LIT UP WITH LOVE

What's the Story of Your Life?

WORSHIP (15 MINS)

Venue: Home gatherings

Sing one or two songs or play a song from YouTube.

Venue: Public place (school, café, park, etc.) or Via Online,

Testimonies: "What is your "high" or "your "low" this past week?"

Ask someone to do the opening prayer.

WELCOME (15 MINS)

Welcome guests/first-time visitors.

WORD(30-45 MINS)

Intro: Today, is testimony writing time.

Q: What's the story of your life? Is it one worth sharing with others?

Q; What is a Testimony? A testimony is a personal story based on individual experience. It is telling others how you found salvation in Jesus Christ and is a powerful way to communicate the Gospel. This makes the Good News relatable and easier for others to understand, especially when opportunities to share it arise. **Read 1 Corinthians 1:4-6 NIV**

Through Paul's testimony about Christ, some people in Corinth encountered and embraced God's grace, leading them to become followers of Jesus.

Instructions: Use your phone, a sheet of paper to write your testimony. When writing your testimony, follow a simple three-part structure:

- 1. Your Life Before Christ (What was your life like before knowing Jesus? What struggles, sins, or challenges did you face? How did you try to find purpose, fulfillment, or peace?)
- 2. **How You Met Christ** (What led you to realize your need for Jesus? Who or what influenced your decision (a person, a sermon, a Bible verse, an event, etc.)? When and how did you accept Jesus as your Savior?
- 3. Your Life After accepting Christ. (How has your life changed since accepting Jesus? What difference has He made in your heart, thoughts, actions, and relationships? How do you experience His love, peace, and guidance today?)

Once everyone is done, ask three to four people to share their testimony with the group. Appreciate those who boldly shared their story.

Intro: Many people around us are spiritually hungry, even those in our closest circles and communities. While we who know Jesus Christ enjoy spiritual nourishment, they often wander without direction, desperate for true spiritual sustenance, their lives marked by sadness and hopelessness.

1. People are starving for love - Love, a basic human need, is becoming harder to find. People are so desperate to feel loved and valued that they often settle for the basic expression of affection, even from others who are just as lonely as they are. Many suffer from a deep lack of genuine connection and care, not just in romantic relationships, but also from family, friends, and society in general.

The Gospel is all about God's amazing love for people. **Read John 3:16.** This is a story that others, who are desperately searching for love, truly need to hear from us. God's love is incredibly powerful. It can heal broken hearts and give new life to those who feel lost and down. When someone's life is changed by this love, it becomes a living example—a strong proof of His healing and redeeming love—and can positively affect countless others who are longing for love.

- Q: What makes people feel truly cared for by someone?
- Q: Where can people to find real, genuine connection these days?
- Q: Can you think of people today who need to experience God's love that would change their lives? Write at least three to five (3-5) names.

2. People are starving for hope – They've searched for hope in people, only to be let down by inconsistency and unreliability. They've turned to careers yet remain unfulfilled. They've pursued material things and wealth but still come up empty. People who don't know God often try to find hope in other things like money, power, relationships, or possessions. But these things were never meant to truly save us, satisfy us, or give our lives real meaning. Instead, they should point us to God, who is the true source of all those things.

Q: Have you ever gotten something you really wanted—like a very good job, success, or even a relationship—and then still felt like something was missing? What happened?

Q: How can we communicate and give someone (a family member, a friend, a co-worker, a school mate, etc.) lasting hope and happiness, beyond success or accomplishments?

Conclusion: Read I Peter 3:15 NIV

Please lead the group in a closing prayer. While eyes are closed and heads bowed, ask if there is someone willing to surrender their life to Christ. Invite the person to follow you in a simple prayer to receive Jesus as their Lord and Savior.

WORK(15 MINS)

Application

Practical steps to to becoming a Good News person:

- **1. Pray** pray for people who do not know Jesus to come into your life.
- **2. Care** when they come into your life, care for them, by listening to their story,
- **3. Share** so you will know how to apply the gospel, share your faith with them.

Things to do:

- 1. Find one or two people you can share your personal testimony this week. Share to the group on the next meeting what happened?
- 2. Pray and prepare a Hit List (max. of 5-10 names of family, relatives, friends, schoolmates, workmates, neighbors, etc.) of possible people you desire to encounter Christ in 2025.