

# Mitchell Berean Church

Healthy, Unified and Firing on All Cylinders

## Cylinder 6: Mission/Impact:

Desiring to Advance God's impact in our community, we will strategically invest for future Kingdom improvement.



#### **Open in Prayer**

#### **Pre-Video Discussion**

The Church is a movement. The movement has a specific focused mission to accomplish. Making Disciples of Jesus is the specific mission. The church as a movement has always had a positive impact on the communities it has entered. As the Gospel takes root, it changes people for good. Morality changes, how people treat each other changes. Provision and blessing come into the community as they orient their lives around the teachings of Jesus.

As we consider the opportunity and responsibility we have to advance the movement of Jesus in our time, we must look to the future.

#### Watch the Video Together

Video is found on RightNow Media, YouTube and mitchellberean.com/bethechurch/

#### A Healthy, Missional Churches Looks Ahead

What opportunities are there where we should investment in our community in order to see the Gospel make positive changes into the future?

Healthy, Missional Churches are making Kingdom investments that will make future impact in our region. The kinds of questions we need to ask to be a Missional Churches are:

Could we see poverty reduced?

Could we see addiction diminished?

Could we see stronger marriages?

Could we reach the next generation of children for Jesus?

Could we invest in families so that our community is stronger in the future?

### A Healthy, Missional Church Builds Community

We have been given a mission by Jesus to make disciples of all nations

Matthew 28:18-20 Jesus came and told his disciples, "I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. 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."

Mission - We have a Mission to work to complete in our Era.

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Based on this verse what is the Mission God has given us?

How would we know if we accomplished this mission in our time or era?

**Territory** - The North Platte River Valley - Includes towns from Torrington down to LaGrange and everything east to Bayard. We must take responsibility for this territory and work to make disciples in our time.

**Acts 1:8** But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be my witnesses, telling people about me everywhere—in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

What city or area in this Valley do you live or work in?

How can you take responsibility spiritually for that city or area?

What role does MBC play in reaching this territory?

**Investing** - We will not think in terms of cost but in terms of investment. God has entrusted us with much and so we must invest it to produce more. God is calling us to

**Matthew 25:20** The servant to whom he had entrusted the five bags of silver came forward with five more and said, 'Master, you gave me five bags of silver to invest, and I have earned five more.'

#### A Healthy, Missional Church Looks for Opportunities

We live in a time of opportunity: Times of trouble and difficulty are also times of great opportunity.

How do we ensure that we are ready for the Missional opportunities that emerge during this time?

What "talents" do we have as a church that we need to make sure we are investing in order to produce more results?

Is there an aspect of this mission that your group could take on?

Example: There is a Life Group at MBC who are providing Thanksgiving meal for a group who live in government housing in Morrill. This is a great example of seeing an opportunity to meet a need and minister to a group of people in Jesus' name.

Example: After the fires in our area and some tragedies related to those, first responders involved an individual in our church who offered to be a chaplain for a local volunteer fire department. He will attend meetings and be available for anyone who needs to talk.

Other examples of groups that need ministered to in our region:

First Responders

**Educators** 

Coaches

At-risk Kids/Women

Addiction Issues

**Poverty Issues** 

#### **Close in Prayer**

**Pray** about what you could do as a group to minister to a group or an issue in our community. **Pray** for the individual needs within your group.