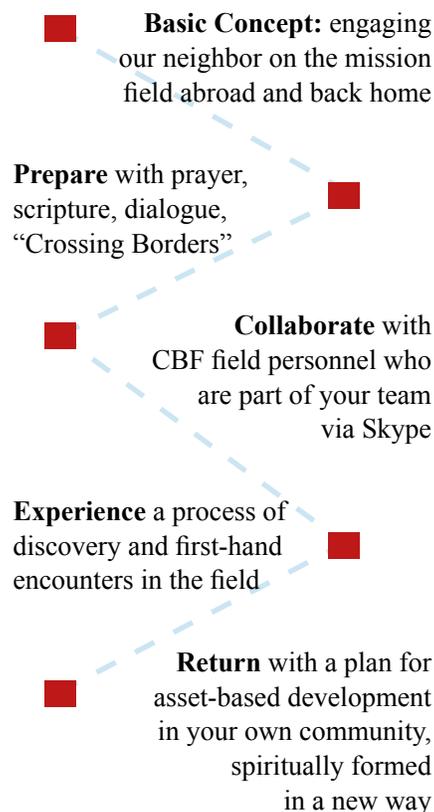
Most of us have been on mission trips where preparing to go means organizing travel, supplies, and the mission endeavor that we will be doing on the field. What if going on a short-term mission trip included a process of preparation with the CBF field personnel? What if there was time set aside as a team for prayer, scripture, and discovery about crossing borders with good missiology?

This **Pivot** experience entails learning and growing in addition to doing. While you are on the field, you will be developing an understanding of what assets are in the community (strengths and benefits) and how to connect and collaborate with those strengths. Forge new friendships with the field personnel you work with and the local people you minister with on the field. Discover how to be a missionary yourself — how to learn about a community, assess its assets, and connect with community organizations and leaders. When you return you will have the tools to do this in your own community and to involve your church members in new ministry. More importantly, the readings, experiences, and dialogues will help you grow as a Christian and understand God’s mission in the world and your role in that mission.

If this sounds like a great experience of spiritual formation, then **Pivot** is for you. This approach to missions will transform the way you engage in missions at home and abroad. It fosters a closer relationship with field personnel who exemplify what it means to follow Jesus. It teaches asset-based community development on the mission field and helps you apply it to your local context.

Pivot can be purchased from CBF Global’s store at www.cbf.net.

Pivot – Spiritual Growth Process



When you return after **Pivot**, you will look at your community with missionary eyes!

