

Our Mission

Building Relationally

Sunday, January 11, 2015

Acts 2:42-47

I. Introduction

Last week we gave an overview of our Mission Statement:

“We exist to glorify God through proclaiming the gospel to every person by the power of the Holy Spirit, making disciples, living out the gospel in our relationship with Jesus Christ and others in the context of the local church.”

It is on the statement of ‘making disciples’ that I would like to discuss today. There are many different ways in which discipleship takes place at AGCC, but the primary way for this to happen is in the context of our Caregroups.

“Small Group Ministry is essential to the health of any church.” Ed Stetzer

II. Disciple Defined

A disciple is a follower of Jesus Christ. Jesus is a disciple extraordinary! We are to follow his example.

As image bearers of God that are some characteristics that should flow from the life of a disciple:

- 1) A disciple finds his identity in Jesus
- 2) A disciple worship God
- 3) A disciple lives life out in community
- 4) A disciple lives with God’s mission in mind

Making disciples, whether in our families or church, is what we are called to do.

How does this happen in our CG and at AGCC

- a) Men’s Meetings
- b) Discipleship Group
- c) Books or Articles to review in Group (Note to Self)
- d) Accountability Groups in CG
- e) One-on-one meetings

III. Mission Statement on CG

“Caregroups exist to glorify God by providing a context where we can study and **apply** God’s Word to our lives, provide personal care, promote biblical fellowship and build relationally with each other.”

2 Timothy 2:2
Exodus 18:13-26

I am grateful for the men around me that help serve you! I mentioned last week about coming and letting us as pastors help you, but we can't do it all. We have faithful men equipped and ready to serve.

IV. Caregroups and You!

"Ownership is marked by joy-filled sacrifice that sees kingdom work as a 'get to' because of what Christ has done, rather than a 'got to' out of Christian duty. Ownership looks like people serving the church and the city with a passion for the gospel." Brad House

I want to thank all the group leaders and their wives for how they serve you! Get plugged into a group today!

Questions for CG

- 1) Any thoughts or comments pertaining to last week's message?
- 2) Is this series on 'Our Mission' helpful, challenging and why?
- 3) How does the 4 characteristics of disciple challenge you?
- 4) Does the CG mission statement help in defining your purpose in CG?
- 5) How can you own the CG more?