

BUILDING FOR *Hope*

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iSpy Neighborhood Discovery

Deadline: Sunday, October 19

When you look around our neighborhood, what do you notice first? Where is the closest school, the nearest place to eat, or a spot where people gather? And as you look deeper: Who is present? Who is missing? What brings joy? What raises concern? What inspires hope? Where do you notice God already at work?

These questions are at the heart of iSpy. Together, we will take a closer look at our community and listen for what God is showing us.

How to Participate

1. On your own or with a partner

Use the iSpy guide anytime before October 19. Walk or drive with a friend, someone you serve beside in ministry, your Sunday School class, or your small group.

2. or join a group tour

- **Monday, October 6 at 9:30 a.m.** – Driving tour with April Kennedy (wider neighborhood)
- **Monday, October 6 at 12:30 p.m.** – Walking neighborhood tour with April Kennedy
- **Wednesday, October 8 at 5:30 p.m.** – Driving tour with Sterling Severns (wider neighborhood). Optional dinner afterward



Scan to sign
up for a
group tour.

Please complete iSpy by October 19.

Questions may be directed to Ryan Corbitt, Dan Herman, April Kennedy, or Sterling Severns

PART ONE

OUT AND ABOUT

On your own or in pairs, go on a walk around the neighborhood and community surrounding your church for 30-60 minutes. Fill out this part of this sheet simply through observation.

☐ Something that smells good:

☐ A facility used well:

☐ Somewhere safe:

☐ Something beautiful:

☐ Something loud:

☐ Something unique:

☐ Something you'd miss if it disappeared:

☐ Somewhere people are gathered and happy:

☐ Something that stinks:

☐ A place people should be, but are not:

☐ Somewhere unsafe:

☐ Something ugly:

☐ Something quiet:

☐ Something that's buzzing:

☐ Something that's growing:

☐ Somewhere people are gathering and making mischief:

PART TWO

CONVERSATIONS WITH LOCALS

Have at least two brief conversations, maybe even with someone you pass as you are out on your walk. Ask them what they consider the biggest assets/strengths or challenges in the neighborhood and community.

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PART THREE

DEBRIEF

When you gather to debrief, here are some questions you might ask:

- ★ What surprised you the most?
- ★ Where do you see the greatest opportunity?
- ★ What is the greatest asset that you discovered?
- ★ What did you discover that makes you want to act?

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our wider community?

What do we **LOVE** about
our wider community?

What do we **LONG FOR**
in our wider community?

What is **LACKING** in
our wider community?