LIVE SENT

14 DAY CHALLENGE



Living “sent” means recognizing that wherever God has placed us, we have an opportunity to join Him in what He is doing in the lives of people around us.

Over the next 14 days, we’re challenging you to apply four simple practices of living sent:

Pray - turning your attention toward God + others.
Welcome - making room for others.
Go - moving toward others.
Send - using what you have for others.

Complete each challenge in any order, prayerfully asking God to open your eyes to the people around you and show you what it looks like to **live sent right where you are.**

KEY

Look for these symbols throughout the challenges. They will tell you which of the four practices corresponds with each challenge.









PRAY **WELCOME** **GO** **SEND**

RESOURCES & SUBMISSIONS

Many of the challenges include resources to help you grow in the four practices of living "sent." We also want to hear from you! Share your stories and photos from participating in the challenges. Scan the QR Code below to access these resources and submission links. We're excited to hear how God is continuing to shape you as you live sent in your everyday life!

CHALLENGE 01

PRAY BY NAME



Choose one person who doesn't know Jesus or is walking through something difficult. Pray for them by name today and throughout the challenge.

1 TIMOTHY 2:1-4

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

LEARN THEIR NAME



Introduce yourself to someone that you may regularly see, but you don't really know.

PHILIPPIANS 2:3–4

Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.

CHALLENGE 03

START THE CONVERSATION

**Resource available*

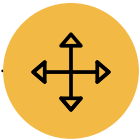


Initiate a conversation with someone you normally wouldn't interact with and learn about their story.

JOHN 4:7–9

A woman from Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.)

STRENGTHEN SOMEONE WHO SERVES



Reach out or write a note to someone who regularly pours into others; a teacher, group leader, ministry leader, volunteer, caregiver, coach, etc. Tell them specifically how you see God using them.

1 THESSALONIANS 5:9-11

For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.

FAST AND PRAY

**Resource available*



Fast from something for the day. Each time you want it, use that moment to pray for the person you wrote for the "Pray By Name" challenge.

MATTHEW 6:16-18

And when you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, that your fasting may not be seen by others but by your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

MAKE ROOM

*Resource available
+ Submission available



Invite someone into something you're already doing this week - a meal, coffee, walk, workout, errand, kids' activity, etc. Don't add something to your schedule; make room in it.

Extra Challenge: Invite someone you wouldn't normally think to invite - someone new, someone you know doesn't follow Jesus, or someone who may need community.

ROMANS 15:5-7

May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.

CROSS A CULTURE

*Resource available
+ Submission available



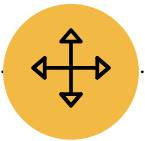
Eat at an international restaurant you've never visited. Learn your server's name, and if there's an appropriate opportunity, ask about where they're from and their story.

ACTS 17:26–27

And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, that they should seek God, and perhaps feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us.

SUPPORT THE SENT

**Resource available*



Choose one of Northstar's global partners. Write them a handwritten letter of encouragement and bring it to Northstar on November 15th and 22nd. We'll make sure it gets to them!

Extra Challenge: After writing the letter, take five minutes to pray specifically for that global partner and the people they serve.

3 JOHN 1:5–8

Beloved, it is a faithful thing you do in all your efforts for these brothers,strangers as they are, who testified to your love before the church. You will do well to send them on their journey in a manner worthy of God. For they have gone out for the sake of the name, accepting nothing from the Gentiles. Therefore we ought to support people like these, that we may be fellow workers for the truth.

PRAY BEYOND YOUR WORLD

*Resource available



Choose an unreached people group that you are unfamiliar with and intentionally pray for them.

ROMANS 10:14-15

How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!"

OPEN YOUR HOME

**Resource available*



Invite someone you don't know deeply into your home for a meal. Practice biblical hospitality by creating space to know them and their story more deeply.

1 PETER 4:9-10

Show hospitality to one another without grumbling. As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace.

TAKE THE NEXT STEP

*Resource available



Choose one person God has put on your heart and intentionally share the Gospel or your story with them

JOHN 20:21

Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, I am sending you."

GIVE BEYOND YOURSELF

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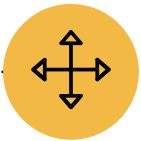

Give financially to a gospel-advancing ministry outside Northstar. Choose an amount that represents intentional generosity for you.

PHILIPPIANS 4:15–17

And you Philippians yourselves know that in the beginning of the gospel, when I left Macedonia, no church entered into partnership with me in giving and receiving, except you only. Even in Thessalonica you sent me help for my needs once and again.Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that increases to your credit.

PRAY WHERE YOU LIVE

*Resource available
+ Submission available



Take a prayer walk through your neighborhood today. As you pass homes and neighbors, intentionally pray for the people who live there. Ask God to help you see your neighborhood and the people in it the way He does.

Extra Challenge: If you encounter a neighbor, introduce yourself and ask, "Is there anything I could be praying for you about?"

JEREMIAH 29:7
But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the LORD on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.

KEEP GOING



You have prayed, welcomed, gone and sent. Ask God what is next: “Who or where are you calling me toward, and what is my next step?”

MATTHEW 28:19-20

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations,baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.