Missions Core Values - Church Sample #2

The Mission of Our Church is to declare God's glory around the corner and around the world so people from all nations might become disciples of Jesus Christ.

Christ-centeredness

Our relationship with the person of Jesus and the totality of His work and Word separate Christianity from all other religions of the world. The more we effectively live in Him and proclaim His name to the lost, the greater our impact on those without Him. Because of this, we will strive to live in Him more completely and seek missions opportunities that clearly communicate, in word and deed, the supremacy of Jesus Christ in all things.

Acts 4:12, 17:27-28, Colossians 1

❖ Priority of the Word

We believe that the world needs God's Word more than anything else. Because sin is the root of all humanity's problems, it is this issue that must be addressed before all others. The answer is the application of Scripture, and therefore all of our missions endeavors will be founded upon the preaching, teaching, and study of God's Word.

2 Tim. 3:16-17, Psalm 119:104-106, Rom. 3:9-21, Is. 55:11

Passion for God's Glory

God's passion for God should be the fuel for our missions plans and purposes. God exists for His own glory and so all that we do in reaching the nations should be in line with His heart and plans as clearly defined throughout Scripture. We desire to clearly communicate through all of our missions endeavors that our purpose is to bring glory to Him in all we do.

Ps. 86:9, Ps. 22:27, Ps. 67:1-4, Rev. 7:9-11, Matt. 24:14

❖ Disciple-Making

God has given His church an enormous responsibility—to make disciples in every nation. Our desire is to be wise stewards of this responsibility by producing obedient, Spirit-filled, fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ in every location we have the opportunity to minister.

Matthew 28:19, 20

***** Equipping Believers

We believe that in order to fulfill Christ's command to reach the nations, believers must be equipped to reap the harvest He has promised. Therefore we value training and equipping gifted men and women who will lead others in the fulfillment of the Great Commission.

Ephesians 4:12-13, 1 Timothy 2:2, 2 Timothy 3:16-17

Strategy

God has called us to be good stewards of the resources that He has given us. Because opportunities are limited, we desire to make the most impact possible with the time we have been given. We specifically desire to focus on those people who have the greatest need and least opportunity to hear the gospel.

Eph. 5:16, Titus 2:11-15, James 1:5, 3:7

Sacrifice

Our impact on the world for God's glory will be determined by our willingness to pour out our lives in service to God and His plan for the nations. This is displayed by our sacrifice of time, ability and personal finances to invest in what God is doing around the world. We desire to be people who are committed to reaching the lost for Christ as evidenced by living war-time, not peace-time, lifestyles.

Rom. 12:1, Philippians 2:17

❖ Mobilization

Scripture calls all believers to be *World Christians* – disciples who radically re-orient their lives around God's global cause to either Go or Send to the Nations. Our desire is to see every member of the Body involved in the Great Commission by becoming either a Goer, someone who leaves their culture to carry the message to a another, or a Sender, someone who fulfills the mission by sending and supporting Goers.

Matthew 28:19-20, 3 John 5-8

Prayer

Prayer provides the power for missions, because we cannot bear fruit on our own. If we are to be successful in our efforts to reach the Nations, it will be because God works in response to our pleading with Him to work. Because we understand this, prayer will under gird all of our mission efforts, both as Goers and as Senders.

Ephesians 6:17-18, Psalm 2:8

Relationships that lead to Partnership

In order to reach the Nations we understand that it will be necessary to partner with those who can minister effectively where we cannot. A prerequisite to this shared ministry is relationships. Therefore, we desire to develop relationships that are founded on humility, service, accountability, and mutual learning, under girded by Christian liberty and unity of the Spirit.

John 13:34-35, Romans 14, Ephesians 4:1-3