

# The Salamanca Process:

## 4 steps to making the world a better place



Nation



City



Planet



State

1. **Pray these words of Jesus:** “I pray not only for them, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, so that they may all be one, as you, Father, are in me and I in you, that they also may be in us, that the world may believe that you sent me.” (Jn 17:20-21)
2. **Write above one question you have** about an injustice in your neighborhood, city, state, nation and planet. For example: Are the sidewalks curb cuts in your neighborhood safe for persons with disabilities? Does your city have a plan for renewable energy? Does your state adequately fund childcare for single working parents? How do unjust economic systems impact the health of Planet Earth?
3. **Find the answers to your questions.** Instead of turning to the Web, try to discover the answer by finding a person who can share his or her experience with you. Have a conversation with the woman in the electric cart you pass every morning on the way to work. What is her experience of traveling the city? Is your office groundskeeper home to put his 6-year-old to bed at night, or is he working a second job to pay for daycare? Have you talked to your sister-in-law on the coast about the impact of global warming on her home insurance costs? Why is there a Burmese woman at the strip mall to do your nails? What global forces displaced her from her home?
4. **Make a plan to make a difference.** Maybe just pick the most compelling issue. Connect with others who feel the same way. Study, pray, do, analyze. Repeat.