

Engaging Your Neighbors in the Midst of This

We have an opportunity to help our church family leverage their extra time at home and literally "own" their neighborhoods. Social distancing has brought us home. If we use this opportunity to be loving, caring and compassionate to meet needs, deepen relationships, and encourage our neighbors, God could do far more than "you and two." Our neighbors will remember what we did or did not do through a crisis like this. It will literally build a foundation for all future contact with them.

Here are Some Ideas to Help you Start Engaging with Your Neighbors.

- Pray for your Neighbors: Pray4everyhome is a website and tool that will show you who is being prayed for in your neighborhood. https://www.pray4everyhome.org/
- 2. **Contact your neighbors:** by phone call, text, email, facebook messenger etc.
- 3. **Set up a Virtual Group Meeting:** You could set up a video chat with your neighbors with google hangouts, zoom or facetime.
- 4. **Write a Letter to your Neighbors:** Write and put a "kindness postcard" in all your neighbors mailboxes and tell them you are praying for them and how to contact you if they need anything.
- 5. **Set Up an Event** (While Following CDC Guidelines): If you are already in touch with your neighbors you can create an event such as meeting in your driveways every night at 7:00pm so you keep your distance and see how everyone is doing.