



**Church of the Redeemer  
Visions of Ministry  
Open Space Report**

**Topic:** **Urban Ministry**

**Summary of Key Discussion Points:**

What does Urban Ministry mean to us?

- Looking outward to the community. Taking the church into the community rather than having them come to us.
- Important to meet the needs of our community neighbours – not for conversion but for community building.
- Target groups:
  - Seniors
  - University students
  - Theological students, so they can experience what a vibrant parish is like.
  - Those who can't attend programs.
  - Those who don't live in Toronto.

**Next Steps:**

How do we reach out to these people?

- Use 20's and 30's group to help reach the university group.
- Community meals for seniors, students, and people in the proximity that seek fellowship. A place to come together where the door is always open.
- Fill a need for students away from home who are homesick. We have lots of mothers and grandmothers!
- Podcasting of sermons or whole services.
- Display outside on Bloor Street what is happening inside.

Question from the floor: Would this be looking outward to the business community too? Answer - yes.