

Why do we need data collection?

We want to collect local street level information about human trafficking, which assists us in combating human trafficking by locating victims and gaining evidence against traffickers.

Our main goals in Prostitution Outreach are:

- To give God an opportunity to transform a life.
- Offer exit opportunities from the sex industry.
- Find potential victims of human trafficking.

However, along the way, it's normal to gain street level information on what is happening in the arena of human trafficking and other crime. This is valuable information and should not be ignored. However, it should not be the primary aim of prostitution outreach, as digging for information is dangerous and best done by trained investigators. But, when information is freely given and offered, we take it.

What to do with street level information:

- Compile it in an organized fashion with as many facts as possible.
- At Justice ACTs we have created a TIP sheet like the following:
 - Date
 - Information in as much detail as possible
 - How and who the information was gathered from
 - Any actual names/phone numbers or addresses that can be provided
 - The veracity of this information from our own opinion
- If we've gathered credible information we believe should be investigated, we contact our own trusted law enforcement contact. It must be someone within the organized crime division. It works best if you set up a meeting and talk directly with a detective, explaining who you are and how you came across this information.
- Don't waste their time with tips that cannot be followed up on!!!

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A Biblical View

Training Tool A

Jesus broke the culturally acceptable norms in his approach to prostitutes. When others condemned, he protected. When others turned them away, he invited them in, even when he was at someone else's home! When others shunned, Jesus touched these "dirty" women and told them their sins were forgiven. He did these things in public; in front of respected religious leaders who disapproved. Jesus was making a loud statement culturally. Later, some of these women became his regular followers, crossing Israel with him. When his disciples abandoned him, a former prostitute stayed at the cross, cared for his body in the tomb and was the first to be told of his resurrection. We need to see prostituted women and men through God's eye. They can be a living testimony of the greatness of God. Do we believe it?

What is God's character?

Isaiah 61:8

"I love Justice". This is God speaking about himself; it's irrefutable.

- Our God is fully Justice
- Our God is fully Mercy

Ephesians 2:4

"But God being rich in Mercy..."

- A God who while we were yet still sinners sent his only son for reconciliation with us.

It is extremely vital to have this as our foundation whilst working with men and women in the sex trade industry.

Isaiah 49:23

"For those who put their hope in Me will not be disappointed".

(Again, irrefutable, God is speaking about himself)

The story of Rahab – Joshua 2-6

- Rahab is a prime example of this truth.
- Historical background of Rahab's story

- Jericho, Rahab's city, had never before been conquered from the outside.
- The cities wall were thick
- Rahab lived within the very walls of the city, a place of wealth and status. Rahab was most likely well off.
- Rahab had a choice of either putting her hope in the walls of Jericho or the Living God.
- She put her hope in the Living God and was not "put to shame" or "disappointed"
- She was then honored in the lineage of Christ.

The story of Rahab is a story of God's mercy, regardless of our background or past choices.

Isaiah 45:21

"A righteous God and Savior there is none but me".

(Again God is speaking about himself)

- God calls himself "a Savior", but who does he want to save?

Historical Background

Isaiah 61

God speaking through the prophet Isaiah (740-700b.c) about the coming Messiah, Jesus Christ.

Isaiah 61: 1

"The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me to bring good news to the poor, he has sent me to bind up the broken hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prisons to those who are bound."

Women in Prostitution are broken hearted, oppressed, beaten down.

Luke 7

An example of God living this out here on earth.

In Jewish customs at the time it was a common held belief that men were far superior to women. There was even belief that the sins of women could literally leap off women and attach themselves to men.

Women were held as inferior, in low regard.

Feet were considered disgusting, the most foul part of the body. To lift ones foot and show the sole of your foot was an extremely rude gesture and would cause great offence.

In verse 37:

“A woman of the city, who was a sinner”- Most scholars agree this is most likely a woman in prostitution in the city.

This passage is a story of God on earth breaking cultural and religious boundaries to show love and grace to these women. God set her free with His forgiveness.

What role do we play?

What does the Bible call us as believers?

- Saints
- Children of Light
- Royal Priesthood

Most importantly when working with ladies in the sex trade industry:

- Ambassadors
- Imitators of Christ
- The literal meaning of Christian being ‘little Christ’

So if these things are true what is our response?

- Acts 26:18- Our calling and our privilege
- Micah 6:8 ‘Doing’ being an action, a step in faith

Prostitution Outreach is an opportunity to ‘act’ justly, to be an ambassador of the glory of the father and when we reach out to these girls/women we have the guarantee of a God that won’t disappoint.

Intercession

Training Tool B - to use before Prostitution Outreach

We go out and offer our few fish and loaves of bread. We ask God to multiply our meager, often awkward efforts. What we say are just words. But the Holy Spirit can transform those words into life. We may plan a time that's convenient for outreach team. But, God can orchestrate for a certain prostituted person to walk down the street your team is on at just the right moment. We see this happen all the time. God takes our slimy fish and stale bread and turns our simple offerings into more than we could have ever imagined. If you want God to do amazing things through your outreach, ask Him to.

There is a mandatory time of intercession/prayer before going out on outreach and should consist of these elements:

Repentance

- Getting right with God
- Spending time with God to make sure our hearts are in the right place

Authority- speaking it out

- Who are we?
- Why do we have the right to reach into the enemy's territory?

Lord's prayer

- Asking God to bring 'his Kingdom on earth'

Joshua's Footprints

- Joshua 1:3
- That God would give a similar promise

Spiritual Protection

- Full armor of God, Ephesians 6:10-20
- 'Shamar' our hearts, pray for God's protection over our hearts

Passion

- For the men and women that we will meet tonight and work with in the future

Holy Spirit

- May go before us, prepare the way

Physical Protection

- As we step into the enemy's territory

What to know before you go

Who to connect with

To fight Human Trafficking and lead women into a new life we need to work together in unity. Networking is a crucial part to get a successful ministry started and sustainable. This is a list of contacts that are key before starting an outreach geared towards women in prostitution:

Safe houses

- Trafficking Victims
- Women in Prostitution
- Domestic abuse
- Drug rehabilitation

Local NGOs

- Local organizations doing similar work on ground
- Those that reach out to women in prostitution etc.
- IOM (International Organization of Migration) for local 'counter trafficking' hot line numbers. **For teams outside South Africa, make sure you have done research on local hotline numbers.**

Churches

- In the area you will be working in
- Are they actively doing ministry?

Police

- Research and network to get a picture of the police climate
 - Competent and trustworthy when dealing with trafficking?
 - Distrustful?
 - Corrupt?

- Disinterested?
- Unavailable?
- Do they treat the women fairly?

Laws

- Understand the laws and expectations of the area you will be working in.
- Example: Thailand, prostitution is illegal, however it is one of the largest and most lucrative sex industry globally. The expectation in most large cities in Thailand is for the Police to 'turn a blind eye'.

Guidelines for outreach into strip clubs/night clubs

Goal:

Similar to street outreach, our goal and our intention is to build relationships with the girls we come across. We believe that through relationship we can effectively share the gospel and thus see true transformation. We will work hard to provide these girls with opportunities to get out of the situation that they are in, regardless of how they got there, and we will use everything we have available to us to make it happen.

Preparing to go out:

- We will have a time of intercession
 - We will ask God for direction, wisdom, and safety
- We will work out as a team a “Game plan” and “Exit plan”
 - Game plan must consist of:
 - Where we will be going that night
 - Who is going
 - How long we plan to be there (while being aware of the Holy Spirit)
 - Where the intercessors will be praying
 - Planning strategic texting to keep intercessors fully “in the loop”
 - Making sure everyone is on the same page of what we will tell the people asking why we are in these establishments
 - Exit plan must consist of:
 - Re-establishing that if one team member wants to leave for any reason, the entire team leaves with out asking questions
 - A plan of action if at any moment we as a team need to leave quickly
 - Check that everyone has the Police Contact details for your country (10111 in South Africa), and is aware of the location of the club

Entering one of the locations:

- We will pray before we go inside
- We are not to stand out on purpose:
 - By our clothing
 - By our attitudes
 - By our reactions to the things we are going to see

Our objective while in these places of business is to introduce our selves to the women as people with a desire to form relationship (while prayer and sharing the gospel is our desire, we encourage this be done at a later time in a more neutral atmosphere.)

When speaking to a girl in the clubs:

- Very often these girls have very strict rules put on them by their management and we WILL respect this
- We will not mention Justice ACTs, YWAM, or the fact that we are missionaries
- We will never go anywhere with these girls/anyone else working at the place of business while we are visiting (back rooms etc.) during the evenings
- Any one member of the team at anytime can request that the entire team leaves the establishment. The “ask questions later” policy applies here.
- We are there for the women and girls, and if approached by any man (pimp, manager, creeper, etc.) we will not explain to them what we are doing there. Our purpose is to speak and love these women, and if questioned we will answer in no other way than what “game plan” asks of us. (Eg. “we are just here to hang out”)

When meeting with these Women outside of the “business” setting:

- Always have someone from the core team with you, and alert your leader with an email or SMS your plans
- Always meet at a public setting
- Through relationship start sharing the gospel

- Never make any promises, but assess the information she shares, and start thinking if we have anything we can offer, but NEVER promise we can help in anyway
- Through relationship if we see a real desire to escape, we will then take actions to see that happen
- Always report back to your leader with an SMS or email
- Keep the idea of church as an option

Core team:

This has potential to be a dangerous ministry/outreach, and should be taken serious to those who would like to get involved. Therefore it's important to have a team of people that are committed to do this type of work. Of course there should also be an openness to those who might realize that this type of ministry is not for them long term because of different challenges (the stuff you see, upcoming memories in hurtful past experiences, the involved spiritual warfare).

Values of the core team:

- To be an established group, who have prayed into being a part of this team, and feel like God is directing them to work in this specific ministry.
- Feel open and willing to be accountable to others in the group.
- Continue to build relationships within the group, so that the entire crew can feel confident in one another
- Pray about adding individuals as a team

CHURCH INVENTORY:

Inviting the whole Body of Christ to address the needs of women in prostitution/victims of human trafficking

Outreach/Relational

I would be willing to support the outreach team through:

- Prayer (send me prayer needs/updates)
- Prayer while outreach is taking place
- Praying regularly for one of the ladies
- Helping provide outreach material (e.g. verses, cards, bookmarks)
- I would be willing to take a lady to church
- I would be willing to meet with a lady, along with a partner, to give counsel
- I would be willing to visit a lady where she stays, along with a partner
- I would be willing to pray with a lady in need of deliverance
- I would be willing to pray with a lady in need of healing prayer
- I would be willing to involve a lady in my cell/connect group
- I would be willing to invite a lady to social events/outings
- I would be willing to meet with a lady for Bible Study

Employment

- I would be willing to help a lady put together her CV
- I would be willing to assist a lady in her job-search
- I would be willing to offer part or full time employment for a lady
- I would be willing to provide part-time volunteer work for a lady
- I would be willing to help sponsor a woman to get paid for volunteer work

Amount _____ per month

I would be willing to teach a lady a craft or skill

I would be willing to help a lady obtain her I.D.

I would be willing to assist in finding accommodation for a lady

I would be willing to help financially support a lady in a temporary housing situation (i.e. half-way house; shelter, etc.) Amount _____

Accommodation

I would be willing to help with a crisis accommodation need by:

housing a lady for a limited time (until she is able to get placement somewhere else e.g. 1 day to 1 week)

staying with a lady in a crisis safe place, along with a partner, for a part of the time needed. Amount of time _____ day(s)

Other Assistance

I would be willing to help a lady who has medical needs

I would be willing to give financial assistance toward helping a lady return to her home city (e.g. petrol / bus fare to return to Durban)

I would be willing to teach a lady budgeting skills

I would be willing to teach a lady domestic skills

I would be willing to teach a lady parenting skills

I would be willing to help a lady needing literacy skills

I would be willing to teach a hobby to a lady (e.g. musical instrument; painting; knitting; etc.)

I would be willing to take a lady with me on an opportunity to serve

I would be willing to help provide for basic needs in a crisis situation: i.e. – toiletries, food, clothing

Name: _____

Phone no. _____ E-mail: _____

Church: _____

Please complete and return this form to the church office

Quantitative and Qualitative information

After you have completed any task for Justice ACTs, please fill out this form and email us with the information. (info@justiceacts.org) It will collect Quantitative and Qualitative information about the work we do in Justice ACTs in order for us to be accountable towards those providing funds. Or, use this tool to keep track of the impact your team is having! You'll be surprised at what a committed team can accomplish.

Quantitative information

Type of event?

- Traffick Proof Presentation
- Training of Traffick Proof Presenters
- Human Trafficking Awareness Raising
- Training of Service Providers
- Prostitution Outreach
- MST Outreach
- Information Blitz (handing out materials)
- Other: _____

Date of event? * Year - Month - Day

Location? * Neighbourhood, City, Province, Country

Audience? * Name of the Organization, School, Church, Network, etc.

Type of Audience?

- Non Profit Organization
- Church
- School
- Police
- Social Workers
- Business
- Community Group
- Other: _____

Number? How many people where in the audience?

Age of Audience?

- Pre Primary (Grade 0 - 3)
- Primary School (Grade 4 -7)
- High School (Grade 7-12)
- University/College Students/Young Adults
- Adults
- Other: _____

Demographics?

- Low Income Audience
- Middle Income Audience
- High Income Audience
- Mixed Incomes
- Informal Settlement/ Shanty Town/Schacks, etc
- Refugees
- Orphans

- Prisoners
- Women at Risk
- Children at Risk
- Other: _____

Race? (This is important in South Africa)

- White
- Black
- Coloured (South African term)
- Mixed
- Asian
- Latino
- Internationals
- Other: _____

Justice[A.C.Ts] Investigation Report

Personal Team Information: [Your Name(s), Organization(s)]

Location: [City/Town, Street, area, bar, etc.]

Names: [Name of contacts]

Phone Number: [Contact Details]

Time/Date: [Month, Day, Year, Time of day]

Information: [Record any information gathered. Do your best to answer “Who? What? Where? When?”]

