

Crossing Cultures Workshop

Step into the world around you

Crossing Cultures is an eye-opening weekend workshop that invites you to step out from everyday life and familiar surroundings into a nearby community that may be different than yours. Learn how to initiate conversations, ask questions, and listen to stories as you explore the cultures of local immigrants or others who live in your own city.

Like a Mission Trip in a Weekend

Crossing Cultures will expose you and your church to the lives and needs of ethnic communities close to home, many with little opportunity to hear the gospel. The training, experience, and debriefing will challenge your church for fresh local and global outreach and wider involvement in ministry.

Crossing Cultures can also be used to equip short-term mission teams, helping them cultivate cultural sensitivity and a learner's attitude.

Gain Useful Skills

Participants will learn techniques used since 1988 to train teams for cultural research in communities across the world – as applicable to exploring cultures close to home as those across the globe.



See through someone else's eyes

About Our Ministry

This workshop is based on the concepts described in the book *Exploring the Land*, published by Caleb Project in 1995. Lead trainer Marti Smith is a teacher, writer, and consultant and has equipped dozens of short-term teams with these methods since 1995. She is also the author of *Through Her Eyes*, a book about the lives of missionary women in the Muslim world and serves with the mission agency PIONEERS.



TYPICAL SCHEDULE

Friday

6:00 pm Registration
6:30 pm Welcome and introductions
7:00 pm Cultural dinner

Saturday

8:00 am Worship and prayer
8:30 am Training
11:30 am Neighborhood assignments

12:00 am Visit ethnic neighborhoods
4:00 pm Debriefing
5:00 pm Next steps

HOW TO SCHEDULE A WORKSHOP

To bring **Crossing Cultures** to your church or group, or to request more information, write to msmith@orlandoteam.com

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