

Unpacking our Vision

“I knew exactly what to do. But in a much more real sense, I had no idea what to do.”

- Michael Scott, The Office

Our Vision:

to inspire people to a growing relationship with Jesus

Things to take away from the Thessalonians.

The Church shares faith by how they _____

“Do you know that all over the provinces of both Macedonia and Achaia believers look up to you? The word has gotten around. Your lives are echoing the Master’s Word, not only in the provinces but all over the place. The news of your faith in God is out”

- (7-10 Thessalonians MSG)

We are spirit _____ and mission _____

“What we have received is not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may understand what God has freely given us”

- (1 Cor 2:12 NIV)

God is calling me to these people:

“For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God” (Romans 8:14 NIV)

B.L.E.S.S. PLEDGE

B: BEGIN WITH PRAYER I pledge to pray for my neighbors. My example is Jesus, who started His earthly mission with prayer (Luke 6:12–16). Prayer is both how I discover my mission and how I do the mission of Jesus.

L: LISTEN I pledge to listen to my neighbors. My example is Jesus, who loved others by asking questions and then listening to them (Luke 18:40–42). Listening is how I give dignity to others, and it is a gracious expression of love.

E: EAT I pledge to eat with my neighbors. My example is Jesus, who consistently shared meals with the “sinners” (Matthew 9:9–13). Eating with others is how I move a relationship from an acquaintance to a friendship.

S: SERVE I pledge to serve my neighbors. My example is Jesus, who did not come to be served, but to serve others (Matthew 20:28). Serving others is a tangible way I can demonstrate the love of God to others.

S: STORY I pledge to share my story with my neighbors. My example is Jesus, who shared the good news of His own story with others (John 3:1–17). Sharing my story gives others a clear understanding of how God’s love and the life of Jesus can change their lives.

Signed (your name, today’s date)

Witness #1 (name and date) Witness #2 (name and date)