

Missions Strategy Sample – Church #3

WHAT DO WE BELIEVE?

Missions and Outreach at OUR CHURCH is not just a few people on some committee trying to reach the world with the Good News of God's love and forgiveness. We believe every person should have the privilege of sharing the Gospel message regardless of age or experience.

Our desire here at OUR CHURCH is to see God's love for those who don't yet know Him expressed in every area of ministry within our church. From the youngest to the oldest, we try to provide training and opportunity for all to experience the thrill of building God's Kingdom with Him. If you listen, you will hear God's heartbeat for reaching those who don't yet know Him throughout our church.

We Believe

People who have not experienced regeneration through a relationship with Jesus Christ are lost.

Lost people matter to God, and therefore should matter to us.

Reconciling individuals back to God is both a process and an event. As such, we the church must meet physical, emotional, and spiritual needs (process), while also advocating the personal acceptance of the atoning work of Christ (event).

Evangelism is the bridge between our love for God and our love for other people.

Evangelism is more than just proclaiming the Word. It requires us to love people long enough and sincerely enough so that they can hear the Word and grapple with it, and ultimately make an informed decision regarding what they heard.

Whether it is next door or around the world, we place equal importance in people knowing and understanding how much God loves them.

WHAT IS OUR PURPOSE?

The purpose of the Mission and Outreach ministry at OUR CHURCH is to help people embrace the value and the function of evangelism in their personal and church community life.

There are many forms of evangelism being employed in our world. We believe that there are three forms most relevant to our culture.

Relational evangelism:

We believe in the value of building relationships and helping people over time come to faith in Christ.

Servant evangelism:

We believe in the value of showing the love of God in practical ways by doing acts of kindness to strangers or acquaintances.

Corporate evangelism:

We believe in the value of empowering our congregation to evangelize our culture and in the value of sending people to evangelize those in other cultures.

"I have become all things to all men so that by all possible means I might save some." I Cor. 9:22.

WHAT IS OUR PLAN?

Our plan at OUR CHURCH is to build leadership teams to assist the congregation in taking steps towards embracing the value and function of evangelism. Those teams will focus on the following areas:

ACTS Ministry (Advancing Christ Through Serving): Servant Evangelism

Raise the level of interest and involvement in evangelism by promoting simple, "high grace, low risk" outreach projects.

Alpha Course:

Connect people with God by promoting and facilitating the Alpha Course for those who want to know more about the Christian faith.

Community Caring Foundation

Enlist caring individuals and organizations to become involved with our aging and disabled population and assist them toward spiritual, emotional and physical well being.

Community Seminars:

Seek to build bridges of access to the community by facilitating seminars that address lifestyle and felt needs of the surrounding community.

Educational Team:

Facilitate seminars and classes to help people embrace the value and function of evangelism.

Furniture Ministry:

Connect people with furniture by collecting "gently used" or new furniture donations and distributing those donations to people in need.

Hill Fest Lead Team:

Serves once yearly for 4 months to plan, promote and implement the annual Hill Fest community event.

Missionary Promotion and Support:

Build bridges of support, awareness and accountability between OUR CHURCH and its missions representatives. (This team sets and manages Missions and Outreach ministry budget.)

Prayer Support:

Involve members of OUR CHURCH in the task of praying for all the outreaches sponsored by OUR CHURCH.

Prison Ministry:

Equip the OUR CHURCH community to impact the lives of men, women and children within our criminal justice system with the salvation message and the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Promotion and Web-site management

Utilize all forms of media to communicate vision and information concerning Mission and Outreach Ministries.

Short Term Trip Development:

Involve the OUR CHURCH community in world evangelism by promoting and facilitating short-term mission trips.

Urban Ministries:

Facilitate partnership and resource sharing with urban churches that have a vision to reach their surrounding communities.