

GUTSI GOAL PLANNING WORKSHEET



EXAMPLE GUTSI GOAL: CREATE A BIBLE-BASED LITERACY PROGRAM TO EQUIP ILLITERATE ADULTS IN A RURAL SPANISH-SPEAKING COMMUNITY IN SOUTH AMERICA.

Planning Step	Example	Your GUTSI Goal Plan
1. Identify Foundational Scripture	Psalm 119:130 – “ <i>The unfolding of your words gives light; it gives understanding to the simple.</i> ”	
2. Illuminate Purpose	To teach reading through Scripture and empower spiritual growth. Vision: A literate, faith-filled community transformed by God’s Word.	
3. Define GUTSI Goal	Teach 50 adults to read within the first year using Bible-based materials with a goal of teaching 70% of illiterate adults in the community to read. Train 5 local leaders to continue the program.	
4. Devise Faith-Based Action Plan	Develop curriculum, translate materials; recruit and train volunteer instructors; pilot one class; refine program; and launch classes at 3 locations.	
5. Anticipate Divine Interruptions	Be prepared for travel challenges, language and cultural barriers, local opposition, unexpected new partners, and expansion that may be faster or slower than anticipated.	
6. Establish Flexible Faith-Driven Timelines	Plan for a 12-month rollout, knowing some areas may open sooner or later depending on readiness, resources and God’s plan and timing.	
7. Determine Necessary Resources	Curriculum Designer, local Project Coordinator, and Volunteers; Spanish-language Bibles; classroom space; workbooks; approximately \$5,000 start-up budget.	
8. Create Accountability System	Align with a church or faith-based organization for advice, accountability and reporting; Bi-weekly check-ins with Project Coordinator in the village; Monthly calls with ministry teachers and volunteers.	
9. Conduct Progress Reviews	Quarterly review meetings, participant and community feedback surveys; secure personal testimonies; teacher observation notes, storytelling, and participant self-reflection. Prayerfully revise the program based on feedback and results.	
10. Celebrate Victories	Host a luncheon for the volunteers at the end of training. Plan graduation for the first class; share testimonies, distribute Bibles and other books to each new reader.	