



MISSION

Heart for the City is a ministry of Re:source Global that exists to guide churches and organizations toward postures and practices of biblically-centered justice and compassion.

VISION

To ignite a movement of locally-focused, globally-minded churches and organizations that serve their communities in healthy and sustainable ways.

DOC FUDER

Dr. John Fuder is the Founder and Executive Director of Heart for the City, a ministry, faithfully sustained by support- raising, of Re:source Global.

Doc Fuder served in urban ministry for fifteen years in California, and was the Professor of Urban Studies at Moody Theological Seminary in Chicago for seventeen years. Now Dr. Fuder is teaching, training and coaching the broader body of Christ to engage more deeply in



ENGAGE

We guide ministry leaders and church members in community analysis- a tangible approach in learning how to understand and reach your community in order to effectively proclaim the Gospel.

Numbers 13-14



EQUIP

We teach and consult leaders and church members through workshops and seminars in the area of biblical foundations of justice and compassion as well as developing sustainable models of local and global outreach.

Micah 6:8



INSPIRE

We develop uniquely crafted practical opportunities to help the body of Christ understand God's heart for the city, the marginalized and gentrifying suburban communities.

James 1:27

NEIGHBORHOOD MAPPING

Seminars and Conferences

Interested in engaging more deeply with your community? Heart for the City is coming to a city near you! We are engaged in training through city-wide regional conferences in order to equip churches and ministries with the tools of community analysis and to help unify churches, ministries, organizations or new church plants to proclaim the Gospel in practical ways locally and globally. These conferences are discussion-oriented, church-centered and follow-up focused. Training options include:

1 Thessalonians 2:7-8

Half-day workshops

Saturday Seminars

Engage Weekends

Consultations

Classes for Church Plants

Urban Plunges

Come explore first-hand the rich diversity and ministries that God is using to advance his Kingdom in Chicago. Receive hands-on training in urban ministry as we debrief together and process through our experience Biblically. This is a great opportunity for youth groups and local missions to spend the week or weekend growing in compassion and nurturing their heart for the city.

Matthew 9:13

Jeremiah 29:7

Bus Tours

Heart for the City bus tours are a product of nearly 20 years of building relationships with ministries and neighborhoods all over the city of Chicago. This tour allows you to experience the rich history, culture and diversity of Chicago through a biblical lens. As we drive through several of Chicago's 77 neighborhoods, we will be:

- Reading Scripture
- Praying for specific areas
- Praising God through song
- Visiting significant places of Chicago's history and God's work in the city
- Sharing many stories about faithful servants of God, past and present, in Chicago

Global Conversations

In partnership with Re:source Global, Heart for the City is involved in the development of mutual learning among Christian leaders and ministry practitioners across cultures helping us move toward new postures and partnerships in local and global missions.

Philippians 1:3-5

Heart for the City has been involved and traveled to various international settings including areas of Africa, Asia, and the Middle East for the purpose of creating these partnerships with emerging leaders and investigating where God is already at work.

Nehemiah 2:11-17

TESTIMONIALS

They say the world is flat and that we are all one big interconnected community, yet many Churches still know little about their own communities. Dr. Fuder's teachings help insure more effective outreach and better stewardship of Kingdom resources for reaching your community.

Steve Roa

Director of Strategic Partnerships, US Center of World Missions

I've had the privilege of working with my friend Dr. John Fuder for close to 25 years to make the Gospel relevant to under-resourced communities. It is with great enthusiasm that I recommend these tools to anyone who has a heart for seeing their communities impacted by the good news of Jesus Christ.

Noel Catellanos

CEO, Christian Community Development Association (CCDA)

Today most Christian are not short on a desire to impact neighborhoods for Christ. Our only challenge is that our good intentions are soon sabotaged by our inability to know and understand the neighborhood dynamics in which we are trying to work. This "pin the tail on the donkey" approach to neighborhood ministry sometimes is more harmful than helpful. SO, a big time "thanks" to my friend John Fuder, who helps us take the blindfold off so that we can minister with eyes wide open toward effective outcomes.

Dr. Joseph Stowell

President, Cornerstone University

John is a man who loves the Lord, but who also loves the great city of Chicago with its sprawling neighborhoods, broken social system, and well known reputation for criminal activity! Rather than run from these challenges, he is attracted to them, believing that God can be counted on to work mightily where the needs are greatest. At last we can benefit from John's expertise, so that we can better understand our particular city and minister without fear knowing that God Himself loves the cities of the world.

Dr. Erwin Lutzer

Senior Pastor, The Moody Church



PUBLICATIONS

Training Students for Urban Ministry

A Heart for the City: Effective Ministries to the Urban Community

A Heart for the Community: New Models for Urban and Suburban Ministry

Neighborhood Mapping: How to Make Your Church Invaluable to the Community

Chicago Neighborhood Prayer Guide: Seeking God's Peace for the City.

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