

## **The Kerygma – The Good News to Proclaim (MFC)**

### **1. Love Creates**

- We are created in God's image and likeness: made in love, by love, to share love

### **2. Sin Breaks**

- Sin severs the relationships we share and distorts truth leaving us restlessly wandering in illusion and fractured...humanity needs saved!

### **3. Jesus Redeems and Renews**

- Jesus Christ redeems mankind and calls us back to a loving relationship with him and the Father through the Holy Spirit – He lovingly pulls us from the muck of sin!

### **4. We Change our Ways**

- We repent (deep conversion which leads us to imitate Christ) and receive the Holy Spirit (We say yes to God)

### **5. We Share our Story**

- Renewed as Christians, we are called to NEW LIFE with God and relationship with Jesus Christ...and as missionary disciples, we must passionately and joyfully share this news with those longing to hear!

## **Evangelizing as Missionary Disciples (recommendations from the CLE office of Missionary Discipleship)**

1. PRAY to be filled with the Holy Spirit
2. Lead with Joy (understand the Good News that gives you sustaining joy)
3. Begin with listening to the other
4. Keep your story simple and personal (share the gospel impact in your own life)!
5. Focus on our human desires and needs at first and share how Christ fulfills these in your life
6. Be lovingly hospitable and INVITE OTHERS IN!
7. GO OUT BEYOND YOUR COMFORT ZONES and TRUST
8. Follow up with love!
9. Don't worry about the harvest just plant the seeds (use your gifts to build the Kingdom)
10. PRAY for those you interact with

## **Questions for Discussion:**

### ***Re-imagining WHO and WHAT: Building New Life with God and a Relationship with Jesus Christ***

- How can you better nurture a relationship with Jesus Christ in your life? Why is this important for Christians?
- Review the *Evangelizing as Missionary Disciples* on the other side of this sheet. Which of these resonate with you in your life at this moment? Why?
- How has Jesus “Broken Into” your life? Can you share a story?

### ***We’ve said YES, Now What?!***

- What do you cling to in your life that may impede clinging to Christ? How can you let that go?
- Why is discernment so important for missionary disciples?
- “We are a people who plant seeds and trust...It’s not ours to harvest.” How do you understand this phrase and why is this important for those who evangelize?
- What does the story of bamboo teach us as missionary disciples?

### ***Crossing the Threshold: Porters of the Faith: A Ministry at the Door***

- What resonated most with you about the story of St. Andre Bessette?
- How are you called to “*Cross the Threshold*” in sharing your faith?
- What does a ministry “*at the door*” look like and why is it an important paradigm as we re-imagine Church?