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Your
How to Guide
for Missional
Living

The Missions Process

Springdale, Pinnacle Hills and Fayetteville Campuses

Leading this church in the Global Mission Ministries is a great privilege and responsibility. What a joy to see a believer grow in their walk with the Lord as they serve Christ in a Missional Lifestyle. My prayer is that over time every member and attendee of this great church will participate in mission work somewhere in Northwest Arkansas, America or the World.

I am often asked, "What is the process that determines our Local, National and International work in the church?" These are good questions to be answered.

Locally and regionally, we operate in several areas through Mission Northwest Arkansas to spread the Gospel. Our preferred ministry is with Mission Northwest Arkansas Ministries of the church, then with **approved community partnerships**. Our church participates in organizations such as our REACH and IMPACT ministries as well as multiple others. This coordinated effort will allow us to maximize results while avoiding conflicts in schedule and communications. As the leadership in our church continues to grow our prayer is to maximize our impact and resources while staying focused on church approved ministries.

Nationally and internationally our desire as a church is to partner with the International Mission Board (I.M.B.) and the North American Mission Board (N.A.M.B.) of the Southern Baptist Convention for all Missionary Journeys. Does this mean we don't love or appreciate other mission organizations? Absolutely not. Without other Great Commission Organizations the spreading of the gospel would be slowed drastically. But I must ask, **"If we as Southern Baptist have over 10,000 missionaries serving in the field, and we as a church support them in finance and prayer, why would we NOT want to partner with them in work?"** Together we achieve more!

Next, **all mission partnerships are strategically chosen.** We don't simply throw a dart at a map and say, "let's go". Nor do we allow "need" to determine every ministry opportunity. As a church it is our duty to identify where the Lord is leading us to work. **We are presently partnered with Haiti, Malawi Africa, China, Mexico, Indianapolis, Brazil, Idaho, Budapest, Denver, Oklahoma City, Tampa, and throughout Arkansas.**

Also included in the selection process is **I Corinthians 3:6 "I planted, Apollos watered, but God was causing the growth." Sowing, watering, reaping is included in what we call "Balanced Evangelism."** We have partnerships in all 3 areas of the world to accomplish balanced evangelism. **This strategy gives latitude for involvement for the layperson and a balance to the ministry. All of our ministries will involve 2 major aspects of ministry, evangelism and indigenous church planting.** We choose missionaries that embrace these as core beliefs.

I pray this has helped you to become aware and informed of the process; however my deepest desire is for you to engage in Missions in the future. Use our web site: www.fbcs.net or www.churchph.com for discovering what God desires for you to do in Global Missions or contact our office at (479) 756-7151. You can also e-mail us at MNWA@fbcs.net

Sincerely,



Doug Sarver/Minister of Global Missions

MISSIONAL EVANGELISM STRATEGY

STRATEGY COMPONENTS

1. Personal Component:

- We will develop a core curriculum for training our people to share their faith.
- We will equip our people to share the gospel with others through our connection groups.
- We will put a high value on intentional relational evangelism.
- We must equip and teach our people how to live missionally.
- We will celebrate the stories of our people winning others to Christ in small groups and in worship.
- Equip and release our staff to live missionally in the community and share their faith on a weekly basis.
- We will challenge our people to participate in local, national, and international mission experiences.

2. Community Component:

- Connection groups will identify, adopt, and begin ministering to an unreached people group in our region in order to share the gospel.
- Connection groups will plan and do ministry monthly as a group in the community.
- MNWA community strategy will integrate into connection groups and MNWA staff operates as “brokers” of mission opportunities.
- Relationships and partnerships will be built with community organizations in order to share the Gospel.
- Align staff with a people group in order to equip connection group leaders.

3. Multi-Site Component:

- We will seek to launch new sites, locations, and campuses throughout our region to reach new people for Christ.
- We will target people groups and geographic regions to launch new sites where people groups can be reached with the gospel.
- We will explore new ways and models of church planting in our region.
- Start an intern program to develop future multi-site leaders and church planters.

“I don’t know where to start or what to do?”

RELAX... here you will find the information you need and the contact information you need for anything that you need help with.

We begin by defining the term: “Missional Living”

Missional living is a [Christian](#) term that describes a [missionary](#) lifestyle; adopting the ***posture, thinking, behaviors, and practices*** of a missionary in order to engage others with the [gospel](#) message. The use of the term *missional* has gained popularity at the end of the 20th Century due to [Tim Keller](#),^[1] Ed Stetzer, Alan Hirsch, the Gospel and Our Culture Network, Allelon, as well as others to contrast the concept of a select group of "professional" missionaries with the understanding that all Christians should be involved in the [Great Commission](#) of [Jesus Christ](#). (Wikipedia: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Missional_living)

So now we understand that the first step to missional living is to realize and accept that that we are missionaries to Northwest Arkansas.

This, according to our definition, means we are to adopt: ***the posture, the thinking, the behaviors and the practices*** of a missionary in order to engage others with the gospel message.

Step One Posture: (*a mental or spiritual attitude*) Our attitude should reflect a heart for reaching the lost because that is the posture Christ set for us in Matthew 28:18,19 and in Acts 1:8)

If we have the right heart or posture then we need to find the people group that God is calling you and your Connection Group to reach.

Step Two Thinking: (*to be a missionary your thinking may need to change*) We have to think less of ourselves and more about others.

This will involve: **Research** to learn about the people group. **Group Thinking and discussion** of who in your connection group already has an affinity or connection with your people group: (neighbor, co-worker, owner of the ethnic restaurant you patronize, Background through military service or through work related travel or through pleasure travel).

Step Three Behaviors: (*fruitful missionaries are people of prayer*) the first behavior of you and your Connection Group is to pray about the choice of people group, pray for the people group and pray that your whole mission team (Connection Group) develops a heart to reach the people group.

This will involve a change in the way you see people every time you leave your home or every time you turn on the television. Behaviors must change to that of a missionary if the goal is to live missional.

Step Four Practices: (WWMD “What would a missionary do?”) The practice of a missionary would be to respond to the thinking and research and PRAYERFULLY seek to engage individuals or groups of the people group. (i.e. make friends with people in your people group the same way you would make friends with your neighbors or with other members of a country club, ball team, etc.)

You have to find the people and initiate a conversation. Invite your new acquaintances to your Connection Group and the activities or fellowships that your CG engages in. You have to decide to get into individual lives by inviting them into your life. **THIS WILL TAKE TIME IN MANY CASES.**

What about the gospel?

- 1. Do not be ashamed of the gospel.**
- 2. If you engage in the steps listed above the window of opportunity will open.**
- 3. By learning and using the Personal Component, called: “3 Story”, you will have already laid the crucial groundwork for the message of the gospel.**
- 4. In building relationships with people in your target group you will have learned their story and they will have learned your story and somewhere in the process you will share God’s story.**
- 5. Sharing 3 Story can be a progressive part of the process over time as you develop a relationship. Sharing 3 Story can also happen the first day you meet someone.**

Narrative Example; A True Story

A member of FBC Springdale, we will call: “Jack” to keep the focus on Christ, developed a heart to take the gospel to the Marshallese people. Jack began to research and learn about the Marshallese via the Internet. Jack went to the Global Missions Dept. and asked questions about the Marshallese. Jack learned about their history and their culture & listened to some Marshallese music.

Jack began to pray about meeting one Marshallese person while asking people about Marshallese until someone offered to introduce Jack to a Marshallese Christian. Over lunch Jack was introduced the first Marshallese person he had ever met and began building a friendship. Within a couple of weeks Jack was invited into his home and soon began a Bible study began in the Marshallese home. The Marshallese were excited to share their culture and language. Now the Marshallese Christians are inviting their lost family and friends to the Bible study and it is growing.

Jack also learned that Marshallese love to play basketball and softball. Jack is arranging to use the church facilities to have a cookout and softball fellowship so that the Marshallese can invite their un-churched friends. One of the guys from Jack's Connection Group will share "his story" or testimony to the group of Marshallese and Jack is sure that someone will be saved; regardless relationships will continue be made.

Conclusion:

Reaching a people group through your Connection Group may seem like an insurmountable task until you really evaluate what the task actually involves.

The task is simply this:

Open up your lives as individual members of a Connection Group to purposely connect with lost people by making new friends and inviting those friends into an environment where they can be impacted by the Gospel of Jesus Christ through your actions and the words of your personal salvation testimony.

Our Strategy

People Groups/Connection Groups

Executive Summary

1. Every connection group identifies and adopts a people group
 - a. See attached list or fbcs.net or churchph.com click mission tab
 - b. **Launch Focus #1** will be the 16 people groups with 100 households or more
 - c. **Launch Focus #2** will be to engage those groups with 50-100 households as the first groups are adopted
 - d. **Launch focus #3** will be to engage the remaining people groups until all are engaged.
2. Follow the How to Guide for Missional Living
3. Communicate regularly with your department minister your progress and needs
4. Share your stories on Facebook at People Groups MNWA page

People Group Adoption in detail

- 1-to-1 ratio Connection groups to People groups

- *Know* – research the group Learn the culture, meet people of that culture
Go to ethnic stores, ethnic restaurants and gathering places of those groups.
Learn about their affinities in the American culture, activities, sports, and where they are involved in recreational events.
Websites such as
www.joshuaproject.com
www.peoplegroups.info
www.IMB.org
www.NAMB.net

- *Pray* – creates foundation for sharing and church planting.
Believing God to connect a connection group to a people group is important and HE makes connections that we cannot make on our own.
Also being sensitive to the leading of the Holy Spirit on the foundation of prayer

- *Sow* – resources in the language (Jesus Film, tracts, Bibles, audio Bibles)
 - Helpful sites are www.jesusfilm.org www.faithcomesbyhearing.org
www.namb.net www.imb.org www.ibs.org and your Global Mission office will be glad to assist in finding resources

- *Care* – discover opportunities to care
 - National holidays- Get involved in celebrating the national holidays of that people group. Invite people groups to celebrate those holidays with the connection group.
 - IMPACT groups- Get the Connection group involved in IMPACT and other MNWA events to discover people in the targeted people group.
 - Home fellowship groups- Open your home invite people from the target group to be your friend.
 - Missional lifestyle- Realize God has you in this place as His missionary for such a time as this.
 - Host cultural exchanges/food Ministry is fun and it is a way of life. ASK the people group to teach you about their culture
 - Social ministries get involved with clothing and feeding programs of MNWA to discover people in the target group.

- Go to them, learn language, and invite
- Use the Jones Center as a resource and a connecting point for a particular group.
- Use our church facilities to host basketball, baseball, softball, and soccer events with people groups that engage in those activities.
- Host a World Cup party for a people group using the resources of the Connection Group.
- Get the Connection Group involved with serving in ESL to discover prospects in the people group.
- Get the Connection Group involved in serving at Kidapalooza to discover prospects in the targeted people group.
- Be creative and willing to make efforts toward reaching people.

This is an actual list showing People groups, countries and languages in Washington & Benton County. Out of the 65 total people groups in our region, 24 have more than 50 households in our area. Those are represented below.

Largest Groups Represented		Households
Priority #2	Poland	54
	Panama	55
	France	56
	Thailand	56
	Taiwan	59
	Peru	61
	Nicaragua	70
Priority #1	Bolivia	107
	Japan	128
	Costa Rica	129
	Malaysia	179
	Korea, South	207
	Honduras	254
	Philippines	283
	Canada	306
	Vietnam	406
	Germany	421
	Laos	473
	India	507
	Guatemala	517
	Marshallese	570
	China	575
	El Salvador	2095
	Mexico	11853



Missional Living: Partnering in ministry

Weekly Service Opportunities through the preferred ministries of MNWA:

REACH Ministry: Our benevolence ministry meets appointments every Monday from 9:30- 11:00 am. People requesting assistance with, rent, utilities or food meet one on one with a REACH volunteer who helps identify the need, shares the gospel, and encourages the person. richardc@fbc.net

(Volunteers receive complete equipping and are allowed to shadow experienced volunteers until ready to work directly in this fruitful ministry.)

IMPACT Ministry: IMPACT Kid's Clubs work mainly in multi-housing sites, visiting the same site, at the same hour every week. IMPACT volunteers build relationships, facilitate games and activities, serve snacks and teach a Bible lesson to the kids and usually several parents. Many kids and adults come to saving faith in Christ through this ministry. richardc@fbc.net

(Volunteers are equipped to serve through ongoing training and on the job experience by experienced workers. There are different roles to fill, not everyone has to be a teacher; some are game leaders, some serve snack and take attendance. Anyone can comfortably serve in this ministry)

Current IMPACT locations and times, near Rogers:

- Links at Bentonville Thursdays 6:30 pm-7:30 pm
- Doubletree Wednesdays 6pm-7pm
- Centerton Fridays 6pm-7pm
- Chapel Ridge Sundays 12:30 pm-1:30 pm

Current IMPACT locations near Springdale:

- Brookhaven Tuesdays 6pm
- Springdale Ridge Wednesdays 4:30 pm
- Johnson Meadows Sundays 1:30
- Applegate Thursdays 6pm
- Parson Hills Tuesday 6pm

Worship Site Volunteers:

Mission Northwest Arkansas develops worship sites in multi-housing communities where we need volunteers who are gifted in leading worship through music and through Bible teaching. Currently we are seeking several Bible teachers and worship leaders for existing and proposed sites.

Current Sites:

Applegate- Jordan River Worship

Brookhaven (TBA)

ESL (English as a Second Language)

ESL is an outreach for all campuses. Opportunities to serve in this ministry include teachers, coordinators, hospitality, greeters and clerical workers. Certification training is offered to develop volunteers. Only those desiring to teach need to be certified, those already certified are invited and encouraged to serve.

Primera Iglesia Bautista Pastor Carlos Carvajal leads the Spanish churches in Springdale and Lincoln. This is a great opportunity to serve in another culture, especially for those who desire to use or to develop language skills in ministry. PIB Springdale is an evangelistic, full functioning church with many ministries including annual mission teams in Arkansas, America and Mexico. Se habla Espanol llama Pastor Carlos 479.790.2639 If you only speak English and would like to get involved email Andy Goode andyg@fbc.net

Cross Brand Cowboy Church -Pea Ridge Pastor Tim Wallace offers church the cowboy way giving a unique group of people the opportunity to worship, grow and serve within their own affinity for cowboy culture and lifestyle. CBCC hold arena events for outreach, along with trail rides and other activities including just stopping sometimes for a few days to help work cattle for a neighbor. Even their vacation Bible school is an evangelistic outreach using horses, farm animals and a packed week of cowboy fun.

To get involved contact Pastor Tim Wallace tim@crossbrand.org

Marshallese Church- Springdale The largest population of Marshallese outside of the Marshall Islands lives here in Springdale, AR. We are conducting a weekly Bible study with several Marshallese families in preparation to establish the first Marshallese Baptist church in Springdale. To get involved contact Andy Goode andyg@fbc.net

Washington County Law Enforcement Jail Chaplaincy This ministry continues to thrive and grow in many facets including evangelism, discipleship, development of life and job seeking skills and the use of the arts in worship ministry. Led by Chaplain Earl Adams and Rita Ivy this ministry offers rewarding volunteer opportunities for men and women who want to see changed lives. The success stories and testimonies of God working are numerous and encouraging. To get involved contact Karen Sarver email: wclejc@fbcs.net

F.A.I.T.H. Riders The F.A.I.T.H. Riders Ministry, which initially began as a 4-person step of faith, has grown to over 120 chapters across the country comprised of motorcycle riders and other who are passionate about sharing F.A.I.T.H. through Christian fellowship.

Springdale Campus contact: Jeff Hairston jeffh@nwafaithriders.com

The Church at Pinnacle Hills contact: Randy Odglen randyo@nwafaithriders.com

OTHER SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES WITHIN OUR CHURCH

Blessing Baskets Annual regional food/evangelistic ministry which occurs on all campuses the weekend before Thanksgiving every year. This ministry provides food for over 5000 people.

School Partnerships:

Bayarri Elementary - Springdale

Parson Hills Elementary - Springdale

Jones Elementary - Rogers

Southern Baptist DIASTER RELIEF:

Disaster relief training is offered annually in August through the local Baptist Association. Please contact MNWA for more info. Training is offered for:

Feeding Unit

Chain saw recovery

Mud Out Crews

Communications

Water Purification

National and International Missionary Journeys 2011:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Destination:</u>	<u>Function:</u>
3/15-3/26	Malawi, Africa	FBCS/CPH - Esther's House orphanage, village evangelism, church planting, construction
3/18-3/25	Indianapolis	FBCS/CPH - new multi-housing church plant/block parties, multi-housing
TBD	TBD	Motion Mission Trip
TBD	Denver, CO.	University Ministry, New Church plant
6/1-6/11	China	FBCS/CPH Leadership Development / teaching, prayer walking
6/22-7/2	Malawi, Africa	FBCS/CPH, Medical, evangelism, work @ Esther's House
7/19-7/16	Indianapolis	FBCS/CPH - new multi-housing church plant/block parties, multi-housing
7/30-8/6	Mexico	FBCS/CPH Carlos Carvajal's church planting/puppet & clowning ministry
8/28-9/10	Malawi, Africa	FBCS/CPH Working with Esther's House /evangelism/ discipleship & construction
9/17-9/24	Haiti	FBCS/CPH - work with Joy House, construction, VBS, children's work

Other organizations we recommend as Community Partners:

Loving Choices Pregnancy Centers of NWA is here to provide outstanding counseling and limited medical services.

www.lovingchoices.org/about_us

ABC Homes: Arkansas Baptist Children's Homes offers ways for volunteers to serve through service projects in remodeling and renovation (small tasks). Different projects are waiting to be done. Contact Mission Northwest Arkansas for details **Rebuilding Together** We believe that everyone should be safe, warm and dry at home. www.rebuildingtogethernwa.org

Restoration Village provides long-term shelter for women in crisis.

www.restorationvillage.net

Compassion House a lifeline for women between the ages of 12 and 28 who are challenged by a pregnancy under difficult circumstances. ...

www.compassionhouse.us

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