



Photo Scavenger Hunt Event

The God's Truth Project Photo Scavenger Hunt is a fun way to share God's Truth Project and talk about how God's Truth speaks to different situations.

This is your guide to help you brainstorm and host an event. This document contains photo "station" ideas, advertising materials and some helpful hints. If you have any questions, please visit us at godstruthproject.com and we'd love to help you!

Want to host your own photo scavenger hunt?

Here's what you'll need:

- This document with ideas for 8 stations and customizable advertising materials
- Smart phones
- A way for people to sign up teams (Google docs, email, good ol' fashioned paper, etc.)
- People
- Stations with corresponding coordinates
- Materials for the photo stations

Here are some ideas:

Teams:

Have people sign up in teams of 3 to 5. They can pick a team name and show team spirit!

Social Media:

Throughout the event, teams can tweet or instagram their photos with a specific hash tag. A moderator can collect the photos and then show them on a slideshow at the end of the event. You can even give out awards for the most unique, creative, and meaningful teams.

Fundraising:

We work with Kindrid to provide a responsible and transparent form of giving. Want to sponsor a project that is helping others? Have the team members donate 10 dollars to a Kindrid project to help someone in need! Find out more at www.kindrid.com. We can even create a specific project for you!

Stations:

Have local ministries that are bringing God's Truth to the people in your community? Have them host a station!



Helpful Hints:

Make sure you communicate:

- What it is
- When it is
- Where it is
- What they'll need to bring
- How long the event is
- How much it will cost to participate
- How many people they need on a team
- What the benefit is

Some things to talk about:

- God's Truth Project is a movement advocating for spiritual justice as an essential part of response to a hurting and broken world. Spiritual Justice is the opportunity for all to receive the truth found in God's Word.
- God's Truth Project works with OneHope to give the Gospel to children and youth in 125 countries in a responsible and relevant way. Together, we reach over 90 million kids a year.
- The reality children are facing around the world today is devastating, and understanding God's Truth is essential to addressing the world's problems.
- We are exploring how God's Truth speaks to social issues and the difference God's Truth can make in a person's life.
- We can advocate for Spiritual Justice every day: by talking about how God's Word can change lives and bring hope into social issues, and by living lives that have been transformed by the Gospel. We can also look at the social good we are already doing and see how we can incorporate God's Truth into other situations.
- Need more ideas? Visit us at www.godstruthproject.com

Ideas for the end of the event:

- Show a Toy Gun film like *Paper Flower* or *En Tus Manos*.
- Give individuals an opportunity to give to a Kindrid project.
- Give individuals an opportunity to give to a local organization.



God's Truth for Human Trafficking

Station Goal:

Connect the teams to the issue of human trafficking in the States, and abroad. Did you know that as many as 2.8 million children run away each year in the US? Within 48 hours of hitting the streets, one-third of these children are lured or recruited into the underground world of human trafficking, prostitution and pornography. Children need to know the truth that they are valued and important. They need to know that Jesus can bring hope to their situation.

Ideas:

Print out Elienne's story:

Meet Elienne. Her parents sold her to an "uncle" and sexually abused. She ran away from her abusive situation and tried to go home. Her parents were disappointed to have her back, burdened with another mouth to feed. She was ashamed, hopeless, alone, unloved and afraid. At nineteen, Elienne heard God's Truth for her life. Almost immediately, she felt cleansed by the Gospel and relieved of her sorrow. The Truths found in God's Word about sex and love were enlightening to Elienne and she learned that despite her past, she still has value in God's eyes and that she was created with a purpose.

Or

Give the team the link to the God's Truth Video for Human Trafficking:

<http://vimeo.com/21437192>

Photo Action:

What does *hope* look like?

Have each teammate write out a verse about hope and post a photo of all of them together.

Materials Needed:

- Props
- 3x5 cards
- Markers or Sharpies



God's Truth for Suicide

Station Goal:

Create awareness of the issue of suicide among youth and connect the team with a story of one youth's struggle with depression or suicide. Suicide is the third-leading cause of death for 15 to 24-year-olds. But an even more tragic fact is that suicide is the fourth-leading cause of death for children **10 to 14-years-old**. Youth around the US and the world need to know that they are loved and God has a purpose for their lives. They deserve to know God's love and plan for them.

Ideas:

Have someone share a story or testimony about depression or suicide. Talk about the signs of suicide and how we can help and encourage people who are dealing with depression.

Show the videos that My Broken Palace created while on the Warped Tour of teens dealing with suicide. <http://godstruthproject.com/blog/2012/09/10/warped-tour-video-update/>

And/or

Show the video *God's Truth for Suicide*: <http://godstruthproject.com/stories/>

Photo Action:

What are three things that give you hope?

Materials Needed:

- Markers
- Paper



God's Truth for Abortion

Station Goal:

Worldwide, roughly **115,000 unborn human beings are killed every day by abortion**. Fifty percent of the women choosing abortion are younger than 25. Ninety-three percent of all abortions are performed on healthy mothers with healthy babies. Even after physical healing has taken place, mothers are left with guilt, self-hatred, loss, and hopelessness. The only thing that conquers the hopelessness and destructive nature of abortion is truth. God's Word has a message of love and acceptance that can bring life and hope to mothers who have had, or are considering abortion.

Ideas:

Note: Here's an example of how you can include local ministries in your event

Local Ministry: MomsLife

MomsLife is a discipleship ministry for young, single mothers under the age of 25. The mission for MomsLife is to reach the hearts of young, single mothers by meeting the physical and spiritual needs through the integration of the Gospel.

Write a letter to one of the women at Mom's life

Activity: Have a list with the names of young mothers and include prayer cards- or just information cards about the ministry.

And/or

Show the *God's Truth for Abortion* video: <http://vimeo.com/31166215>

Photo Action:

Each team member has to play a part in an awkward family portrait. Have props for the team to choose from to create their own family and then post the results of this awkward family photo.

Materials Needed:

- Note cards
- Pens
- Props
- Background



God's Truth for Japan

Station Goal:

Communicate the issues that are facing the young people of Japan. Even though they are a developed nation- they still need God's Truth. The issue of suicide devastates Japan. In recent years, 22% of the total suicides have been from people 19 and under. **Enjo Kosai** (compensated dating)-a socially acceptable practice of prostitution where young girls are given money or luxury gifts for sexual favors. Some estimates have put the number of girls practicing enjo kosai at about 13%, and a Tokyo survey by *Friday* magazine found that an astonishing 75% of schoolgirls reported having been solicited by an older man seeking an enjo kosai relationship. That's why the Toy Gun film, *Paper Flower*, is so important. It was created for the Japanese young people. Find out more at Toygunfilms.com or Godstruthproject.com and watch the short film online.

Ideas:

Give the participants 5 minutes to make a paper flower. The fastest time wins a prize at the end of the event.

Photo Action:

Here's a wise Japanese proverb:

Not seeing is a flower.

Or

Post a picture of your team giving the origami flower to someone outside your team

Materials Needed:

- Printed out origami instructions
- Paper



God's Truth for Central African Republic

Station Goal:

Connect the team with the issues of education and health in the country of Central African Republic. Fifty percent of the population is under 20 years old. Fifty percent of those children are not in school. Thirty percent of the children in school cannot read. In some regions, 56% of children are infected with parasites. Between the education and hygiene issues plaguing CAR, these children need to know that God brings life and hope to their lives.

Ideas:

Show the *God's Truth for CAR* video: <http://godstruthproject.com/get-involved/media/>

Photo Action:

Have the team pick three teammates to do different activities to be photographed and posted. Have one person bounce a basketball through their legs 5 times. Then have the next person drink a liter of water. Finally have the last person make a pyramid of books standing up.

And/or

Have the team answer trivia questions based on the information from the video.

Materials Needed:

Basketball, Books, and Water

Or

Trivia questions



God's Truth for Orphans

Station Goal:

Connect the team with the orphan crisis throughout the world through a real life story. Every day, 5,760 children become orphans globally and in Africa alone 2,102,400 children are orphaned every year. God's Word has a message of belonging and identity. Every orphan needs to know the truth and hope that their eternal Father loves them.

Ideas:

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Local ministry: Taylor's Closet

Show Taylor's Closet video: <http://taylorscloset.org/about-tc-2/>

The mission of Taylor's Closet is to create a community where girls who are in foster care and girls in need will be empowered to break the cycle of abuse and neglect and live happy, healthy, and productive lives, realizing their God given destiny.

Action: Have the team pick from props and model them for a post on Twitter or Instagram like a fashion show

And/or

Show the God's Truth for Orphans video: <http://vimeo.com/21404197>

Photo Action:

Post a photo of your teams fashion show

Find a family and post their picture

Materials Needed:

Box of props



God's Truth for Juvenile Offenders

Station Goal:

Bring awareness to the more than 2 million children in the United States that enter the juvenile justice system every year. Connect the team to an issue that is right in their backyards. These youth need to know that the redeeming love of God is strong enough to forgive their past and change their future.

Ideas:

Ask the team members to draw a face and then give the face a name. Then, tell them that their person is a child in prison. Have them write around the face feelings that the child might experience.

Read them these statistics:

The number of young people who are entering jails and prisons increases annually, and their crimes are more violent as more are being tried as adults. The statistics are concerning: over 75% were raised in homes where there wasn't a father, and nearly 80% will be arrested again after serving time. There are 2.1 million children in the United States who have a parent incarcerated. Seventy-five percent of children with one or more incarcerated parents will enter the criminal justice system as teens or adults.

God's Truth Project and OneHope are dedicated to catalyzing a movement among churches and ministry organizations across North America to reach this unique and growing population of young people through our program *Decide/Inside*. This special edition *Book of Hope* contains graphic novel artwork and Bible stories retold using contemporary vocabulary and written at an appropriate comprehension level. The book will engage participants in God's Word, and allow your team of volunteers to relate Scripture to everyday life. The book also includes activities, encourages journaling and other creative channels. (<http://vimeo.com/28197182>)

Photo Action:

Post a picture of the faces the team members drew in the activity

Materials Needed:

- Paper
- Drawing materials



God's Truth for Your Community

Station Goal:

Present the team with ministries within their community that they can not only advocate for, but also take action and volunteer to make a difference within their community. This station is designed to help each individual be aware of what organizations are working in their area and who they are reaching.

Ideas:

- Highlight two organizations and have a representative from each at the station to give information about what they do in the community.
- Have a sheet that quickly explains several organizations or ministries on a sheet that each person can take away with them.

Photo Action:

What does community mean to you?

Materials Needed:

- Sheet of local organizations with volunteer opportunities



God's Truth For You

Station Goal:

To have participants connect and apply God's Truth to their daily lives.

Ideas:

Have various Bible verses written out and have each participant write how you can apply that to your daily life and post a photo.

Write your God's Truth For... on a piece of paper and take a picture to post with a specialized hashtag so that everyone can see the gallery.

Photo Action:

Post the photo of you with your God's Truth for sign.

Have a photo booth with a Polaroid camera and a board to hang all the photos.

Materials Needed:

Paper

Pens

Markers

Camera (digital/Polaroid/iPhone)