

## Here are some things you can be doing to prepare you for Evangelism & Research:

- Evangelism training. Learn how to share and teach others to share their faith. Practice not using “church” words like “walked the aisle.”
- Read up on the predominant religion in your area to have a basic understanding of their beliefs. See our resource links at [www.GoNowMissions.com](http://www.GoNowMissions.com) for info on world religions.
- A good book that will help you understand other cultures is *Foreign to Familiar* by Sarah Lanier.
- The basis of your ministry will be building relationships through which you can share your faith. Read one of the books below to help you prepare for sharing through your relationships:

*Just Walk Across the Room* by Bill Hybels

*Becoming a Contagious Christian* by Bill Hybels

*Peppermint-Filled Piñatas* by Eric Michael Bryant

*Questions to all of Your Answers* by Roger Olson

*Searching for God Knows What* by Donald Miller

*More Ready Than You Realize* by Brain McLaren

*God’s Blogs* by Lanny Donoho

*Getting Your Feet Dirty: A down-to-earth Look at Following Jesus* by Don Everts

*The Case for Faith* by Lee Strobel

*What’s So Amazing About Grace* by Philip Yancey

- Work on your scripture memory
- Go to the library or get on the Internet and learn as much as possible about the area you will be working in—the people, history, culture, religion, etc.
- Physical fitness. You will be walking and using public transportation. You need to be in good shape.
- Do personal visitation on your campus either to start a Bible study, follow up on new people at church/BSM, etc.
- Prepare 4 sermons, bible studies or devotionals.
- Find ways to involve your home and local church. By asking them to:
  - Pray for you and your people group
  - Help collect small gifts for you to give to children like stickers, pencils, etc.
  - Conduct a Prayer Walk at your church
  - If serving overseas, have them collect small Texas gifts like pencils & postcards
- Visit these websites to find out about your state or country and people group:
  - <http://www.joshuaproject.net/index.php>
  - <http://www.lonelyplanet.com/>
  - <http://www.infoplease.com/states.html>
  - <http://www.peoplegroups.info/>

