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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY & POINT-CHURCH GUIDE

TRANSFORMATION BEGINS WHERE
PRAYER AND ACTION MEET.



PRAY - WORSHIP- SERVE

A Church United - A City United

Pray/Worship/Serve (P/W/S) is a catalytic two day event focused around the National Day of Prayer and Mother's Day Weekend for the Church in the greater Tulsa area to corporately worship by praying and serving together. P/W/S 2016 is designed to continue fostering unity among the church community in the Tulsa area. Churches will work together not only for this two day event, but use this as another gateway to continue collaborating long term with one another for the transformation of our city. For this to be a successful effort, it will be critical for pastors to engage their congregations to be a part of both components: National Day of Prayer on Thursday May 5th, as well as the Serve My City event on May 7th.

PRAY

Tulsa has historically observed the National Day of Prayer with pastors from varying churches and denominations. Times of prayer are focused on issues and leadership both in our city and nation. On May 5th, 2016 we would continue with a focused time of prayer over the lunch hour on the ORU Campus at Christ Chapel and include a luncheon for pastors.

WORSHIP

We definitely worship through music, but worship is also given when we pray - and when we serve! A concert of prayer and music is being explored for 2016.

SERVE

Saturday, May 7th, 2016 following the National Day of Prayer, churches across the Tulsa area, organized by predetermined sectors, will serve their community in ways they have collaborated on with one another in the preceding months. Through this model, churches across the city have opportunity to further build a relationship framework not only to serve together for a single event, but to discover and deepen the impact they can make by serving together on an ongoing basis in their community.



"POINT-CHURCH" GUIDE

The Strategy

With 12 sectors identified in Tulsa, plus surrounding communities, Point Churches in each sector will play a crucial role in promoting and helping to coordinate the collaborative outreach in their community on Saturday, May 7th.

POINT CHURCH ENGAGEMENT:

• Identify and equip a Sector Captain from the Point Church

- **A staff or lay pastor with a heart for unity, a gifting of organization, and a commitment to complete the planning, execution, and follow through of P/W/S 2016**

• Identify, meet and partner with churches in your sector (or with existing relationships outside the sector) to serve and engage the community

- Consider encouraging churches in outside sectors where relationships exist to become a Point Church
- Unite My City (UMC) can assist with data for churches in each sector

• Identify leadership contact from each participating church within sector

- Leaders will serve as coordinator for their church's involvement for PWS
- Leaders will identify a Promotion Coordinator for their church's team to handle:
 - promotion of the event within their church
 - social media before-during-after the event
 - Occasional posts in the months following regarding impact

• Coordinate monthly planning meetings with churches in their sector leading up to the event. (UMC can provide support)

- Assist churches working together to determine the outreach project needed in the community through collaborative discussions and possibly surveys conducted by each participating church
 - UMC will provide suggested questions that all sectors of the city will be using (included in this document).
- Delegate and oversee responsibilities to other participating churches such as:
 - The scheduling of service day
 - Acquiring the resources needed to complete the project in one day



- **Help Recruit more churches and spread the word:**
 - Recruit additional churches for an expanded level of participation in P/W/S
 - Oversee updates on social media on developments, wins, and shout outs for their sector leading up to P/W/S 2016 for the sector as a whole
 - Ensure promotional materials for sector churches (UMC can provide support)

- **Day of the Event:**
 - Consider your church being a hub for the service outreach on Saturday, May 7, 2016 (for example)
 - Potentially begin the day of service from your campus
 - Offer restroom and first aid stations
 - Provide dumpster area if needed

- **After the Event - Schedule a debriefing after the event to:**
 - Celebrate successes, identify opportunities, and addresses concerns
 - Discuss ongoing strategy for churches to continue serving our city together on an ongoing basis after P/W/S 2016.
 - UMC can provide support
 - Provide dumpster area if needed

COMMUNITY QUESTIONS

These questions are designed to help churches in each sector discover a project(s) they can do together not only for the Serve My City day, but beyond.

1. What do you see as the three best or strongest things about this community?
2. What do you see as the three biggest concerns or needs in this community?
3. How do you think the Church could better help address the biggest unmet need or concern?



BEYOND THE EVENT

Moving Forward

The hope and goal of this event is not just to simply have one day where the Church comes together in the city, but to use the National Day of Prayer and the Serve My City day as a catalyst to continue seeing the Church in the Tulsa community worshiping, praying, and serving our city together on a more continual basis. It is not that a church is failing to serve the community, but to discover how the Church can more effectively impact and transform our city together.

As you come back around the table to debrief and share the successes and challenges of P/W/S 2016, what are the ways you have discovered for partnering churches to continue forward in relationship with one another as you serve your community?



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