
Saint Paul Intergroup — Group Outreach Script

Instructions

If you have questions about Outreach, email outreach@aastpaul.org, or call the office.

- Arrive early – ask that you be directed to the trusted servant.
- Explain to him/her that you are from St Paul Intergroup – ask if it is okay to make a short announcement and when they would like you to make it. Some groups have regular time scheduled for announcements.
- Ask the trusted servant where you can leave the fliers you've brought.
- Leave one packet with each group (includes "Be an Intergroup Rep" flier, a few recent copies of Lifeline, a contribution envelope, and volunteer sheets).
- On the way to the meeting, contemplate your own experience. What about AA do you find exciting, fun, and attractive? Think about how your presentation may carry the message to the still suffering alcoholic.

Script

Hi everyone, my name is _____ and I'm an alcoholic. Thank you for your time. I'm here today to take a few minutes to tell you a little about what goes on at St. Paul Intergroup. Intergroup is the place people reach when they look up AA in the phone book/or on the website. I will share with you how Intergroup carries the AA message and how you can help. Intergroup wants to invite you to participate. We have a good time and would like to invite your group to start coming and sharing that experience with us.

First: how do we carry the message?

- We answer phone 24 hours a day. Please ask me about Night Owl shifts.
- We publish a directory, which you can purchase at the Intergroup office or you can access it online at www.aastpaul.org. The directory lists over 600 meetings in our area.
- We sell AA literature, medallions, and pins.
- We provide temporary sponsors.
- We provide temporary contacts for people in treatment and correctional facilities.
- Intergroup maintains a list of Speakers and those willing to do 12 Step work. I'll say more about our volunteer sheets in a sec.
- We publish Lifeline, your monthly newsletter which you can read at the website also.
- We maintain an incredible website with meeting and event information. The address is www.aastpaul.org

I'm going to leave some of our volunteer sign-up sheets for you to fill out if you're interested in signing up for any of the volunteer 12 Step work I just mentioned. It's exciting and rewarding work.

Second: Why do we want you to participate? Your group has a right to decide how things are done at Intergroup. Intergroup is responsible to the member groups which it serves. That's you. So... we do a better job of serving you when we know what you want. We can't know what you want unless your group is represented at the Intergroup meetings. Your group can elect its own Representative to come – but the meeting is open to any AA member. We want you to come to the monthly meeting held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:30 PM. The meeting is located at Saint Stanislaus Church at 187 Western Avenue South in Saint Paul. It is directly across from the intergroup office on West 7th Street and Michigan Avenue. There is parking lot around the church.

Third: Why would you participate? Chapter 7 of *Alcoholics Anonymous* begins: "Practical experience shows that nothing will so much insure immunity from drinking as intensive work with other alcoholics." This is our "guarantee".

Last but not least: I'd like to thank you for all the contributions you've made in the past! Intergroup is mostly supported by contributions made by groups and individuals. Also, lots of people have decided to become faithful fivers and you may want to consider becoming a faithful fiver too. That's someone who contributes 5 or 10 dollars a month to Intergroup. I'm going to leave some envelopes with your trusted servant that you may use if you are interested.

I'd like to stay for your meeting. I hope that if you have any questions, you'll come over and talk with me afterwards. If I can't answer your questions I will be happy to give you the name and phone number of someone who can. I appreciate the time you've given me.