

How Do You Communicate Your Mission Experience and Knowledge to the Church After Your Reentry?

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1. Plan your typical verbal responses. They should be interesting yet concise. Focus on one or two aspects of your foreign work.
2. Arrange for an article in your local paper about your work and return.
3. Schedule demonstrations in clubs (e.g., 4-H, PTA, Rotary) and in your home about the foreign country where you served.
4. Invite the local church by groups to your home for national food and sharing. (Work with small groups until you expose the entire congregation.) Show comparisons between the history of the country where you have served and the U.S.
5. Have a victory dinner for supporters, which includes national food, dress, music, art or décor.
6. Carry national literature to share (e.g., books, magazines).
7. Teach classes in local churches, colleges and community groups (e.g., slide presentations).
8. Form and serve on a missions and/or missions education committee in your local church.
9. Create prayer groups whose emphasis is on missions.
10. Urge letter writing to your missionaries.
11. Work for an international consulting firm.
12. Start your own international consulting firm.
13. Become acquainted with and nurture foreign students studying at local universities.
14. Become acquainted with and nurture foreign medical patients.
15. Invite international business families to your home.
16. Cultivate the friendship of visiting professors.
17. Identify and relate to high school and university exchange students.
18. Identify and relate to visiting business and civic leaders.
19. Establish contacts with representatives of international education offices at universities.
20. Continue your personal newsletters for at least one year.

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