

## WHO, WHAT, WHEN?

Yes, we could work on these challenges one-at-a-time. But in order to accelerate our efforts, we are planning to move forward on six fronts at the same time. We will do this by assigning different groups to lead each effort. Feel free to reach out to hear more or help.

Some of these efforts will be ongoing, others will involve a few months' work. In all cases, we will do whatever it takes to become more the body Jesus intends us to be.



### GIVE GRACE

Transition Committee  
Ken Eriksen, Chairman



### PRESERVE UNITY

Polity & Doctrine Committee of Elders  
Bryan Miller, Chairman



### STAND STRONG

Polity & Doctrine Committee of Elders  
Bryan Miller, Chairman



### IMPART A GODLY LEGACY

Young Adult Stakeholders  
Taylor Park, Executive Pastor



### SEEK THE LOST

Organic Ministry: Shepherding Council  
and Taylor Park  
Steve Boyd, Chairman

Organized Ministry: Ministry Staff  
Taylor Park, Executive Pastor



### WORK SMART

Elders  
Kevin Weaver, Chairman

# ON MISSION

We have asked God to tell us what we need to hear and show us what we need to see. He has identified six vital challenges from His Word. With God's help, we will become more effective as disciple makers in six ways.

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## GIVE GRACE

Let no unwholesome word proceed from your mouth, but only such a word as is good for edification according to the need of the moment, **so that It will give grace to those who hear** (Ephesians 4:29).

We will apply grace to our past, present, and future using the language of grace to build up one another in Christ.



## PRESERVE UNITY

Therefore I, the prisoner of the Lord, Implore you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, showing tolerance for one another in love, **being diligent to preserve the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace** (Ephesians 4:1-3).

Make my joy complete by **being of the same mind**, maintaining the same love, united in spirit, **intent on one purpose** (Philippians 2:2).

We will, with God's help, expend every effort to nurture, guard, and celebrate our essential oneness in Christ.



## STAND STRONG

Submit therefore to God. **Resist the devil** and he will flee from you (James 4:7).

For the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh, but divinely powerful for the destruction of fortresses (2 Corinthians 10:4).

BE ANGRY, AND YET DO NOT SIN; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and **do not give the devil an opportunity** (Ephesians 4:26-27).

We will, in reliance on the strength and wisdom that Jesus supplies, identify Satan's attempts to work our harm and will actively employ prayer, God's Word, and mutual encouragement to resist him.



## IMPART A GODLY LEGACY

The things which you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, **entrust these to faithful men** who will be able to teach others also (2 Timothy 2:2).

Older women likewise are to be reverent in their behavior, not malicious gossips nor ensalved to much wine, teaching what is good, **so that they may encourage the young women** to love their husbands, to love their children, to be sensible, pure, workers at home, kind, being subject to their own husbands, so that the word of God will not be dishonored (Titus 2:3-5).

We will make a robust and biblically-driven investment in those who will lead Jesus' church in the next generation.



## SEEK THE LOST

I have become all things to all men, so that I may by all means save some. **I do all things for the sake of the gospel**, so that I may become a fellow partaker of it (1 Corinthians 9:19-23).

We will use every viable and Bible-honoring means to make intentional contact with people God has placed around us in order to win them to Christ and then grow them in Christ.



## WORK SMART

And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers, **for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ** (Ephesians 4:11-12).

"Go therefore and **make disciples of all the nations**, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age" (Matthew 28:19-20).

We will organize church leadership to make the most of our time and efforts toward the mobilization of our people as fruitful disciple-makers.