



Update on Envision

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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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Outreach, Good-byes and More

Thank you to those who prayed and gave towards the Senti's trip to Zuni and Colorado! They had the opportunity to lead worship and Mitchell preached in the church there, following up with folks who were disciples with him in youth ministry, encouraging friends there and being encouraged, even meeting new faces of new believers and seekers there. Rochelle's Aunt Marcia passed away while they were in Zuni, and they were able to be involved in the funeral in Colorado, and also share in the Creede Community Church with music and Gospel. It was restful but also encouraging. However, the trip back with the RV was not so easy! Once again it broke down mysteriously in Idaho, where they met tow-truck drivers in Mountain Home who go to a house church and are returning to faith in Christ. They were mutually encouraged and refreshed. This couple gave wonderful hospitality and decided to trade a mini-van for the RV, giving the RV to a homeless person there. But...that van also died only 2 ½ hours away!



Peter and John Senti share good times on the road trip...before the RV died!

Incredible! So they sent the broken-down van back via a tow truck, and kind friends from the Senti house came to the rescue in a rental van. Mitchell drove through the night until the following morning. The Senti's were thrilled to have returned safely! **But the LORD gave many opportunities for sharing the Gospel and though many things went wrong** (AC dying in a 95 degree hotel room, someone stealing their debit card number as examples)-the LORD was gracious to them and they even had some fun along the way! ☺

The Senti's also have had delightful friends from India staying with them this month, having returned from YWAM trips. Our

friends shared their testimonies, encouraged our ministry by coming to the events and praying for folks often, sharing, caring, learning together about outreach on the streets and with the poor. It has been a rich time together already by the time this newsletter goes to print. **This is the family that God used so many of you to provide a high quality ministry vehicle for so that they could reach the unreached with the Gospel! Thank you and keep them in prayer for a good trip and for a passion/effective outreach in their home country as they return.**

Our friend Morgan West is moving on from Envision Mission, exploring what his future holds and we will miss him very much, but we mutually love and bless each other in his parting. **Keep him in prayer also for God to lead him as He desires.**

On street night one of our friends boldly prays for the sick and folks experience healing, and she gives glory to Christ and shares His love with him. She prayed for one man in crutches whose foot had been crushed in a construction accident.

He said that he felt a warmth over it and it felt a bit better. When we called him the next week he was so excited because he could put weight on it and the swelling was gone! He was sure that Jesus had healed him and when we prayed for his friend who was not a believer, the man's

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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!

back was also healed almost completely. The first man we prayed for said he was reading the Bible to his friend and to his son. We are planning to have coffee and talk and pray together more. **He is reading the Bible to all of his friends and wants to continue to do so because he is so excited about what Jesus has done.** We celebrate all of God's gifts to the Body including the gift of healing. Pray that through that means and others the Gospel will continue to go out in power.

We also had the opportunity to **help two men get into detox and ER from drug use** on the streets. We pray that they and others will get treatment but also move forward towards transformation. How might the LORD want to use the Church in that process for folks? Please be praying for us as we discern **how Envision might be a catalyst for transformation for those struggling with drug addiction**, in partnership with the Lighthouse Mission and other service agencies locally.

Another gal who used to come to the Jesus Gathering from time to time, but who was so mentally ill she was almost taken to jail for disturbance of the peace when some neighbors called, has made contact with us again and **came to the Jesus Gathering in her right mind and is seeking the LORD again.** Pray for her to be greatly blessed and sense the favor of Christ in her life that she might be nourished in the Body of Christ more and more.

We even went out on the streets with our friends from India and shared the Gospel. After one gal tried to explain about a Hindu goddess to one of them, he simply answered, “I don't know about all of that, but I know that **my God loves me unconditionally** and I don't have to do blood sacrifices for him because nothing I can do will change that love and His love is for you also.”

Keep us all in prayer, as many of us have had struggles that have brought us to the end of ourselves, but we wait on the LORD to see what the future holds and we anticipate His great work in our lives every day more and more. **Pray for protection, vigilance, strength, provision and the outpouring of God's Spirit according to His will in Christ Jesus.**

Keep Glenda in prayer for her work at the Samish Way hotel, Jon in prayer with Street Connect, Mitzie with hospitality and the Ladies' meetings in the Fall, and of course the Senti's as well.

We are happy to announce that **Rochelle Senti has taken the interim position of the Administrative Assistant** for Envision. Keep her in prayer as she handles so many things, including homeschooling and hospitality with her struggle with fibromyalgia.

Here is our weekly schedule:

Tuesday: Street Connect from 5:30-8:00pm starts at 1st Baptist on Flora St.

Wednesday: Prayer at LOWPC from 10am-12pm. (House church at Lincoln Square at 3pm.)

Thursday: Men's group at Sunnyland School playground at 6pm.

Friday: Prayer at the Light of the World Prayer Center from 3-5pm.

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

Sunday: (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).