

25 Ways to Minister to the Mission Field in Your City

1. **Diaspora-owned businesses** (support a diaspora-owned business or help the foreign-born start a business)
2. **International Students** (befriend a student from another country)
3. **Neighbors and Co-workers** (learn how to love your neighbors or co-workers from another country)
4. **Refugee Ministry** (assist a refugee in their transition to the US)
5. **Urban Ministry** (help the diaspora who live in poverty or high-crime neighborhoods)
6. **English as a Second Language** (help the diaspora learn English)
7. **Training Prisoners for Diaspora Ministry** (train prisoners to be effective ministers on the inside and upon release)
8. **Welcoming Former Prisoners to the Local Church** (help the formerly incarcerated make the cultural shift from prison to civilian culture)
9. **Diplomats and Professionals** (befriend those who are here for medical, business, or diplomatic careers)
10. **Justice and Advocacy** (help the diaspora with legal or systemic challenges)
11. **Training for Evangelism and Discipleship** (learn how to declare the love of Christ and disciple cross-culturally)
12. **Training for Church Planting** (learn how to plant an indigenously-led church)
13. **Learning about World Missions** (take the first or next steps in understanding the Great Commission) [could include coaching]
14. **Strategic Prayer** (receive guidance in praying for specific people groups in Houston)
15. **Administrative** (provide support for ministries needing administrative gifts)
16. **Research** (provide support for those needing research)
17. **Media or Technical Support** (provide support for those needing technical skills)
18. **Bible and Ministry Training** (receive or provide affordable ministry training using turn-key programs available)
19. **Islam** (learn about ministry to people from Muslim backgrounds)
20. **Buddhism and Hinduism** (learn about ministry to people with Buddhist or Hindu backgrounds)
21. **Tribal Religions** (learn about ministry to people with Tribal backgrounds)
22. **Strengthening Existing Diaspora Churches** (support existing Christian churches made up of diaspora cultures)
23. **Children** (connect with ministries to children including public schools)
24. **Whole-person Health and Wellness** (connect with those specializing in health, trauma healing, or disability challenges)
25. **Scripture and Related Resources** (access to Bibles and Scripture-related materials in several languages)