

ear & go along with whatever way the Spirit is moving.

14. You may think you can take it & you may be able to carry on that long & you get under the inspiration of the Spirit or your own spirit & the thrill of being there & the fellowship & you get carried away & you carry on too long, but then afterwards you nearly collapse. Do not push the poor people too hard & too long so that they are going to groan the next time they hear you're coming & think of those long torturous ordeals called meetings!

15. When we were in evangelistic work we usually counted on a meeting being not more than about an-hour-&a-half. That was the standard average, which was about all we could stand & all the people could stand. We started at 7:30 & we tried to wind it up as close as we could to 9:00 dismissal & then we always had, of course, an after-service with the people at the altar & praying for the sick or praying for souls to be saved or dealing with problem cases, & we were usually there another half-an-hour to an hour.

16. So if you don't keep your public meeting short you're going to find out that your dealing with people afterward & praying with people afterwards & dealing with cases of sickness or salvation or problems or leaders or whatever is going to stretch out your own participation so long that you're going to run into two or three hours anyway.

17. They wouldn't mind coming back again the next time if you let'm out early. But if you started stretching out the meetings too late, then they got weary very fast & then they'd stop coming & your crowd dwindled & your congregation of hearers dwindled.

18. So try to cut it short & stick to a programme schedule that will not wear you out either, you or your congregation, nor you & the people in the after-service which you'll almost always have. If you didn't have it with people at the altar praying for the sick or souls, usually you had it with the leadership or the pastor, & we'd go out then after the service for a snack or to his house & have another conference with him & his wife or the elders & that'd be another hour.

19. I'd almost recommend one meeting each two weeks to really give you plenty of time to make plans & arrangements & give yourself travel time & rest-up time after your trip before you

meet with the leaders to plan your programme, & then plenty of time for your public meetings & committee meetings, leadership meetings during the weekend & then maybe some after-meetings with needy cases or leadership when the public meetings are over.

20. You're going to have to have maybe a day for goodbye & a day for travel & a day for rest—there's three days gone right there in-between your weekend meetings. A meeting every weekend would keep your schedule very tight. You may find that you may have to stretch some of them out a little longer & maybe due to the programmes & dates & arrangements for facilities you may happily find out that you're glad some of the meetings are two weeks apart, although you may have to push it with some & may have to have some of them a week apart. I'd say at least a week apart & not more than two weeks apart if possible. (Unless it's a one-week NAF.)

21. That gives you plenty of time to rest & recuperate in-between, get refreshed, take care of your mail, phone calls, communication, reports & tours of the city to show us the sights of the city via video & what it's like there etc.

22. There are so many things you, as an evangelist, can discuss with the people! We were always having to have private discussions. Somebody would say, "I've just got to see you!" A sister might want to have a talk with you & prayer with you about a certain problem—maybe she had a problem with the pastor or the preacher's wife or her husband, or maybe she was just tired of the place & wanted to go someplace else & wanted to know where she could go or something.

23. There are always people who'll want to have private sessions with you, private conversation, a private prayer & discuss something they don't even want to discuss before the leaders or the local people, & they need to talk to somebody. You're the visiting evangelist & you're the ear they're looking for & waiting for to hear their pleas!

24. They can't appeal to the local judges because they've already judged them & maybe don't like them & maybe there's good reason for it, so they're waiting for an outside judge to come in & judge their case. That way you can also give much better unprejudiced judgement because you don't know the case or