How to pierce a local culture.

- Acts 17 is a great Biblical example on how Paul found out their unknown god and poetry. He found these to pierce their culture to share the gospel. Sharing the gospel was his goal, Acts 16:10, more than the goal of relationships. He wanted to know how to use existing things they already knew that overlapped with a Biblical world view as a start. He also wanted to know how they made decisions. Who were decision makers and on what basis. Then he could interject the gospel into that process.
- Join PTA and booster clubs of elementary, middle and high schools.
- Coach little league.
- Teach at a local day care center.
- Join Rotary and every other civic club there is.
- Visits hospitals to see if they will let you visit people who say they have no religious preference.
- Visit the rooms next to the ones you are visiting and pray for them also.
- Let funeral homes know you will do funerals free for anyone who has a financial issue or no religious contacts.
- Check with hospitals for same service on premature babies and miscarriages as percentage never make it to funeral homes or newspapers.
- Visit the hospital and ride the elevator. As someone gets on with you, share that you are a pastor and "is there a family member or friend they would like you to go pray with?"
- As you visit that room, check on adjacent rooms to see if you can pray with them. Always leave a door open to pray with them again. "May I stop by and check on you tomorrow?" These are times people are very open spiritually to after the prayer testing spiritual doors to sharing the gospel.
- Asking, "are they concerned or do they have any fears?"
- Asking, "why does God hear our prayers?" Because if we have trusted Christ as our Lord and savior we are His children. Do you know how to become a child of God?
- Many cities have a list posted in the business section or local business paper of new electric meter hook ups. These are people who are most likely to have relocated and need a church home.
- Visiting with a packet of information about:
- Number to call and location for getting a local driver's license.
- Number to call for enrolling children in school and date each session starts.
- Contact numbers for police, fire departments, local hospital, day care, etc.
- Local veterinarian, pediatrician, physician, dentist, etc. Visit them to find a friendly one to recommend. Ask your neighbors, good excuse to talk with them also.
- How to register to vote locally.
- Always, at the end of each visit, ask folks, "Do you mind if I say a quick prayer for You?"
- Post all on quality paper worthy of a refrigerator and have your contact on there as Pastor _____.
- A small gift of a food coupon to local fast food to get them covered till they settle in. Visit local fast food to see if they will work a deal with you.
- An inexpensive local map is also a nice gift for new to the community people.
- Visit for a few minutes, open a door for another visit and let them continue their tasks.
- Attaching a template anyone is free to use for such a flyer.