

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
SALLTed Spring 2016 “No one else is coming”

There came a tipping point moment in ancient Jerusalem at which the citizenry at large rose up in unison to rebuild the broken walls of the city. They moved past thinking about it, to *doing* it. It was a galvanizing event toward the restoration of their community shalom. This was SALLTed Spring 2016, for it was SALLT membership at large, not staff, which declared the time ripe to craft a master strategy for the Kingdom transformation of Oklahoma City.

The call to action: The strategy is focused around the idea of the African tribal greeting, “How are the children?” The well-being of this tribe is measured by this question with the hopeful answer being “The children are well.” Our own reality is that tens of thousands of our children are *not* well for they live lives of despair and hopelessness. This is not God’s first plan for their lives. So, how do God’s leaders assigned to OKC change that narrative over the next generation while, at the same time, “touching” our OKC children’s families?

Answer: They craft a comprehensive, biblical, long term strategy and call the Church of the city and like-hearted citizens to action.

Methodology: It was announced that there are several ways to initially engage in this.

A. We need **operational leaders** who are willing to commit for the next 6 months to meet with others to develop a plan for human flourishing within one of four specific geographical sectors. The sectors are Northeast, Northwest, South and Urban Core.

This group will be asked to

1. Attend follow up meetings that will ultimately provide the opportunity to connect with one specific geographical sector.
2. Corporately agree to the starting point of interest (school, apartment etc...) in your sector and a corresponding manageable geographical region surrounding that point.
3. Through the lens of the indicators of human flourishing, develop a clear picture of the present state of that area.
4. Prioritize the issues discovered and begin developing a 2-year plan to be part of the solution understanding the long-term is an 18-year strategy.

B. If you are unable to participate as an operational leader, you are needed as a **resource leader:**

1. Make yourself, and your assets, available when the plan is ready to be executed.
2. Educate those in your sphere of influence about this initiative in the hopes they will fold into the strategy and action in the future.
3. Consider the possibility of becoming a leader in executing the plan once it has been developed.

C. ALL are requested to pray for the How are the children? Initiative and the unity of the church.

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