



ICE BREAKER QUESTIONS

- What are some of your family traditions? How did they get started?
- What is something new you would like to learn how to do?
- What is the riskiest thing you have ever done?

**Cultural
Lens**

Core Problem

**What People
Seek**

Gospel Emphasis

**Guilt—
Innocence**

“I have done
wrong.”

Forgiveness /
innocence

**Jesus forgives
sins**

**Shame—
Honor**

“I am disgraced or
excluded.”

Honor /
belonging

**Jesus removes
shame and brings
us into God's
family**

Fear—Power

“I am vulnerable to
powers beyond
me.”

Protection /
power

**Jesus defeats evil
powers and gives
authority**



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Reactions to the Peace Child story:
 - What emotions did this book elicit inside of you?
 - What are you wrestling with?
 - What intrigued you?
 - How is God using this story to grow your faith?
- Consider the thoughts, attitudes, & actions of Don and Carol Richardson:
 - What characteristics stood out to you the most?
 - What can we learn from their story?



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Within the story, what event(s) would you say were the most pivotal for the Sawi people understanding the gospel? What were Don & Carol's role in those events?
- Don used redemptive analogies to culturally bridge and contextualize the gospel message into the worldview of the Sawi tribe.
 - How did Don & Carol stumble onto the concept of a peace child?
 - What does the concept of redemptive analogies teach you about God & the world-wide human condition?



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- If we believe that God was able to communicate His love and redemption through Christ to the Sawi people-
 - How can we apply the same practice of searching for redemptive analogies for our community in 2026?
 - Any ideas of what redemptive analogies would look like or prioritize to communicate the gospel in Cobb County in 2026?



RESPONSE: PRAY-

- For one Another:
 - After reading Peace Child, is God leading you to do differently in your life? If so, you can share.
 - How would you like for your table to pray for you?
- Intercession for the Unreached:
 - Pray for the 7,400 unreached people groups around the world.
 - Pray for the workers who are seeking to communicate the gospel of Jesus in these areas.
- Pray for creative redemptive analogies & greater understanding of how Jesus is understood in these communities.
- Pray for our StoneBridge overseas workers serving around the world.



TOM & LEIGH ANN

Tom will lead a team to the Middle East to pray for the Muslim world and all that is happening now in that region. He will then travel on to a large Southeast Asia country where we have been working there for over 12 years.

- Pray for the unreached minority people group that we have been ministering to for several years. Several have come to faith and we are looking for creative ways to disciple them.
- Please pray for the house church we have been serving alongside. The government has shut down their public gatherings, and they are now forced to meet secretly in homes. Pray for wisdom, courage, and clear direction as they seek to continue growing and advancing God's Kingdom under these new restrictions.
- Persecution has been increasing in this country in the last few years. Many are going to prison for their faith. Pray for boldness, courage and encouragement as they follow Jesus in these increasingly difficult circumstances.

TYLER & CLAUDIA



- Some believing friends of ours are in the process of planting a local-only church. They are currently struggling to find a safe place to meet, as congregating as a body is illegal. Please pray that a location with a believing landlord will be made known to them as they hope to officially begin services soon
- Pray for us as we are at the beginning of language acquisition. The language spoken here is very difficult for English speakers to learn! Our prayer is that we will be able to communicate effectively with our neighbors. We have already had many encounters where locals have been taken aback by our effort to learn their language, and we pray this would be a picture of God to them!
- Pray that the Lord would be our guide and comforter. Pray for wisdom about which relationships to invest in as we grow roots and build community in our city. Pray also that He would comfort us in our longing to know and be known by people here, and that He would comfort us as we miss friends, family, and church from the States.



Pray that the Church continues to grow amidst the intense opposition and persecution. Pray for:

- Revival. Some areas have been Christian for centuries (in North Sulawesi, North Sumatra, West Timor, Maluku). Many denominations there lack spiritual life. They struggle with immorality, divisions, and even indigenous occult practices.
- More mature, spiritual leaders. The rapid growth of newer Pentecostal and charismatic churches created a need for discipleship and training for both lay leaders and pastors.
- New believers from a Muslim background, who often face rejection and persecution from their communities. They can also find it difficult to fit into Christian culture and churches. Pray for whole households to come to Christ, and to follow Christ within their own culture.



SPIRITUAL READING

ENGAGEMENT

