

Ministry and Culture

Culture Defined

The core value of those who share an identity with a place, religion, or membership in an ethnic or class group.

Cultural Influences

1. Place: region

The cultural influence of the place where we minister is...

2. Religion: shared belief system

The belief systems in the community where we minister are...

3. Ethnicity: less significant for the dominate group who do not have to stop and think about their ethnic identity.

The ethnic makeup of the community in which we minister is...

Culture is Dynamic/Changing and Defines:

1. What is Important and Valuable (Core Values)

The core values in the community in which we minister are...

2. How Families Socialize Their Members

How families socialize their members in our community...

Cultural Heritage

1. USA and Other Countries

The persons in our community come from what nationalities...

2. Faith: Past and Present

The persons in our community come from what faith heritage...

3. Privileged vs. Oppressed

The persons in our community are privileged in what ways.....

The persons in our community are oppressed in what ways...

God Values Everyone

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| ◆ Children | Matthew 19:14 |
| ◆ Women | Gen 5:2, Gal 3:28 |
| ◆ Men | Gen 5:2, Gal 3:28 |
| ◆ Married | Mark 10:6-8 |
| ◆ Single | I Cor. 7:1 & 8 |
| ◆ Widows | I Tim 5:3, Deut 14:29 |
| ◆ Orphans | Deut 14:29 |
| ◆ Divorced | John 4:7-26 |
| ◆ Oppressed | Matthew 8:2-4 |



Cultural Evaluation and Assessment

What are the overall positive cultural influences in the community in which we minister?

What are the overall negative cultural influences in the community in which we minister?

What ministry strategies will we use to overcome negative cultural influences?