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The Mission of Envision is to:

- build authentic community by:
- proclaiming the gospel
- and making disciples of Jesus Christ
- within the downtown culture of Bellingham
- as a church missionary effort working in conjunction with local churches.

(Goals/Values and Budget Report Available Upon Request)

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Praises!

It was a fun time at the CD release concert at Sonlight Community Church in Lynden. The Senti kids played, folks sang along, and a testimony of God's faithfulness was given. **It was a joyful event** and a blessing to everyone who came.

It's been so wonderful to have Morgan West on the team as an intern through Western Washington University! **He has been a leader on street nights, is facilitating the men's group again and continues his Stephen Service** work very effectively! He also leads three prayer meetings for us and this has already bore much fruit in our ministry.

On Tuesday night, as we entered 1st Baptist Church, we encountered a young lady with leukemia. Morgan's mother had just experienced healing from cancer, so we prayed with this young lady for healing also. Then we found out she had the wife of one of our church members staying with her. That was important because she had separated from her husband and we were praying for reconciliation. We were able to meet with her that night and soon after the marriage was reconciled. Now her husband is dealing with a lot of physical issues, he had a heart attack and even faced the possibility of amputation of his leg, but we have been praying for him and he is doing better, recovering in a local nursing home facility. **Please pray that he will fully recover** and that he can start moving forward with a healthier lifestyle and especially in his faith in Christ Jesus and witness for Him.

We also have **Timothy Potter** doing an apprenticeship with Mitchell in order to learn ministry and possibly become a deacon in the future with us. **He has been invaluable**, not only in leading the Jesus Study at the Majestic on Sunday nights, but in visiting and caring for our folks in so many practical and relational ways in Christ's name. His wife, Morgan, has also continued as our office assistant. **Please keep their baby in prayer** that the Lord will continue to strengthen that little one.

These two fellows have helped us with moving folks into housing, visiting the sick, gathering items to give to the poor, and helping folks in lots of other practical ways. **One of our friends has just obtained a post office job** and we're so excited for her and pray for better housing for her as well.



Another fellow **experienced deliverance from a dark, isolating presence in his life** as he prayed with a brother in Christ from a local church. We're so thankful he is walking with us again.

Jon Ng (recently married to Nadia – pictured left) from Rising Hope has done an excellent job of leading our street night team, especially with YWAM North Cascades joining us. **The students are learning to share with folks and pray with them for the sake of the Gospel** on the streets of downtown. What a joy it has been already!

Prayers

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Mitchell and Rochelle Senti,
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“Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than we can ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.”
Ephesians 3:20-21

We appreciate your generosity so much! (Mitchell doesn't see how much each of you gives, but he sees who gives.)

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Our vision: to seek the face of Jesus!

Pictures compliments of Diane Snider's photography:
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Yet we also covet your prayers because even as we experience the Lord in beautiful ways we also have lots of spiritual attack and struggles that go along with it. **Please pray for protection, provision, encouragement and strength for our staff** and friends as well.

The **purchase of the ministry van** has been delayed, since the man we sent there got heat stroke and was unable to make the purchase. It is still in process, but **pray that this can take place quickly** and that the family there in Southeast India will be greatly blessed upon receiving it as they do outreach in the local villages there.

The Jesus Gathering is now officially a house church network with advisory elders from various local churches: Jason Hubbard from Northlake Community Church and the Light of the World Prayer Center, Mark Ruitter from Hope in Christ Church, Jeff Flint from 1st Baptist and Derek Archer from Christ the King Bellingham. We have a once a month meeting still and our meetings continue as we've led up to this point. But the Jesus Gathering itself is no longer a Christian Reformed church plant, but established as an interdenominational house church network. Mitchell Senti remains ordained as a Christian Reformed Commissioned Pastor with Envision Mission as his church missionary organization, but now the Jesus Gathering will work in partnership with Envision in discipleship with people even as Envision does outreach to



downtown Bellingham. Mitchell will be an elder with the Jesus Gathering, but a missionary to Bellingham's downtown center with Envision Mission. **You'll be hearing more about outreach opportunities to downtown Bellingham** in this newsletter therefore. Please keep us in prayer as we transition and thank you for your ongoing support of this important mission. (Pictured left: Rochelle leading worship at the Jesus Gathering)

Folks have expressed a desire to access Mitchell's music. You can always check it out on our media page: www.envisionmission.org/media and find writings and CD's. Just follow the instructions and make a donation of any amount. If you can't afford to, let us know and we'll send you a code for free.

Here is our weekly schedule:

Tuesday: Street night from 5:30-8:00pm starts at 1st Baptist on Flora St. in the sanctuary

Wednesday: House church at Lincoln Square at 3pm.

Thursday: Men's group at Hope in Christ at 6pm.

Friday: Prayer at the Light of the World Prayer Center from 3-5pm. Ladies' group once a month.

Saturday: House church at the Senti's at 9:30am

Sunday: Bible Study/House church at the Gray's at 10am. The Jesus Gathering meets at Hope in Christ (Sunset and James) from 4:30pm-6:30pm on the 2nd Sunday of the month. Jesus Study at 5pm on all other Sundays at the Majestic (1027 North Forest).