



# CELL GUIDE 2016

Theme	Beyond Church Walls
Topic	Reaching our Geographic Community
Speaker	Ps Ernest Chow
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## Message Summary

### Spiritual Objective: Develop a heart for the lost.

Pastor Ernest told the story of CT Studd, a man who was so convicted by the Lord regarding the destinies of the lost, that he was moved to tears while walking on the streets. Since that encounter, CT Studd was never the same; he gave up his potential career as a prominent athlete and became a missionary to reach out to the lost.

Like CT Studd, we need to be motivated to reach the lost. Do we recognise that as we encounter the lost as we go about our daily activities, and that these people need Jesus? Do we recognise that we have spiritual authority in Jesus, and that we have a mission field right at our doorstep? Many of the 'heartlanders' that live around BBTC both want and need Jesus, and there is a glaring need for labourers to toil in this harvest field.

### 3 Handles for reaching out to the people

Pastor Ernest gave 3 handles for reaching out to the people:

1. Have compassion for the people.
2. Be empowered by the Holy Spirit.
3. Be passionate for God.

Without Jesus, people are lost like sheep without a shepherd; this fact moves Jesus to compassion<sup>1</sup> and He desires to guide them. We need to pray for more labourers and for God to instil this compassion in our hearts that we can view the lost like Jesus did.

Acts 1:8 speaks of this empowerment. Beyond this endowment of power that is essential for reaching the lost, we also need to recognise the power of prayer (Ephesians 5:18 -19). Ultimately, it is God who will touch their hearts but it is our place to intercede for them and to witness to them.

2 Corinthians 5:14 demonstrates the compelling love of Christ that demands that we live for Him because of what He has done for us. Are we compelled by the grace of God in our lives that we desire to share His goodness with others? The heartbeat of God is that none should perish. Do we share the same desire?

### Conclusion

Reaching out to the lost is not an optional activity. It lies in the heartbeat of God and His love for us ought to compel us to labour in the harvest field that is the surrounding blocks of BBTC. Through prayer and worship, we need to devote ourselves to play an active role in reaching this land for Jesus one soul

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<sup>1</sup> Translated from Splankna (Greek), meaning deep stirring in the bowels.



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## Questions

How did you come to Christ? Who were the people who had the greatest impact on your decision and what role did they play in your life?

(Fill in Answer Here)

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Who was the last person you witnessed to? What was one thing you learnt from that experience?

(Fill In Answer Here)

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What hinders you from being an effective witness for Christ?

(Fill In Answer Here)

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What will you commit to doing to becoming a more effective witness? Set a goal for the week, and another for the month.

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