

Update on Envision

January 2021

The Mission of Envision is to:

• build authentic community by:

 proclaiming the gospel

 and making disciples of Jesus Christ

• in Whatcom County

• especially 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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Envisioning what God can do in Whatcom County

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Things accomplished, things to do!

These were our goals for 2020:

- 1- We would like to **multiply the Summit House vision**, including the possibility of a new person on staff to help us with this.
- 2- We would like to do more with **neighborhood outreach** this year ourselves and are encouraging others to do the same
- 3- We would like to expand our college outreach with more Jesus Studies and Gospel opportunities
- 4- We would like to do **a new CD and a few concerts** to encourage our supporters in meditating on God's Word and worshipping Him

. How did we do?

- 1- The LORD helped us find an Apprentice (Miles) for expanding our Summit House vision. And 2nd Church in Lynden just approved a second Summit House for Lynden! Praise God!
- 2- Rochelle and I did **some neighborhood outreach**, but it was tough to do with COVID. We **hope we inspired others to do the same** and would love to hear stories to that end
- 3- It was also difficult to expand our College Outreach, but the **LORD gave Peter Rust wisdom to do a podcast** that has already he's already started filming for BTC SALT
- 4- God opened the door for us to do a new CD and we were able to do an online concert for supporters! It's available on our website and on Spotify. "Our Eyes Are On You"



Here is a picture (left) from the BTC podcast that will be available led by Peter Rust. This student's name is Lizzy and she is a culinary arts student at BTC. Peter is going to showcase other students along with a teaching from the book of Mark. We feel like this is a great strategy for outreach to students during this time. Keep

this effort in your prayers, friends. For more information let us know if you want to get a BTC SALT newsletter. <u>director@btcsalt.org</u>

Thank you to those who gave the Coleman Stove and cooler. **That man has continued working and has just recently found housing instead of living in his car**! That process was quickened by your generosity and prayers. We are also excited for the Senti family to be able to make two more CD's this year through a generous donation of recording sessions at

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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!

BellingHome Recording studio. The first CD will be titled, "Songs of Joy" and the 2nd album will be a favorite hymns album by Rochelle. Keep praying for the lost to be saved by the LORD's Word!

Two men from 1st CRC in Lynden have been leading Street night on the nights when Mitchell and Jeff can't. So now there is someone at 1st Baptist at 5:30pm every Tuesday for Street night. And the Gospel opportunities continue as we hand out socks and pray, Christmas carol, and share Christ when possible. We've been able to follow up with people we've seen from week to



week again. We even have visited the homeless camp by Bellingham City Hall and had many conversations, praying for folks, hearing stories of one couple who fell into the stream from their tent and were rescued out of the water. They expressed gratitude for their lives. But tensions can run high there, **so pray for a peaceful atmosphere and that the Gospel will take hold** because there are many there who believe in Jesus too.

Our dear brother Sopajay returned to do an internship at the Summit house, helping the men who were new to the program and starting his own group called "Come and Join the Circle". It was his first time facilitating a group and it went excellently; he had each person share art, poetry or song and prayed for all who came. **His excitement knows no bounds to be a graduate now helping make disciples of others.**

Thank you to those who sponsored new men to become part of the house. One man has smoked marijuana in the past to help his back pain feel better, but can't do so during the program, so we are asking **if anyone wants to sponsor him to get some chiropractic appointments or physical therapy when his back hurts** from past accidents. Let us know if you're interested. We are very excited about a 2nd Summit house starting in Lynden hosted by 2nd CRC. But do **be praying that more men will be raised up who are ready** for such a program. They need to be ready and willing for discipleship and at the end of their process into Church and vocation. If you know of someone interested let us know as well.

Also pray for an Iranian man who is coming to Christ and is part of one of the house churches. The Sentis need to take a break from leading a house church this coming year, so pray for those that were a part of that to find other house churches or local churches to become a part of in the next five to six months. Our partnership with the Jesus Gathering house church network continues on and we so appreciate the elders and people who are part of that!

Our Weekly Schedule:

<u>Tuesday:</u> Street Night Tuesdays (5:30-7:15pm), starts at 1st Baptist on Flora St. <u>Wednesday:</u> Jesus Study at the Summit House (5pm) <u>Thursday:</u> Men's group at Nick's at 7am. <u>Friday:</u> Prayer at the Light of the World Prayer Center (3-5pm) <u>Saturday:</u> Jeff's House church at Bruce's at (11am) House church at the Gray's (10am) <u>Sunday:</u> House church meetings at Rust's (10am) Jesus Gathering at Hope in Christ on the 2nd Sunday of each month (5pm) House church at the Majestic all other Sundays (5pm)