



COMMON CAUSE



Can you imagine our community being genuinely thankful for our church?

Can you imagine the community actually changing because of the impact of our church's involvement?

Can you imagine a large number of our church members actively engaged in, and passionate about, community service, using their gifts and abilities in ways they never thought possible?

Jesus imagined a connecting church, a bridge of influence. The church has to rediscover its essential role as bridge-builder! We can no longer simply afford to stand on one side of the Great Divide and shout to those on the other side!



So the question is: ***What will it take to reconnect the church and culture?***

This is the dream Jesus had for the church in Matthew 5:16.

We call it:

irresistible influence (***i*²**)

We believe in the priority of community, but we realize that community doesn't have to be an end in and of itself. Fellowship is good, community is better, but service in community is the ultimate! So, for Faith Community, the end game is service as an out-flow of community.

We believe God wants us to be:

- A church passionately committed to Jesus Christ and to his Great Commission
- A church of biblically-consistent lifestyles and priorities
- A church of radical love and selfless good deeds that astounds the world around us!

COMMON CAUSE TEAMS

a small-group structure that intentionally processes people toward finding a personal ministry of influence

Irresistible influence is about enlarging the concept of ministry. *Anything* done in the name of Christ, in the name of love, is ministry. *Anything*. Of course, the more it touches real needs and vital areas, the more influential it will be.

- Matthew 5:16
- Luke 6:31-35
- Acts 20:35
- Romans 12:20-21
- Galatians 6:9-10
- Ephesians 2:10
- 2 Thessalonians 3:13
- 1 Timothy 6:17-19
- Titus 3:8
- Titus 2:11-14
- 1 Peter 3:13

Starting a **COMMON CAUSE** team



Who will I serve?

Why will it make a difference?

What gifts, energies, abilities and resources will I need?

When will I serve?

Where will I serve?

How does this fit with the mission of FCF?

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

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