



Keeping the YMCA Mission Burning Bright

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Notes on How to Use this presentation

-Know Your Audience – any good presenter will consider the audience they are speaking to and what their agreements and disagreements might be in advance. The goal then is to create a presentation that presents material in such a way that it will create agreement and by in to the direction, mission, or vision you the presenter are presenting.

-Adjust the Presentation – with this in mind, a good powerpoint user will adjust the content, by saving this master presentation, but then depending on the audience, taking out screens, add screens, or change the order of screens to effectively make the point most effectively. When doing so, save the modified presentation under a different name.

-Pray – ask God to use you.



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The Mission

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***“We are a Christian organization,
not an organization of Christians.”
-Harry Brace***

***Biblical principles guide us, and
the love of Christ compels us to
be open and welcoming for all***



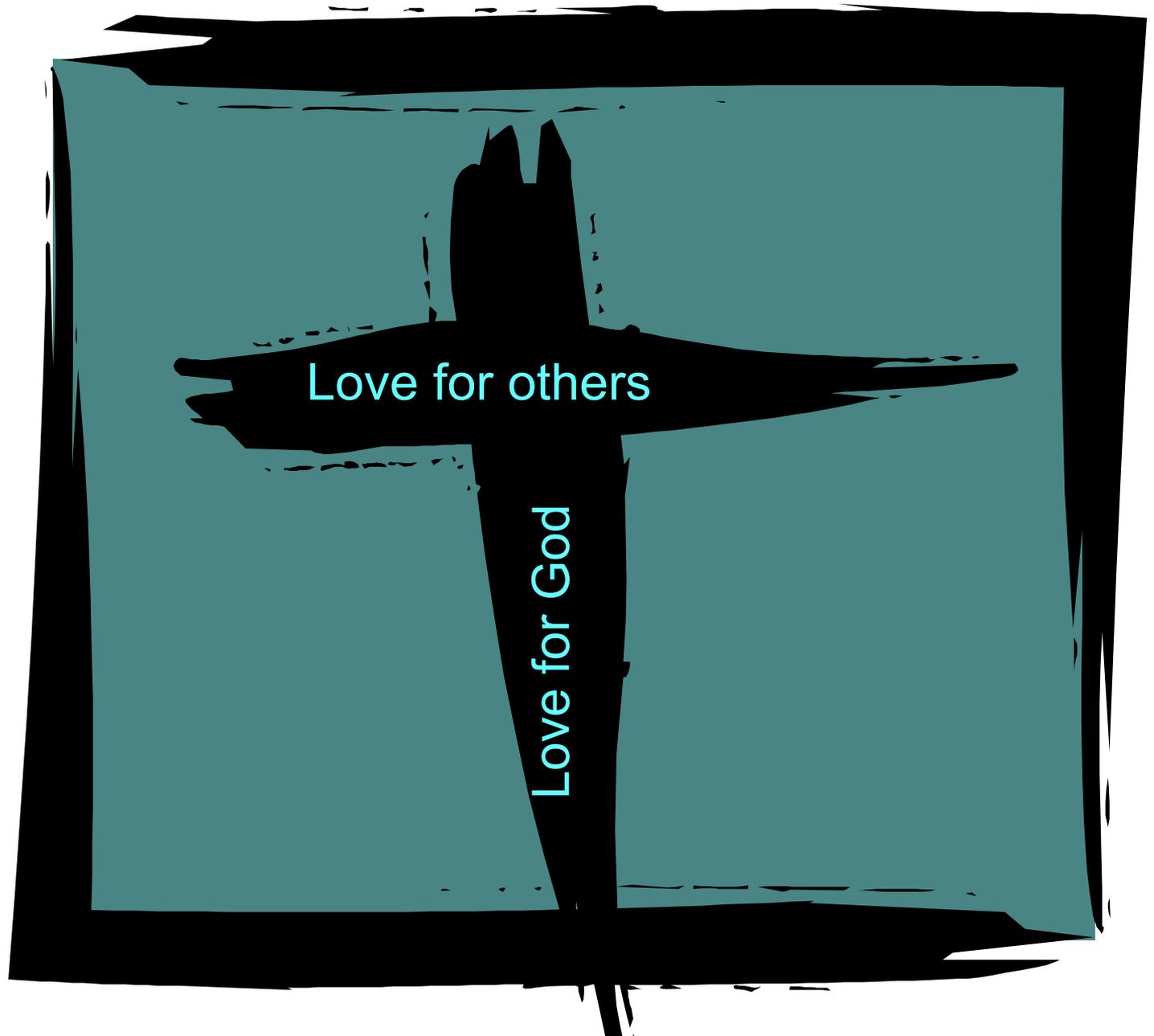
We are open and welcoming TO ALL

- ***Letting the love of Christ flow through us for all people.***
- ***Believing that God has a special purpose and plan for all people.***
- ***Fostering growth to achieve the full life potential for all people.***
- ***Providing the challenge of making right choices for all people.***



“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.” – Jesus - Matthew 11:28

If we fail in this, we have failed in a fundamental way



Love for others

Love for God



History



Where it all began



London, England 1840s



George Williams Vision of Outreach

George Williams was born in a farmhouse in southern England in 1821.



When he arrived in London in 1840 to become a drapers apprentice, his faith was challenged by the worldliness of the city.

He managed to find a few young workers who by their example, encouraged him to give his own life more completely to Jesus Christ.

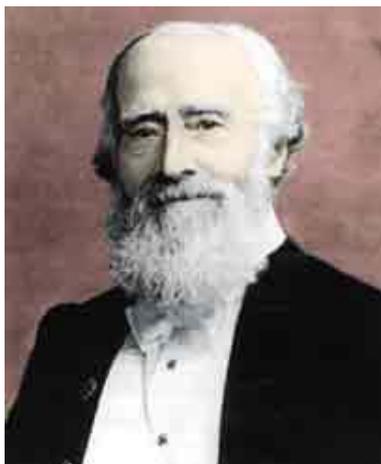


George Williams Vision of Outreach

On June 6, 1844, twelve men, led by George Williams, who was 22, founded the Young Men's Christian Association, and thus the YMCA was born.



The Original Mission



“The Young Men’s Christian Association (YMCA) seeks to unite those young men, who regarding Jesus Christ as their God and Savior, according to the Holy Scriptures, desire to be His disciples in their faith and in their life, and to associate their efforts for the extension of His Kingdom amongst young men.”

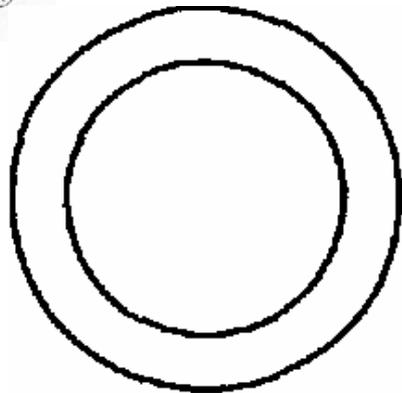


Logo



The Significance of the Logo

Double Rings – the completeness
of God's created order

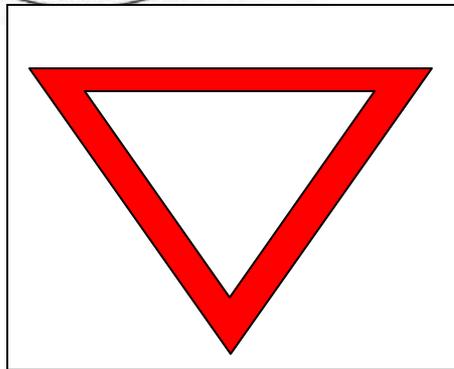




The Significance of the Logo

XP – Chi and Rho - The first two Greek letters for the name of Christ and a symbol of early Christianity

XP



The Significance of the Logo

The 2 Triangles

- *One standing for the trinity within the Godhead: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.*
- *The other, the trinity within man, that of the spirit, the mind and the body.*



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It is opened to Jesus' intercessory prayer for his followers in the Book of John, chapter 17:21.



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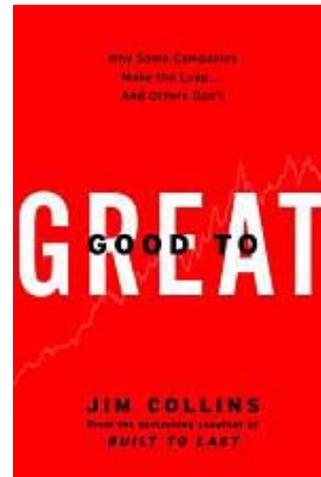
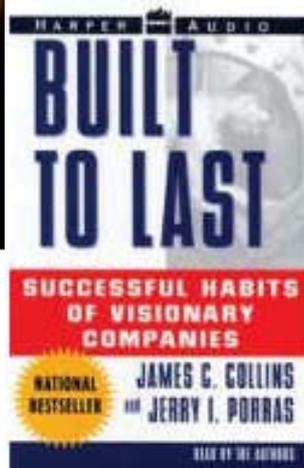
“That all of them would be one Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you sent me” – John 17:21



Importance of Mission



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What is a Mission

Mission is that unique vision and direction an organization has for itself that sets it apart from others. Mission contains the over-riding beliefs, values, and philosophies that govern the corporation at all levels.



The Importance of Mission



To put Christian principles into practice through programs that build healthy, spirit, mind, and body for all.

YMCA sense of Mission

“to put Christian principles into practice”...

Unique Strength

-Our Christian Mission

Unique Love

-People feel included

Unique Opportunity

-Genuine Christianity at work



Mission Focus



The Mission Today

“To put Christian principles into practice through programs that build healthy spirit, mind and body for all”

How do we keep the mission in focus today ?



What are the Christian Principles we aspire to ?

Caring- *Whatever you did for one of the least of these, you did for me - Matthew 25: 37-40*

Honesty- *Whatever is true, whatever is noble, think about such things - Philippians 4:9*

Respect- *Do to others what you would have them do to you – Matthew 7:12*

Responsibility- *You have been faithful with a few things, I will put you in charge of many things. - Matthew 25: 23*

Faith - *Without faith it is impossible to please God – Hebrews 11:6*



What are the Christian Principles we aspire too ?

Grace- *For it is by grace you have been saved- Ephesians 2: 8-10*

Hope- *Everything is possible for he who believes - Mark 9: 23*

Forgiveness- *Forgive each others just as God forgave you Ephesians 4: 32*

Faithfulness- *Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with each other - Mark 9: 50*

Humility- *Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves - Philippians 2:3*

Love- *Love each other as I have loved you - John 15:12*



What are Jesus' Principles of Love ?

Love is like the many facets of diamond

Caring Love - Compassion

Cleansing Love – Dealing with Sin

Accepting Love - Mercy

Sacrificial Love – Giving of oneself

Connecting Love – Connecting others to God

Courageous Love - Truth

Forgiving Love – offering grace to others

Confronting Love - Honesty



What are Jesus' Principles of Love ?

The Greatest Commandments

“ ‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your, soul and with all your mind.’ This is the greatest commandment.

And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor has yourself’” – Matthew 22:37-38

Love Walked Among Us



What are Jesus' Principles of Love ?

Our Two Love Relationships



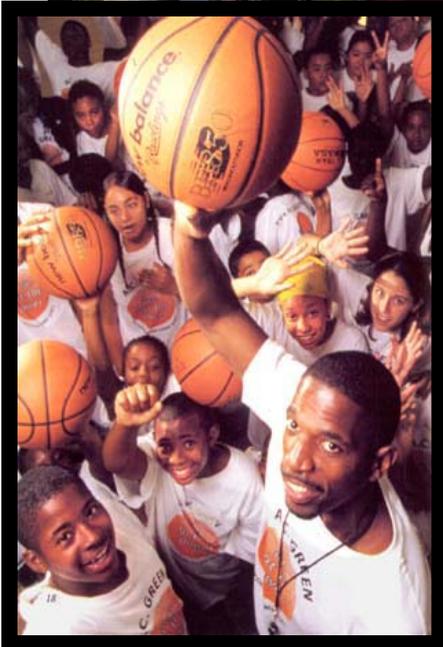


Love in Action

Your YMCA's Love in Action

The Horizontal - Loving Others

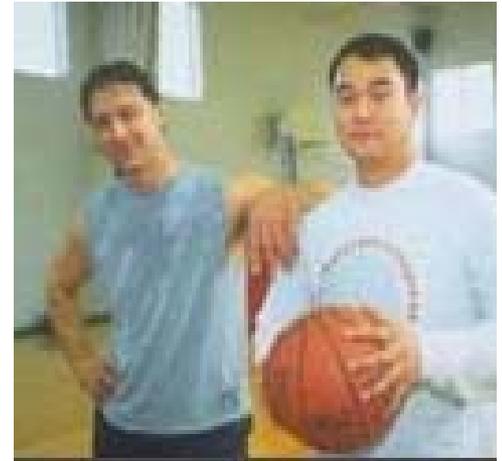
- Programming for all ages
- Community Development
- After-school Programs
- Reading and Tutoring
- Education
- Leadership Development
- Health and Wellness





Your YMCA's Love in Action

The Horizontal - Loving Others





Your YMCA's Love in Action

The Vertical- Loving God

- Facility
- Devotionals
- Scripture Bowls
- Literature
- Chapels
- Prayer Requests box
- Character Development





Your YMCA's Love in Action

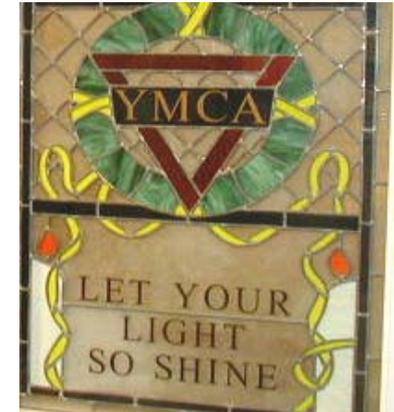
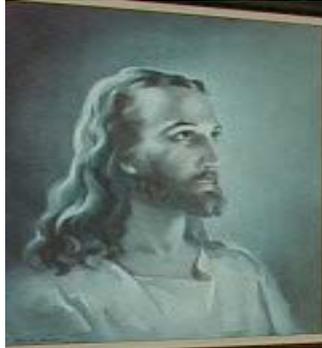
The Vertical- Loving God



- Staff Care
- Bible Studies
- Seasonal Events
- Special Events
- Partnerships

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The Vertical – Loving God



YMCA OF GREATER CHARLOTTE PRESENTS

LOVING OTHERS WELL!

Wednesday, June 11th—9:30-11:00am—Covenant Presbyterian





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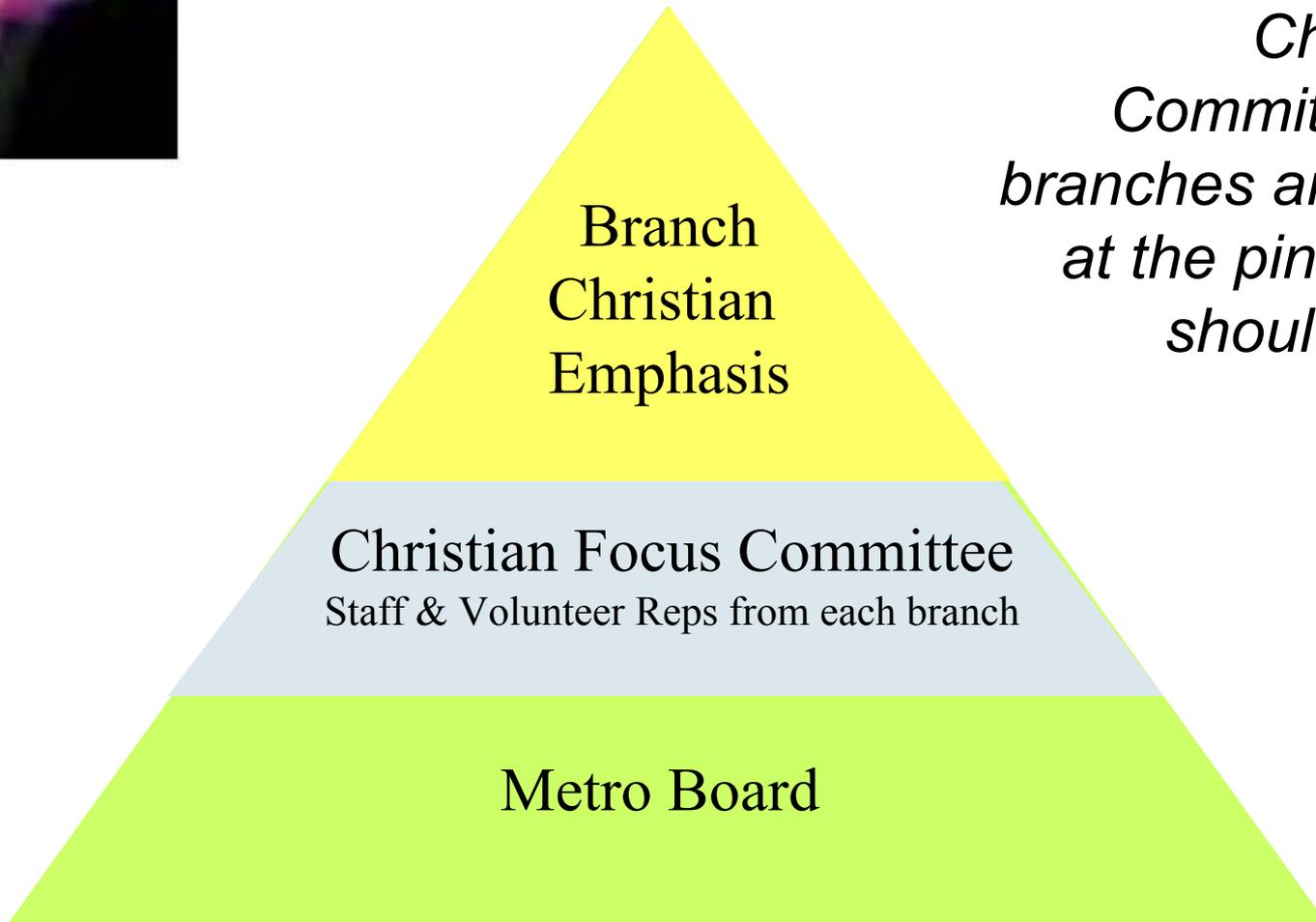


Effective Organization



Metro Christian Focus Serves Branch Committees

*“The metro board and
Christian Focus
Committee serve the
branches and keep them
at the pinnacle as they
should be.” – Andy
Calhoun*





Metro Christian Focus Comm. Serves Branch Committees



- **Branch Committee Building**
- **Strategic Planning**
- **Character Development**
- **New Ideas and Strategies**
- **Cross pollination between branches**
- **Library resources**
- **2 new Metro initiatives annually**



Measure Success

- Board Awareness
- Staff Awareness
- Member Awareness
- Branch Benchmarks
- Individual Growth
- National Influence
- Achieving Goals

Provide Accountability

- Board Meetings, Mission Training
- Staff meetings and training, Staff evaluation, New directors training, Christian Emphasis Accreditation
- Annual Surveys
- Annual plan



MISSION FOCUS—KEEPING IT CLEAR

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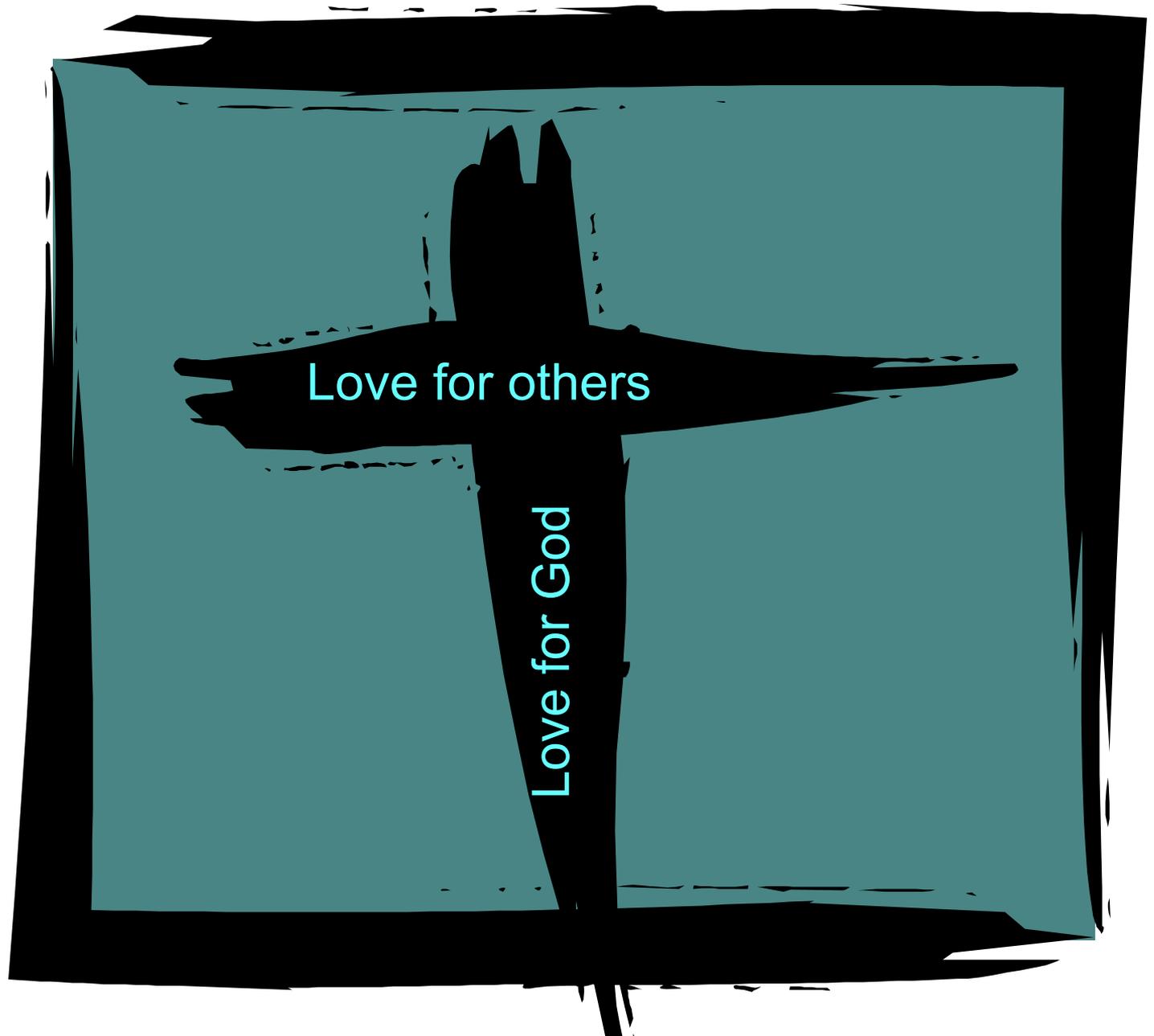
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