

# Our One Goal for 2019

## Live Out the Great Commission Through the Great Commandment

Based on two scriptures: **Matthew 28:19-20 & Matthew 22:37-40 (NIV).**

### **Strategic areas for accomplishing our goal:**

**WORSHIP**—We seek to honor and experience God through a variety of worship services where people will grow in numbers and in spirituality.

A main focus for 2019 will be on **restructuring our modern/contemporary worship services** as they will be moving to the new Family Life Center. Through study and training, we will restructure our modern/contemporary services to be more effective at reaching people for Christ. *We will succeed in our Great Commission/Great Commandment goal with an increase in attendance and we will strive to see at least a 5% growth in attendance in the modern/contemporary services.* One emphasis will be to attract more young families by activities and a new modern worship emphasis.

**PRAYER**—We will schedule effective **monthly prayer meetings** to keep us focused on God and His plan for Christ Church. Along with the growth of worship attendance, we will seek to increase the number of members who take prayer seriously. *Success in the Great Commandment/Great Commission goal will be seen in the increase of members' involvement in prayer meetings and in the prayer room during services at all campuses.*

**SERVING**—In order to enhance serving in ministries & missions, we plan to implement an awareness of working from the strength of our individual spiritual gifts. Training in that area, as well as an intentional development of the First Impressions ministry will help us meet the needs of people in the QC area and around the world. *Achievement of the Great Commission/Great Commandment goal in this area will be seen in at least 20% of the congregation will discover the spiritual gifts through taking a spiritual gifts inventory within the first part of the year.* Along with this, success will be seen with a rise in the number of people who begin serving in volunteer ministries.

### **SHARING OUR FAITH**—Follow the **three-fold process of faith sharing:**

- 1) Build an authentic friendship with a nonbeliever or non-attender;
- 2) Share your faith with them; and
- 3) Invite them to a church event, service or to Lifetree Café.

We seek to chart the success of our members who are willing to risk the three-fold process of faith sharing at least twice during the next year. *Achievement of the Great Commission/Great Commandment goal in this area will be seen in at least 20% of the members reporting their efforts in Faith Sharing.*

**FELLOWSHIP**—Offer many fellowship opportunities to celebrate our “belonging” to each other and to Christ.

**SPIRITUALLY GROW**—Offer training in Bible Study; Spiritual Gifts; Evangelism; and Discipleship Growth in 2018 through the **DEEPER with Christ** discipleship development of Christ Church:

**D** — Disciples studying the Bible: **Seek a 10% increase in Bible study attendance this year.** The intent is to provide informative and exciting Bible studies that help bring about growth and maturity in Christ.

**E** — Emmaus (Walk to Emmaus Weekend): A weekend where servant leaders can impact and grow their faith through the recognized presence of God. *Achievement of the Great Commission/Great Commandment goal* in this area will be seen when at **least 15 Christ Church members or potential members go on a Walk to Emmaus Weekend in 2019.**

**E** — Empowerment—(Using your spiritual gifts for Ministry, Mission and Service) this is a resource that helps Christ followers to recognize the spiritual gifts that they have been given.

**P** — Prayer –School of Prayer: Periodic times of gathering to learn about prayer and to practice prayer.

**E** — Evangelism—Becoming a Contagious Christian: This training is on how to share your faith with others.

**R** — Revive your Passion—(This will be an event planned for 2020).

To be more effective in Adult Discipleship, a **new position will be established as the Director of Family Ministry and Discipleship.**

**CELEBRATE CHRIST WITH US**—By glorifying God in all we do, we become who God made us to be. We see that giving enables us to be more effective at “Making Christ Famous in the Quad Cities and beyond.”

- 1) 2019 will see the completion of the Family Life Center in May or June. This will bring about many new and expanding ministries that are yet to be named. Much of our energies will be in developing emerging ministries. *Achievement of the Great Commission/Great Commandment goal* in this area will be seen in **raising 2 million of the 3.4 million dollar goal by the end of 2019.**
- 2) Continue moving forward with the Carbon Cliff ministry plan of opening a community center and exploring a possible new church start there. *Achievement of the Great Commission/Great Commandment goal* will be seen in starting a **weekly worship service in the Carbon Cliff building as well as increase activities there as a community center.**
- 3) We will continue to seek new ways to be effective at sharing Christ with the Quad Cities area through small groups and new church start possibilities. Two areas of development include the French/English service and the Hispanic ministry—both are still in their infancy. *Achievement of the Great Commission/Great Commandment goal* in this area will be to **see these two ministries developing into vibrant parts of the Christ Church Ministries in the Quad Cities with an increase in 50% in people involved.**

