



Showing Portland the love of Jesus by making, equipping, and sending disciples all while working for its peace, prosperity, and welfare.



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- Luke 10:1-2 (NLT)

**100 Missionaries in 100
Neighborhoods**



Safe, clean, stable, successful, thriving, healthy, community – these are all words people want to use to describe their neighborhood, their city, and the streets they live, play, and work on. But, they are words that have been hard to find in our city. We can get them back, though. Together we can transform our neighborhoods and our city into that kind of place again. It won't be easy and it won't happen over night, but it is possible. It starts with the greatest commandment – Love God with all of your heart, soul, mind and strength and your neighbor as yourself. If we can learn to love God better and love each other better anything is possible!

The Church can be a catalyst in the movement to change Portland. When God sent the people of Israel into exile in the Old Testament He challenged them to plant themselves in that city. They were to build homes there, raise families there, pray for, and work for the good of the city. He told them that because He knew they could make a huge difference in that place even though they were exiles – outsiders. We can make a huge difference in this place and together show our neighbors what the love of God looks like and that a healthy, thriving, community is possible.

The plan is simple – do what Jesus did. In Luke 10 Jesus sent 72 disciples ahead of Him into the cities He was planning to visit. He gave them some specific instructions:

- Go into the city
- Pray for more workers
- Find people open to their message
- Serve the people by meeting their needs
- Share with them about God's Kingdom

That is what it will take to reach Portland. That is what we are going to do – will you join us?

Central Nazarene Church/Compassionate Ministry Center
Making disciples while working for the good of the city

Values

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Action

Prayer walks, Praying for more workers, Praying for city, Neighborhood Missionaries, Discovery Bible Studies, Coaching, Support Groups, Awana, Youth Group, Community Development, Advocacy, Block Parties, Case Management, Community Police Officer, Mental Health Care, Agape Village

Partnerships

Agape Village

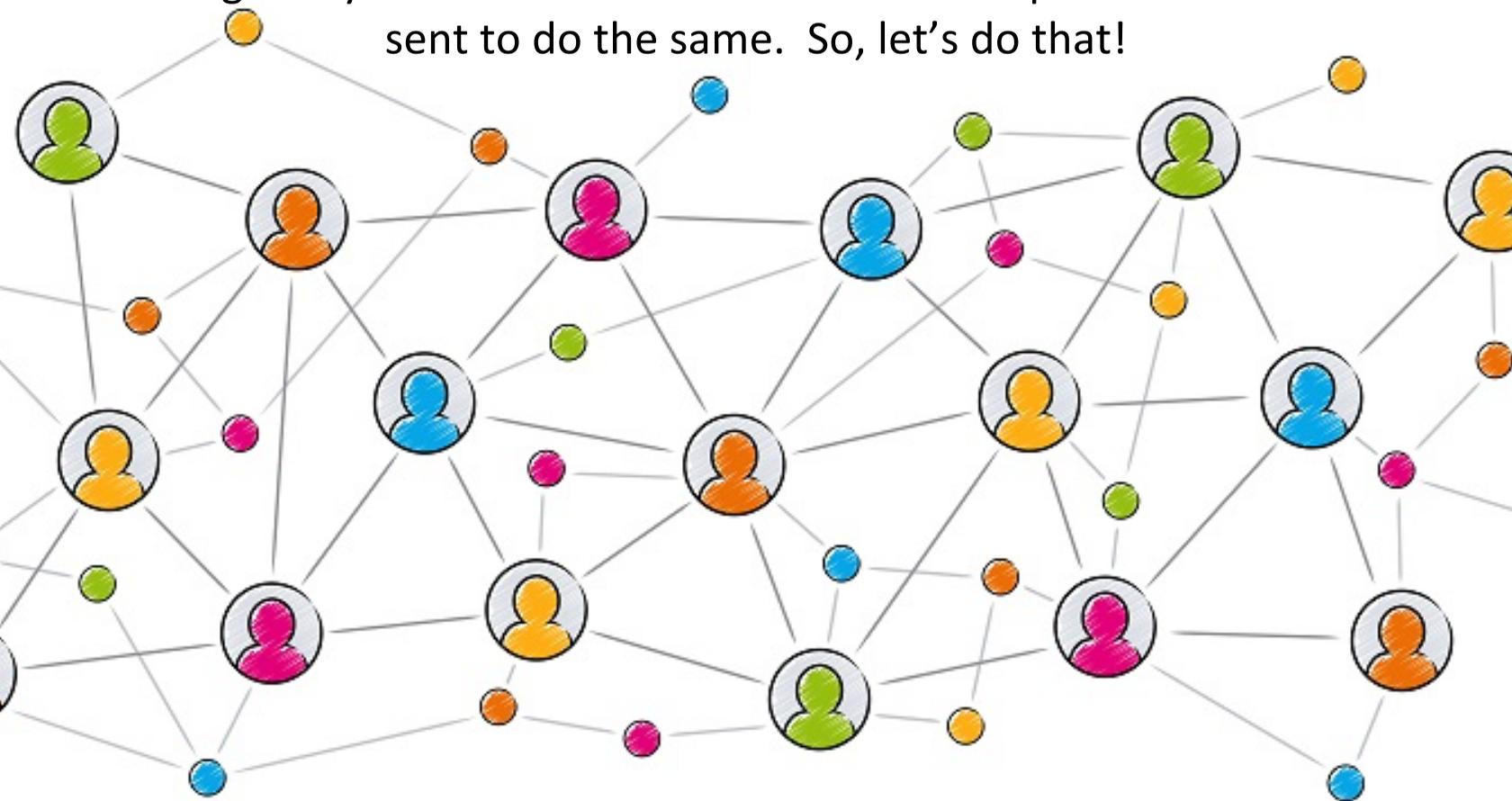
Union Gospel Mission

Other Churches

Counseling

Connections and Movement!

Our goal is to see disciples making disciples who are making disciples who then make more disciples....you get the point. In everything we do we want to build relationships that lead to more disciples being made. This is about building God's Kingdom in our city. The Church is supposed to continue on the work Jesus started and what did He do? He worked for the good of the community by healing everywhere He went and He made disciples that were then sent to do the same. So, let's do that!



The fruit of Jesus' ministry were communities of disciples. The Kingdom is about God's rule; the Church consists of those people who have come under His rule. The goal and intention of Jesus' ministry was the formation of a missionary movement that would make disciples and multiply communities of His follower throughout the world.

Steve Addison
"What Jesus Started"

Values

We exist to make disciples while working for the good of our city.

We value:

Loving God with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength and loving our neighbors as ourselves. We know that God's love for us is overwhelming and transformative. We want to invite others to experience that love for themselves and be a display of God's love in our community.

Equipping people to live out the life God has for them. For those that are followers of Christ we want to equip them to reach people in their spheres of influence and make disciples. We also believe God wants all of us to be successful human beings and we strive to equip everyone to live that life.

Encouraging one another to love and good deeds. We are not in this life alone. God has created us to live in community where we can celebrate together, weep together, and struggle together. So, we value encouraging people in healthy relationships and community to love one another, to do good, and to live a life of peace and joy.

Sending people into their community, their careers, and into life to live with purpose and mission. We want to equip people to lead in their families, work places, schools, and anywhere else they interact with people. Our goal isn't to bring people in and keep them, but to invite them in and then send them to keep doing the good work.

Matthew 28:19-20

“Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”

Jeremiah 29:7

And work for the peace and prosperity of the city where I sent you into exile. Pray to the Lord for it, for its welfare will determine your welfare.”

Ephesians 4:11-12

Now these are the gifts Christ gave to the church: the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, and the pastors and teachers. Their responsibility is to equip God’s people to do his work and build up the church, the body of Christ.

Hebrews 10:24

Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good works.



Pray



These were his instructions to them: “The harvest is great, but the workers are few. So pray to the Lord who is in charge of the harvest; ask him to send more workers into his fields.

Luke 10:2

When Jesus sent His disciples ahead of Him into the cities He was about to visit one of the first things He told them to do was pray. Jesus is found constantly in prayer and getting away to pray. Pray must be the first thing we do. We can't do anything without prayer. Prayer must be a vital part of everything we do.

We are encouraged all throughout Scripture to pray for others (even our enemies), pray for guidance, intercede for the lost, and healing for the sick. Jesus even had a habit of prayer. If we want to do the work of the Lord we have to pray.

One of the first things we do in every neighborhood is pray. We have made weekly prayer walks a part of our regular rhythms. We pray for:

- More workers, more unity among the churches, more disciples making disciples
- For the good of the city, the defeat of the enemy, the casting out of the darkness and the shining of the Light
- For the needs we learn about
- For our neighbors, by name

As we pray we serve by picking up trash along the way. This has given us opportunities to meet people in our community, like Sonja. She was thrilled we came by her place of work one day and even planned her own prayer walk a few days later!

What is your next step? Pray – simply pray for more workers in the harvest field. Pray for your neighbors, by name (if you don't know their name, it might be time to get to know them).

Disciple

Heal the sick, and tell them, 'The Kingdom of God is near you now.' Luke 10:9

Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

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Jesus' group of 72 disciples went into the cities and they healed the sick. But that wasn't all - they also told them the Kingdom of God was near. They were pointing people to Jesus. We need to love people while remembering that part of that love is telling people about Jesus - making disciples. The Good News of Jesus is that He loves us and that He died for us so we can be in relationship with Him and grow into His image. He told us to love and to make disciples.

We will....

- Coach 100 people in how to do Discovery Bible Studies so they can start one in their neighborhood
- Teach our kids about Jesus through Awana
- Teach our youth about Jesus at Youth Group
- Offer coaching and training opportunities for anyone who wants to make disciples (parents discipling their kids, people discipling co-workers, friends discipling friends – we all need to disciple someone)
- Train, equip, send and support 100 Neighborhood Missionaries
 - o 1 person to each neighborhood in Portland who will work for the good of that neighborhood.
 - o Put this plan into action in that area.
 - o Develop relationships, partnerships, and unity with other churches and disciples to see God's Kingdom grow in that place.
- Host Community Celebrations and Worship Gatherings

What is your next step? Make disciples! Become a neighborhood missionary or start a discovery bible study. Visit our website (www.reachpdx.org) to learn more.



Engage

The Lord now chose seventy-two other disciples and sent them ahead in pairs to all the towns and places he planned to visit. Luke 10:1

If those who live there are peaceful, the blessing will stand; if they are not, the blessing will return to you.

Luke 10:6



Jesus sent His disciples into the cities where they were to meet people and get to know them. We will not be effective if we are not engaged.

Over and over and over in Scripture we see people going, getting out there - even Jesus went. He left heaven and came here. We cannot make disciples alone, we have to be out and about engaging with people and building relationships. Think of Luke 10 as the first team sent on a search and rescue mission. Now, you are being recruited to the team to get out there.

Our goal of engaging is to build relationships and learn what is going on in the lives of the people around us. You simply cannot have a healthy community without healthy relationships. Jesus built relationships everywhere he went – often over dinner. Take time to get to know your community – share a meal with your neighbor. Listen to what you hear and pay close attention to what you see.

We will....

- Develop a neighborhood engagement team led by a neighborhood missionary – people trained and equipped to build relationships in the community by:
 - o Performing welfare checks and follow-ups
 - o Visiting people in their homes and connecting to needed resources
 - o Finding people of peace (someone who is open, hospitable, has connections, and wants to join the mission)
- Connect personally with our neighbors and pray for them regularly
- Listen and Learn
- Participate in neighborhood events
- Help advocate for needs and concerns of the community
- Cultivate community and friendships through things like block parties, BBQ's, and service projects.

What is your next step? Get to know your neighbor – invite them over for dinner. Let us know you want some help engaging in your neighborhood and we can support you in the effort. Want to serve on the engagement team? Let us know.

Serve

*“Teacher, which is the most important commandment in the law of Moses?” Jesus replied, “ ‘You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment. A second is equally important: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’
Matthew 22:36-39*

When Jesus sent the 72 to the cities, one of the things they were to do is to serve the people of that city by healing their sick. One of the greatest testimonies to the world of God's love is to see that love displayed in and through the Church (Body of Christ). Jesus gave us a living example of what a life of compassionate service can and should look like. As we enter a new community we must come along side to serve that community in and through compassion.



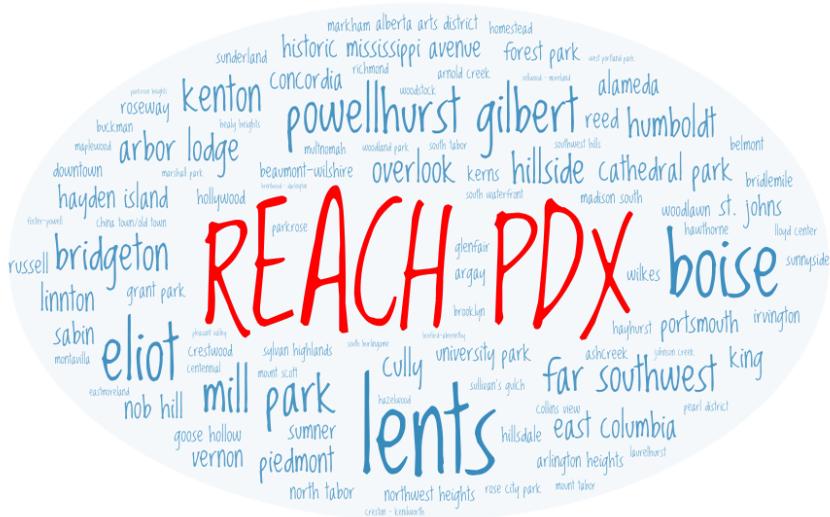
We will....

- Provide a safe place for people to transition into stable housing
 - o Agape Village – www.agapevillagepdx.org
- Develop partnerships to create more access for needed resources and services in our community
 - o Union Gospel Mission – shelter, showers, case management
 - o Good News Bible Church – Food boxes
 - o Providence – Case management and peer support
 - o Workforce development, Housing Specialists, etc...
- Provide Case Management support services
- Bring more mental health and addiction services into our community
- Offer after school programs to help our children in their areas of need through tutoring and other learning opportunities
- Teach our community how to manage their finances better, eat healthier, and live healthier
- Hire A Community Police Officer
 - o A reserve officer to focus on one zip code
 - o Take 911 calls that are most likely to go unanswered
 - o Connect with the community and be a bridge to other services



What is your next step? Volunteer – visit our website or give us a call for opportunities. Give – this is the most expensive part of our effort as many parts of this require staff with certain specialties. Every dollar goes a long

way to serving our community and meeting the many needs.



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