



# Update on Envision

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Envisioning what God can do in Whatcom County

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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 and Praises!

**Please be praying for our staff as we seem to be under attack in terms of health especially.** But we are encouraged to see what God is doing among us nonetheless.

Envision had the opportunity to partner with the Light of the World Prayer Center and with Lighthouse Mission doing an outreach with a group from the Kansas City International House of Prayer. Students from that school joined us as we took to the streets. On one occasion **two of the students prayed for a man's shoulder to be healed and he himself testified that it was so.** Another group spent time praying with a man who was living in his van, but was also a believer needing encouragement. So often we find that our friends on the streets are believers, but need connection to the Body of Christ.

**On Street night we have had the opportunity to share the Gospel** in different ways. Our street night team was able to follow up with the man that the Prayer Center folks had met the night before. We are inviting him to join our Jesus study. Pray that he will not isolate himself, but will trust the Body of Christ again- the Church. Pray for him and for so many like him in that place. This past Street night we met so many folks; some who would sing with us on the corner of Railroad and Holly, others outside of 1<sup>st</sup> Baptist Church. These are believers, but they are disconnected and often therefore stuck in addiction. (Pictured below- one of our times of worship on Railroad and Holly St.)



That is why we value our **partnership with the Lighthouse Mission.** We have started these Summit houses so that as men and women learn to be restored through the Gospel mission they might enter into the life of the Church through Summit houses and into vocation, moving forward in their discipleship process.

**Thank you for your prayers for the Summit house! One of our two recent applicants is moving in this month.** We could use sponsorship for these men, about two months worth is a \$1,000 sponsorship. Let us know if you're interested meeting this need.

**Board:  
Elders and their  
wives:**

Mitchell and Rochelle  
Senti,  
Bernie and Mary  
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deaconesses:**

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Kooistra

“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  
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Our vision: to seek the  
face of Jesus!

Also check out our recent vlog on the website: [www.envisionthesummit.org](http://www.envisionthesummit.org) We are gathering furniture for the Lynden Summit house so we'll let you know if we need any items by next month.

And while we are sad to see our 12 step leader Jim Stitt, moving on, though we are super thankful for his contribution to the team, we are amazed how quickly the Lord provided a new leader named Josiah from Jim's church to take his place! **Within one day the LORD made that transition possible** and Jim can pass the baton to the next leader. HalleluYah!

Our **Men's Group is also a part of connecting men to community in Christ** and we hope to do more fun stuff together, but it has already provided that for us and for one of our guys from the Summit house as his own church has not yet started meeting in person because of COVID.

We also invite folks from the streets to our **Jesus Study on Sunday nights at 5pm at the Majestic**. This study is largely for new believers and those who are recently baptized or seeking God. It has been a great way to fellowship and a public place to meet folks also for the first time who want to go deeper with Christ.

**The Senti family got to go on vacation during spring break** in April and had a very refreshing time there. What a once in a lifetime experience to go to Hawaii with the whole Senti clan!

**Peter Rust is meeting with a small group on Fridays connected to the Bellingham Technical College outreach called BTC SALT**. The transcript for his next Understanding Jesus episode is on the website and you can check to see if the 2<sup>nd</sup> episode is available as well: [www.btcsalt.org/understanding-jesus-2](http://www.btcsalt.org/understanding-jesus-2) The 2nd episode is also on Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rqsdJ0ZG2OE>

Also feel free to check out one of our intern's new curriculums for discipleship: <https://create.twu.ca/jameysweetportfolio/portfolio/freedom-multiplied-1st-edition-narrative-identity-discipleship-curriculum/>

**Keep the end of August on your calendars for a Senti concert of worship with the new CD: Songs of Joy- coming soon!**

**Our Weekly Schedule:**

**Tuesday:** Street Night Tuesdays (5:30-7:15pm), starts at 1<sup>st</sup> Baptist on Flora St.

**Thursday:** Men's group at Woods Barkely at 7am.

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

**Saturday:** Jeff's House church at Bruce's at (10am) House church at the Gray's (10am)

**Sunday:** House church meetings at Rust's (10am) Jesus Gathering at Hope in Christ on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month (5pm) Jesus Study at the Majestic all other Sundays (5pm)