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### Invite Others:

#### 1. The Power of Invitation

- **Why It Matters:** Every invitation has the potential to change someone's life. Jesus called us to be His witnesses, and inviting someone to church is one of the simplest ways to share the hope we have in Christ. It's not just about getting someone to attend—it's about offering them a chance to experience community, transformation, and Jesus. One invitation can amplify a life.
- **Scripture to Reflect On: Matthew 28:19-20, "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations."**

**2. Amplify 5 Action Step #2: Invite 25 People** As part of the Amplify 5 initiative, we're encouraging everyone to invite 25 people to church this year. This may sound like a big goal, but it's made up of small, simple steps. Whether it's through a direct invitation, a social media post, or bringing someone with you to church, every action counts!

### Practical Guide for Invitations:

#### A. Personal Invitations

- **Keep It Simple:** A personal text, phone call, or face-to-face invitation works wonders. Keep it casual—"Hey, I'd love for you to come to church with me this Sunday!" You're offering them something valuable, not just a service. Give the details of the service.
- **Offer to Meet Up:** "I'll be at church at 9:30 AM. Want to come with me, and we can grab lunch afterward?" Offering a follow-up activity can make the invitation more appealing.
- **Use the '+1' Strategy:** Whenever you go to church, plan to bring someone with you—whether it's a coworker, friend, neighbor, or even a family member. If each person brought just one, think of the impact!

#### B. Social Media Invitations

- **Post a Personal Story:** Share why you love your church, what it's meant to you, and how it has impacted your life. Ask others to join you—your personal testimony can speak volumes.
- **Invite Through Events:** Share church events on your social media—whether it's a service, a special event, or a community outreach program. Add a personal message: "Would love to have you join me for this event!"
- **Share Posts from Church Pages:** Share BCC social media posts, adding a personal touch—"This is going to be amazing! Join me at church this weekend!"

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### C. Build Relationships and Create Opportunities

- **Invite to Coffee or a Meal:** Invite someone to grab coffee or lunch and mention that you'd love for them to join you at church afterward. It's easier to say yes when it feels like a natural part of the conversation.
- **Leverage Common Interests:** If someone loves music, invite them to a worship service. If they're interested in family activities, tell them about a family event at church. Tailoring your invitation to their interests increases the likelihood of them saying yes.

### D. Thoughtful Follow-Ups

- **Be Patient and Persistent:** If someone doesn't respond right away, don't be discouraged. People's circumstances may change, and they may be more open to the invitation later. Just keep offering the invitation with love and kindness.
- **Ask Questions:** Instead of just inviting, engage them in conversation. Ask about their church background or if they have ever visited one. This can help remove any apprehensions and give them a chance to express any concerns or hesitations.

### E. Creating a Welcoming Environment

- **Invite Before They Arrive:** When people come to church, make them feel welcomed before they even walk through the doors. Let them know you'll be there to greet them and sit with them if needed.
- **Encourage Follow-Up:** After they attend, follow up with a message or call, asking them about their experience. If they enjoyed the service, invite them back.

### Encouragement for the BCC:

- **Start with Your Inner Circle:** Begin with people you already know—friends, neighbors, coworkers, and family members. The more natural the invitation, the better!
- **Pray for Opportunities:** Ask God to open doors for invitations. Sometimes, people are waiting for someone to ask. Prayer is a powerful way to open hearts.
- **Share Your Wins:** Celebrate when someone accepts an invitation to come to church! Share stories within your small group and encourage others to continue inviting.
- **Be Real:** It's okay to admit that you're nervous or unsure, but don't let that stop you. Your authenticity and sincerity are what make your invitation powerful.

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## Scripture to Encourage You:

- **1 Corinthians 3:6:** *“I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth.” Your invitation may be just one part of someone’s faith journey. Trust God with the results!*
- **Romans 10:14:** *“How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard?”*

**Your invitation could be the first step toward someone’s salvation.**

## Final Thought:

As part of the Amplify 5 initiative, let’s be intentional about sharing the love of Christ with others. Whether it’s a simple conversation, a social media post, or bringing someone along with you, every invitation is an opportunity for God to work in someone’s life. Let’s go beyond the walls and reach out with open arms to those who need to hear about the hope we’ve found in Jesus!