



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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Concert of Worship with Senti's was a blast!

By the time this goes to print we will have had our **Senti family worship concert at Hope in Christ and we trust it was a great time** for all and that the LORD was worshipped. Thank you to all who came and contributed both financially and to the clothing drive! You can still choose to donate to Envision or to the Senti family in any amount and receive a CD as a thank you. The clothing drive took place the next day and we trust a lot of clothes came in!

Only one of our friends was able to be **baptized on April 14 at the Jesus Gathering**, but we hope our friend Jordan will be able to do his baptism in May. Pray he can finish well and for the next folks that wish to be baptized.



Here's a poem that our new sister Missy wrote: Where You Found Me

Versions at Yesterday
 At the Roads of Unknown
 The fork between carrying on and letting go.
 A gentle face arrives to recall how this came to be
 Restoring humanity in the
 Significance of Small
 Measure
 A whimsical fate leads to intersections of the heart
 Fueling hope from a lent ear to despair
 From the eyes of a humble soul unknown
 Becomes a reflection at progress

Board:

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Mitchell and Rochelle Senti,
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Rustin Polinder,
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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.)

If you'd like to make a donation, please send checks to: Envision Mission, 710 E. Sunset, Bellingham, WA 98225

Our vision: to seek the face of Jesus!

Her story is an amazing testimony of God's ability to reach someone that many called "unreachable". All glory to God alone!

We still need some good men that may be interested in tutoring one or two of the men at the house in reading and writing his Bible Study Let us know if you're at all willing to help. If you're interested in **donating towards the Summit house please write checks to Envision Mission and be sure to put "Rising Hope" on the memo line**, as that is the name of that ministry of Envision.

Keep on praying also for our Sunday night Life's Healing Choices precursor to Celebrate Recovery. **We need wisdom** with Mitzie Crosser, one of our Stephen Servants, on whether we **should start a Celebrate Recovery program as a ministry.**

We continue to have opportunities for the Gospel, sometimes with folks listening; other times not, but we rejoice that more folks are gaining confidence in sharing on the streets and in other contexts. We hope to do an outreach at WWU soon as well.

We also plan to invite folks to a BBQ from there on May 3- pray for the effectiveness of that time. Also we are praying more about leadership development for the future. Continue to pray for those opportunities to abound. On one occasion a man we were ministering to in downtown from the Samish hotel was so close to receiving the LORD but wanted to wait another day and meet us the Jesus Study. Pray that he goes for it. Another occasion has one of our friends who is following Jesus with us from time to time on the streets coming to more of our meetings, so **pray that he gets plugged in well to the Body** also.

With all these wonderful things happening, we also want to share that we have a lot of struggles as well. Mitchell is still **trying to find a healthy balance between ministry and family.** Rochelle's fibromyalgia also has emotional elements that have made reaching out to broken people especially difficult. Their kids struggle as well to be in church with so many folks coming out of dysfunction and not having a lot of kids their age there. Others of our staff struggle in various ways as well, so we would ask for your prayers for wisdom on boundaries, strength for the work, more stable workers for the harvest, health in body as well as soul, and protection from the evil one.

We had the great joy of visiting with friend from Southeast India who spoke to our prayer group, house church and Sunday night study. We had an early Resurrection celebration on Sunday April 21 as well as that Sunday night. We plan to celebrate Passover this year on May 4 at one of the house churches. There are so many reasons to be thankful and these celebrations are helpful to that end. **Praise God for His faithfulness to Envision over these 16 years!**

Here is our weekly schedule:

Tuesday: Street Connect from 5:45-7:45pm starts at 1st Baptist on Flora St. Jesus Study at Drop in Center at 6:10pm.

Wednesday: Prayer at LOWPC from 10am-12pm. (House church at Lincoln Square at 3pm.) Jesus Study at McDonald's on Samish at 7pm.

Friday: Men's breakfast at Overeas Restaurant at 6:45am. Prayer at the Light of the World Prayer Center from 3-5pm.

Saturday: (House church at Mitzie's at 10am- Discipleship group at Jeff's at 10am)

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).