

## **MAKING DISCIPLES TRAINING: TIPS FOR BEING A FACILITATOR**

### Getting Started

- Trust the Lord in every way to equip and enable you to accomplish His will. Christ will receive the glory through your faithful obedience to Him.
- Ask the Lord to reveal to you those people He wants you to invite to the *Making Disciples* training and to prepare their hearts to receive the invitation.
- Because the Lord wants to be involved in your endeavors, ask Him to reveal to you the best date/time to begin and the best place to hold the class.

### The Invitation

- Extend an invitation to people in person or via email, requesting they pray about the 12-week commitment. Let them know that the training and all materials are free of charge; they will want to bring their Bible and something to write with each week. (A sample email invitation is available on the Training page of the website.)
  - NOTE: If your invitees haven't responded in a reasonable amount of time, you may consider following up with a phone call or text to confirm they received your invitation.
- Once class members have committed to taking the training, pray for them, asking God to:
  - draw them closer to Himself,
  - enable them to attend each week
  - give them the desire to apply what they are learning, and
  - bless their obedience to Him.

### The Sessions

- Pray consistently for God to cover every detail of the class and for His presence to be evident.
- A few days before each class, email each class member that week's outline and lesson application for them to print and bring to class. (*Or instead, as a courtesy, you may print these documents for them to have when they arrive.*)
- Arrange the room seating so that each person will be able to have a clear view of the screen. Depending on the size of your group, you may need to display on a TV screen rather than watch class on a computer.
- To create a genuine community, be sure to introduce class members to each other.
- Also, consider meeting for an additional 20-30 minutes following the training each week to ask what people learned and discuss how each person plans to put the principles into practice.

### Remember

- As a facilitator, you are not responsible for teaching. If a person asks a question, point them to biblical truth. If the question will take too long to fully answer, feel free to follow up after class is dismissed. If you are unsure how to answer, email [carla@carlamaclachlan.com](mailto:carla@carlamaclachlan.com) for assistance.
- While you may feel responsible to "host," free yourself up from providing food each week; after all, the main purpose is to be focused on Christ.

- Pray that each person will persevere throughout the training. *When a class member misses, reach out to understand why.*
- Encourage class members to avoid becoming overwhelmed, but instead, focus on the enormous blessings of walking in obedience to Jesus one step at a time.
- If we can be of assistance in any way, please contact us at [support@carlamaclachlan.com](mailto:support@carlamaclachlan.com).