

# How to Facilitate Your Own Seminar Using These DVDs: Ideas and Helps

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*Note: We strongly recommend that you print out all of the handouts and watch the entire seminar yourself to aid you in your preparation and planning.*

## Showing the DVDs

These DVDs are filmed and presented in NTSC. Because the NTSC format will cause standard televisions to crop the edges of the screen, resulting in some information loss on the right and left edges, the DVDs are best watched on a computer screen or on a high-definition television. However, the amount lost is minimal, so do not let an inability to watch/project the DVDs in the “best” format limit your use of the seminar.

Ideally, for a large group, consider using either a video projector hooked to a computer, or a large-screen, high-definition television.

## Scheduling & “Lesson Plans”

The complete seminar was 13½ contact hours (including three 15-minute breaks), spread over 2½ days. Lesson plans are below. We did not follow them exactly (time frames and song selections are not exactly the same), but for planning purposes they give a general idea of the flow. They also describe some interactive activities that are not on the DVDs.

## Small Prayer Groups

We asked people their approximate level of Turkish so that we could “plan” before the seminar who would be in each small group (3-4 people per group). We felt that if the levels were somewhat similar in each group, people would not feel intimidated.

## Testimonies

Participants were told to prepare a 3-5 minute testimony *before* coming to the seminar, and to be ready to share it in a small group. At the seminar, we asked for two volunteers who would be willing to share in front of the whole group. The others shared in their small groups, with another group member praying for them when they finished. Many had notes or even written-out “scripts”; we encouraged them to share as spontaneously as possible, but to do what they were comfortable with.

*Hint:* Give instructions before breaking up into groups that each person should take no longer than “x” minutes (depending on your time frame), *stopping even if they have not finished.* (Most will take only a few minutes, but we found that a few of the “3-5 minute” testimonies lasted 10 or 15 minutes, so not all group members got a chance to share.)

## Seminar Notes/Handouts

All of the handouts used in the seminar are in a file (*All\_Handouts.pdf*, in the **Seminar\_Notes** subfolder) on Disc 1, ready for you to print. We supplied each participant with a complete set of handouts. Additionally each session’s handouts are available in separate PDF documents entitled *Sessionxx\_Handouts.pdf* where *xx* is the number of the session. These are included for you to speedily print off the handouts for only one session at a time.

## Prayer Flip Chart Handout

The pages for the Prayer Flip Chart are in a separate file (*Prayer\_Chart.pdf*, in the **Seminar\_Notes** subfolder) on Disc 1. They need to be printed, cut and stapled together before your seminar, ready to distribute to the participants. Instructions for assembly are on the first page of the file. Participants are welcome – even encouraged – to use the flip chart any time they pray during the seminar, and to continue using it (and adding to it) at home.

## Music and Singing

Hopefully you have someone who can accompany your singing; you can choose whichever songs you wish if you don’t like or don’t know the ones suggested. Disc 4 of this set contains audio files (in MP3 format) of fourteen of the songs that we sang during the course of the seminar, if you wish to use them to sing along.

## Required Level of Turkish Ability

We set a “prerequisite” of having completed Stage 2 of [Talkin Turkey](#) or Orta 1 of TÖMER or ACTÖM or the equivalent ability. This was so that the participants could properly benefit personally. It also meant that the interactive parts, especially the small group activities, were positive for everyone due to the active participation of all.

## Advanced Turkish Speakers

We recommend you have someone (facilitator and/or others) at your seminar with ministry and Turkish experience in order to add comments, answer questions, and help participants formulate prayers.

## Items Participants Were Asked to Bring

People were asked to bring a Turkish Bible and hymn book (see email below). We had hymnbooks for sale for those who didn't have them; many people wrote in their hymnbooks over the course of the seminar. We also asked for volunteers to bring snacks (see email), but didn't require it.

## “Advertising” the Seminar

The e-mail we sent out is below. Contact and registration information (email and phone) was given at the end of it. Feel free to use and/or modify the email to suit your needs.

## Books We Had Available to Show or Sell

*Kutsal Kitap*

*Kitabı Mukaddes* (old translation)

Thomas Cosmades' translation of the Bible

*Tanrı'yı Yüceltelim* - both the text-only version and the version with the music (preferably the newest edition of both)

Wayne Grudem, *Hristiyan İlahiyatı*

Dan Wickwire, *Kitab-ı Mukaddes ve Kuran-ı Kerim Hakkında 100 Soru*

Dan Wickwire, *Yahudi, Hristian ve İslam Kaynaklarına Göre Kutsal Kitabın Değişmezliği*

Dan Wickwire, *Kutsal Kitap (Tevrat, Zebur ve İncil) Değiştirildi Mi?*

M.A. Moran, *Hakikat ve Dalalet*

C.G. Pfander, *Tevrat ve İncil'in Sağlamlığı*

F.F. Bruce, *Elimizdeki İncil Sağlamdır*

John Gilchrist, *Evet Kitabı Mukaddes Sağlamdır*

Ali Şimşek, *Üçlü Birlik İsa'nın Tanrılığı*

J. Oswald Sanders, *Mesih'in Eşsizliği*

John Stott, *Mesih'in Çarmıhı*

*Kendisi Tanrı Olduğunu Söyleyen Bu Adam Kim?*

*Düşünenlere Bir Ödül: İsa Mesih*

*Dünya Tarihindeki En Büyük İnsan*

## Interactive Sessions

The amount of benefit people derive from this seminar will be proportionate to the level of participation – *doing* instead of just *watching*. As facilitator, you will need to decide which of the interactive sessions (if any) you will show in addition to your own participants doing the activities.

## Sessions 5, 7 & 13 — Praying in Turkish — Parts 1, 2 & 3

There is an interactive teaching session on the DVDs for each of these. Participants then break into groups to practice praying together using the prayer chart. The small-group prayer time is not recorded.

The live-seminar participants suggested things to thank God for (Session 7) and gave requests (Session 13), with Rhonda helping them formulate their ideas correctly. You may wish to watch this before or after your own participants give their ideas; you may prefer not to use the DVD interaction at all. More-advanced Turkish speakers can help the less experienced express their ideas before beginning the small-group prayer time.

**Session 9 — Mini Mock Meeting** (approximately 30 minutes)

(This session was originally recorded, but was not included on the DVD because of its inaudible sound track.)

The following list should be written on the board or handed out. The facilitator welcomes people and prays to begin the meeting. Proceeding through the service, he asks for a volunteer at each point to do the activity (several can pray, not just one), and then closes in prayer at the end. (For example, for step #3 he could say: “*Şimdi Tanrı’yı öveceğiz. İsteyenler dua etsin.*”)

1. Welcome & opening prayer
2. Mezmur 62:5-8; Mezmur 91:1-4
3. Prayers of praise
4. #92 – “*Abba Baba*”
5. Mezmur 100
6. Prayers of thanksgiving
7. #486 – “*Mesihim, Kurtarıcım*”
8. Closing prayer

*Note:* The screen shot on the DVDs has the following instructions, for a looser format. Feel free to do it this way if you prefer:

1. Write numbers on little pieces of paper from 1 to \_\_ (the number of participants in your seminar) and have each person draw a number.
2. Have participant #1 request a song from *Tanrı’yı Yüceltelim*; sing it together.
3. Have several participants offer up *övgü duaları* in the order of the numbers they’ve chosen.
4. Have the next participant request another song from *Tanrı’yı Yüceltelim*.
5. Have the rest of the participants offer up *şükran duaları* in the order of the numbers they’ve chosen.
6. Sing another song from *Tanrı’yı Yüceltelim* to close out the “meeting”.

**Session 10 — The Lord’s Prayer**

This session is a reading of Matthew 6:9-13, with the participants taking turns reading the lines of the Lord’s prayer, and then singing “*Ey Göklerdeki Babamız*” (#269, *Tanrı’yı Yüceltelim*). If you know the song, you may wish to do this session on your own, without using the DVD at all. If you don’t know it, you will probably want to sing along after doing the reading yourselves.

**Sessions 14 and 17 — Participants’ Testimonies – Large Group**

We suggest that you ask a couple of your own participants to volunteer to give their testimonies to the whole the group. Have another participant pray for them when they have finished. You may or may not want to show the live-seminar testimonies in addition to this.

*Session 15 — Gospel Essentials*

*Session 16 — The King Principle*

*Session 18 — The Blood Principle*

*Session 20 — Prayer of Salvation*

The participants are directed at a specified point during/after each of these sessions to get into small groups and practice expressing these concepts to one another.

*Session 21 — Mock Meeting*

This session gives the participants a chance to take part in a full-length worship service in Turkish. You may or many not wish to show this DVD session in addition to doing your own service. If you cannot get someone to deliver a sermon, you may want to use Brian's sermon from the DVD. Rather than a sermon, you may wish to do a short inductive Bible Study.

*Simulated Church Service (Mock Meeting): Order of Service*

### **Amasya Sevinç Kilisesi**

- Hoş geldiniz
- Toplantı için dua edilir
- İlk ilahi seçilir ve söylenir
- 3 kişi övgü duasını sunar
- Kutsal Kitap'tan okunur: Mezmur 95
- İkinci ilahi seçilir ve söylenir
- 3 kişi şükran duasını sunar
- Vaaz verilir (15 dakika)
- Dua konuları (3 dua konusu)
- Dua konuları için dua edilir
- Son bir ilahi seçilir ve söylenir

Cut the list of “assignments” on the following page into strips and fold them up. Have each participant draw a slip before the meeting, or even earlier in the session if possible. What is written on the slip is what they will do in the service and when.

If you have only a few in your group, each person can draw more than one slip. You can add more songs/prayers by writing a few extra slips (for example, *4. kişi olarak övgü duasını sunun*), or remove a few slips. Make sure you change your “order of service” accordingly.

At minimum, the facilitator (or someone else) needs to open the meeting by welcoming everyone, and after the sermon, ask for prayer requests so that the people who drew the “dua konusu” slips can pray for them. (Ask for one request at a time, and have the person pray immediately, rather than waiting until all three requests have been given.)

In the DVD seminar, we asked Thomas (a participant) if he would be comfortable facilitating the meeting, since he was involved in a weekly fellowship already. On his own initiative, he spoke a bit to transition from one part of the service to the next. You can do it that way (led either by the seminar facilitator or a more advanced participant), or just let people follow the order of service with little or no explanation/transition between each participant.

Toplantı için dua edin

1. ilahiyi seçip isteyin

1. kişi olarak övgü duasını sunun

2. kişi olarak övgü duasını sunun

3. kişi olarak övgü duasını sunun

Mezmur 95:1-7 yi okuyun

2. ilahiyi seçip isteyin

1. kişi olarak şükran duasını sunun

2. kişi olarak şükran duasını sunun

3. kişi olarak şükran duasını sunun

1. dua konusu için dua edin

2. dua konusu için dua edin

3. dua konusu için dua edin

3. ilahiyi seçip isteyin

## The E-Mail We Sent Out:

A Spiritual Turkish seminar is being offered in Ankara to all expatriate workers who would like to grow in their knowledge of spiritual vocabulary and become more comfortable in the language used in church meetings, apologetics, and witnessing. The seminar will be taught in English, with the relevant parts being in Turkish, of course.

The instructors have many years of ministry experience in the country. The seminar will be interactive and practical, with lecture, discussion, singing, prayer in small groups, and a “simulated” church meeting.

At the end of the course, the student should be able to:

1. discuss and compare the various Scripture translations and be introduced to using the Turkish Bible
2. be familiar with the standard hymnody
3. pray in a large or small group
4. participate in a meeting of believers in Turkish (church or Bible study)
5. have the necessary vocabulary for witnessing
6. share a personal testimony
7. answer standard Muslim objections to Christian beliefs
8. lead someone through the steps to salvation
9. give appropriate literature on relevant spiritual topics to believing or non-believing friends

→ Prior to the seminar, please prepare a 3-5 minute testimony to share in your small group.

Cost: 20 YTL

Prerequisite: completed Stage 2 of TalkinTurkey *or* Orta 1 of TÖMER or ACTÖM *or* equivalent

Required materials to bring: **Kutsal Kitap**, published jointly by Yeni Yaşam Yayınları and Kitabı Mukaddes Şirketi (Turkish Bible Society)  
**Tanrı Yüceltelim 4**, published by Yeni Yaşam Yayınları.

All sessions will be held at IPCA in Ankara as follows:

Wed. April 12 2:00 pm—5:00pm (We want to start promptly at 2 o'clock; come earlier to complete your registration.)

Thurs. April 13 9:30 am—4:00pm

Fri. April 14 9:30 am—4:00pm

There will be NO childcare available.

You will have just over an hour for lunch on Thursday and Friday. You can bring a sack lunch or go to a restaurant nearby.

### TO REGISTER:

Name:

Phone:

Cep:

E-mail:

How many years in Turkey:

Approximate Turkish level (we hope to divide our small groups roughly by Turkish ability so people will feel comfortable praying):

I can bring snacks (either homemade or bought is fine) on: \_\_\_ Wed \_\_\_ Thurs \_\_\_ Fri (*if possible*)

Contact info:

# Lesson Plan 1

April 12, Wednesday afternoon (2-5pm)

Registration before 2:00 pm

2:00-2:30 pm (Ruth)

Welcome and introductions using ice breaker

Discuss syllabus and goals (*Session 1*)

Explain that it is NOT a class to teach Turkish using spiritual vocabulary.

Sing #441 “*Rab ismini yüceltirim*” - translate - good song for learning grammar endings! ☺

2:30-3:30 (Ken)

Turkish Scriptures (*Session 2*)

Theological Terminology (*Session 3*)

Sing #260 “*Korkma! Seninleyim*”

#291 “*Taht üzerinde*”

## 15 MINUTE B R E A K

3:45-4:15 pm (Ken)

Objections to the Bible (*Session 4*)

4:15-5:00 pm (Ruth and Rhonda)

Sing #330 “*İsmin üstündür.*”

Praying in Turkish: Part 1 - Worship (*Session 5*)

Divide people into groups that you have already formed according to their Turkish ability; pray

Back to big group – give topics for praise and have everyone praise the Lord!

Sing #401 “*Kaldırırım ellerim’ sana*”



## Lesson Plan 2

April 13, Thurs morning (9:30-12:45)

9:30-9:45 (Ruth)

Hand out pieces of paper numbered 1- \_\_\_\_ (however many people are there).

Ruth should keep #1.

Sing “*Gel, Rabbe tapınalım, gel*”

Have people pray prayers of praise in order of their number.

9:45-10:30 (Cindy)

Turkish hymnody (**Session 6**)

Teach them how to ask for a song. (e.g. 143 nolu ilahiyi söyleyebilir miyiz?)

Sing two songs they ask for.

10:30-11:00 (Rhonda)

Praying in Turkish: Part 2 – Thanksgiving (**Session 7**)

Write on board a list of things to thank God for

Break up into small groups

Come back together (if time, pray in larger group)

Sing a thanksgiving song #370 – “*Sükret*”

### 15 MINUTE BREAK

11:15-12:00 (Ken)

The Work of Christ & Muslim Objections to Christ (**Session 8**)

Sing #32 – *İmmanuel*

12:00-12:45 (Ruth)

Mini mock meeting: (**Session 9, not on DVD**)

- a. Instructor: Greet (show how to begin meeting)
- b. Scripture passage to read (Mezmur 62: 5-8, 91: 1-4)
- d. Prayers of praise
- e. Sing #92 “*Abba Baba*”
- e. Scripture passage to read (Mezmur 100)
- f. Prayers of thanksgiving for Christ’s work in our lives
- g. Sing #486 “*Mesihim, Kurtarıcım*”

## Lesson Plan 3

April 13, Thurs afternoon (2-4pm)

2pm-2:15 pm (Ruth)

Read Lord's Prayer (Matta 6:9-15) (**Session 10**)

Sing #269 "Ey Göklerdeki Babamız"

2:15-3:00 pm (Ken)

Life in the Church & Testimony Vocabulary (**Session 11**)

Discuss 'creed' songs - *Taht üzerinde, Ey göklerdeki Babamız, Tek Allah (#371) Mesih Tanrı'nın Oğlu (460)*.

Sing the ones that haven't been sung before.

3:00-3:30 pm (Ruth)

Turkish Testimonies (**Session 12**)

Pass around sheet for testimony sign ups – two volunteers in front of everyone on Friday (the rest to be done in small groups)

3:30-4:00pm (Rhonda)

Praying in Turkish: Part 3 – Requests (**Session 13**)

Give topics for intercession and write on board.

Divide into small groups for prayer.

## Lesson Plan 4

April 14, Friday morning (9:30-12:45)

9:30-10:00 (Ruth)

Everyone stands to sing #78 “*Karanlıkta Çok Gezdim*” (testimony/salvation song)

Then everyone prays in turn and sits down after they pray

Participant Testimony (*Session 14*)

Have someone pray for them

10:00-10:45 (Brian)

Communicating the Gospel Essentials (*Session 15*)

Sing #86 “*At Calvary*”

### 15 MINUTE BREAK

11:00-11:30 (Brian)

The King Principle (*Session 16*)

--Communicating the Historical Flow of the Old and New Testaments

11:30-11:45

Participant Testimony (*Session 17*)

Have someone pray for them

11:45-12:30 (Brian)

The Blood Principle (*Session 18*)

--Communicating the Teaching of Kurban through the Old and New Testaments

12:30-12:45 (Dana)

How to Say Bible References (*Session 19*)

## Lesson Plan 5

April 14, Friday afternoon (2-4pm)

2:00-2:30 pm (Brian)

Prayer of Salvation (*Session 20*)

2:30-3:00 pm

Break up into small groups for each person to give their testimony (those who didn't do it for the whole group)

3:00-4:00 pm

Full mock meeting (draw papers when people come back from lunch) (*Session 21*)

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Books for sale

Closing