

B.L.E.S.S. PLEDGE

Jesus commanded us to be a blessing to the world around us when He said, "Love your neighbor as yourself" (Mark 12:31). In obedience to that command, I pledge to do one of the following five B.L.E.S.S. practices every day:



B: BEGIN WITH PRAYER

I pledge to pray for my neighbors. My example is Jesus, who started His earthly mission with prayer (Luke 6:12-16). Prayer is both how I discover my mission and how I do the mission of Jesus.



L: LISTEN

I pledge to listen to my neighbors. My example is Jesus, who loved others by asking questions and then listening to them (Luke 18:40-42). Listening is how I give dignity to others, and it is a gracious expression of love.



E: EAT

I pledge to eat with my neighbors. My example is Jesus, who consistently shared meals with the "sinners" (Matthew 9:9-13). Eating with others is how I move a relationship from an acquaintance to a friendship.



S: SERVE

I pledge to serve my neighbors. My example is Jesus, who did not come to be served, but to serve others (Matthew 20:28). Serving others is a tangible way I can demonstrate the love of God to others.



S: STORY

I pledge to share my story with my neighbors. My example is Jesus, who shared the good news of His own story with others (John 3:1-17). Sharing my story gives others a clear understanding of how God's love and the life of Jesus can change their lives.

Signed (your name, today's date)

Witness #1 (name and date)

Witness #2 (name and date)