

MISSION AND VISION UPDATE

Elder Summary of Ministry Activities

SEPTEMBER 15, 2016

This summary is designed to provide an update on the work of the Elders and the progress we are making on our mission and vision.

We are excited to announce the completion of the work on the 2016-2017 Mission and Vision plan. Starting October 2, please look for updates and messages in worship regarding GraceWay Ministry Initiatives designed to help you grow, connect our church family with the community, and share the Gospel of Jesus. As always, we encourage you to talk to any Elder or staff member if you have questions or comments to share.

Ministry Vision and Values

VISION AND MINISTRY INITIATIVES

In Process:

- Completion of forward looking ministry initiatives that will be the center of our 2016-2017 year.
- Review and refinement of mission statement, vision statement, aspirations, and values.

Completed:

- Adoption of plan to create intergenerational “Gen2Gen (Generation to Generation) formation plan for children and youth.
- Preliminary discussions with Fuller Seminary regarding Faith and Work initiative to inspire adults to live their faith in their workplace.

Communications

PLAN AND IMPLEMENT EXTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS STRATEGY TO REACH NEW PEOPLE

In Process:

- Web presence and Google search optimization.
- Increasing activity using Facebook, Twitter and other social media applications.
- Development of detailed external communications plan and implementation.

Completed:

- Website content organized to be as welcoming and informative to people who are looking for a church.
- GraceWay logos, color and other aspects of visual communications complete.

Faithful Stewardship

FINANCE AND PERSONNEL

In Process:

- Refinement of 2016-2017 monthly budget and cash flows in transition to new fiscal year time frame - September 1- August 30.
- Review of all accounting transactions for year ended 2015 and for property sales. Filing of financial returns.

Completed:

- Switchover to new ECO employee medical and insurance plan with improvement of benefits.
- Switchover to new ECO pension plan.
- Switchover to new ministry and building insurance plan.
- Personnel Reviews completed.

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MISSION AFFINITY GROUPS

In Process:

- ECO Leadership Training Event for Elders September 17, 2016.
- Establish working partnerships with Elders from Walnut Creek and Christ Community Churches for Mission Affinity Group.

Completed:

- Established Mission Affinity Group with Walnut Creek Presbyterian Church and Christ Community Church.

New Church Home

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In Process:

- Condo Unit 1 marketing, seeking buyer underway.
- Phase 1 demolition complete.
- Phase 2 improvements (Unit 1 improvements, seismic/structural, new roof, new restrooms.
- Condominium Association documents drafted and submitted for review.
- Church Unit 2 floor plan complete, architectural drawings being readied for approval and bidding.

God is Pleased When His People Pray

SEEKING GOD'S KINGDOM FIRST

“But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness,
and all these things will be given to you as well.” Matthew 6:33

Jesus reminds us in Scripture that the most essential thing we can do is to seek first the Kingdom of God. As your Elders, we want what God wants. If we are to be the church God is calling us to be, it is essential that we pray. So with an openness to follow God's leading, we ask you to pray for God's blessing, direction and provision as we continue following our Lord Jesus.