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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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Prayers, Needs and Praises!

We need men for our Summit houses! Our hearts are burdened for men in this culture. Many applicants have come forward for the Summit house, but for one reason or another, sometimes even just not wanting to give up recreational marijuana, we haven't found them to be either ready or willing. So, again, if you know of anyone that might be interested, let us know. The Summit house ministry is not really meant to get homeless men off the street, but to support guys who are somewhat stable but are "stuck" in some area and need help moving forward in life. Also again pray that God will provide some residents for the 2nd house as well. Thank you so much, friends.

https://envisionthesummit.org is the new website for the Summit house for referrals.

Our **Bellingham house needs a quality tea kettle** the guys can use to heat up water on the stove. They also could use a new **rice cooker**, as the old one has gone out. If you have one you'd be willing to donate let us know. We so enjoy the guys that live there currently and are **very excited for the advent of the second Summit house in Lynden**. HalleluYah!

And we continue to see transformation in the lives of folks we work with. On one occasion at the Prayer meeting on Friday we prayed for a man to be delivered from demonic oppression. He is doing better with his family, but pray that he and his will be protected, delivered and healed in Jesus more and more daily.

Our street night crew has grown in number and effectiveness. Some are focused more on relationships, building trust by handing out needed items and praying with folks. Others are focused more on sharing the Gospel verbally in that context. But it's a beautiful mess



as two crews currently go out in 3's and 4's. Often the group of four breaks up into two's as the night goes on. Recently we shared the Gospel with a man who was hanging out under a bridge and he received a New Testament gladly also. Pray that he comes to know the LORD. As our Sunday night house church disperses we hope to have a Jesus Study at the Majestic in order to follow up with those we meet on the streets and others who are new believers as well. At the end of street night we always like to sing together as well. (Mitchell pictured here sharing with a man at the bridge)

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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!

As we enter into this year with the vision of **Christ and Him crucified** we are excited to see what God will do. Our Bellingham Technical College outreach BTC SALT continues on with the podcast now available at http://www.btcsalt.org/index.html The next podcast should be up this month with interview and the next segment of "Understanding Jesus".



It's called Campus Salt Fellowship. Thank you for your prayers for the effectiveness of this outreach for students there! Thank you also for praying for our Iranian friend who keeps growing in Christ along with others, even past his language barriers. (Peter's podcast pictured left)

Peter plans to meet with this friend and a couple others as well as the BTC mentors for further fellowship in a small group setting in partnership with the Jesus Gathering house church network.

Thank you for praying for our friend in

baptism class as well. He is still well connected to us in Christ and has found more and more work which has given him such stability in Christ we are just praising God.

We are over half way finished with the "Songs of Joy" album and soon will be getting started on the favorite hymns album by Rochelle. Thanks for your prayers that this will be an effective way to encourage believers to be meditating on Scripture and focusing on Christ.

We also could use some more men for our men's group on Thursday mornings. It is led by a wonderful man who has also gone through transformation named Nick. Let us know if you're interested in coming or know someone who would be. We plan to do some hikes and fun stuff together on weekends too.

The man from our last newsletter who has found hope in Christ again **is also now working on building a tiny house on the property** of a noble-hearted friend of his. As soon as we put the need out to our folks it was met and beyond! We're so proud of the LORD in him and God's ability to transform lives. Keep praying for him to continue to grow and heal.

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) (Changing to Sunday nights in March)

Thursday: Men's group at Nick's at 7am.

Friday: Prayer at the Light of the World Prayer Center (3-5pm)

<u>Saturday:</u> Jeff's House church at Bruce's at (10am) 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) (Changing to Jesus Study after March 7- Sunday nights at 5pm)