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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 Again and Again

Once again our Street night crew is sharing Christ, praying with folks and giving out needed items on Tuesday nights! Right off the bat we gave a Bible to a man, prayed with him for healing and invited him to our Jesus Study on Sunday night along with others who



stood there with us looking on. Pray that folks will come and find discipleship and community in Christ. There are so many who believe but are not connected to the Body from the streets of Bellingham. Pictured left one group of 2-3 took a picture of another group while they were ministering to a man downtown. We are so thankful for the crew from 1st Christian Reformed Church led by Cal Buys. It's also been a great joy to have others join us including students from local schools.

The Summit houses are moving forward by the grace of God! Thank you for your prayers. The 2nd Summit house in Lynden is now set up and taking applications. We are meeting with the Lighthouse Mission regularly to invite men from their Ascent program to join us. We could use at least one more month of sponsorship for a dear brother at the Summit house. That would be \$500. A big thank you to those that gave two months worth of program fees for one of our men who is needing the help until his regular work schedule starts again. Our 12 Step group is going strong, led by Josiah Heinz, on Monday nights at the Bellingham house. The Lynden house will be using the Genesis Process for recovery work.

Would a group of ladies be interested in helping the guys at the Bellingham house in the Roosevelt Neighborhood to do a summer cleaning of the house? Let us know if interested - 360-392-0289. We feel like it needs the ladies' touch, as it were. Also be on the lookout for a discipleship partner class soon for those interested in becoming discipleship partners for our men-married couples are also welcome!

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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!

It's vital that these men have a support system, preferably from their church, to help them now so that after they graduate that support system is still present. It's also vital that we learn as the church to be able to share our struggles and joys so that our friends don't feel like folks in the church have no struggles. When we share with vulnerability it creates an atmosphere of grace where others feel safe to share and receive prayer also. A discipleship partner comes alongside another once a week, or at least bi-weekly, for coffee or just to do life together- going on an errand or working together on a project, etc. God will even teach us to be a safe, transparent community through our friends that are in recovery. We dream to have more and more of these houses adopted by local churches, including ladies' houses, in the future. There are two other men considering joining the Summit house currently. Pray for God's will to be done. Also pray for the men currently at the Lighthouse Mission, that God will start preparing them and discipleship partners to be raised up for them also.

We've had the chance both at Hope in Christ and at 1st Reformed in Lynden to share about hospitality to the poor. What a joy to explore this topic. If your church is interested in that let us know.

BTC Salt is officially a club at Bellingham Technical College! This will open doors to work on campus in the Fall and for us to canvas the campus for potential students to join the club or watch the podcast. You can check out the podcast at www.btcsalt.org There are new episodes up on the website. Peter Rust is also meeting with a small group on Fridays connected to the outreach through the Jesus Gathering house church network.

We long to see more folks come to Christ and be made disciples, including through Street Night, BTC Salt, in our neighborhoods, through the Jesus Study, Men's group, and the Jesus Gathering. **Pray for a harvest of souls for the glory of Christ in our county!**

Keep the end of August on your calendars for a Senti concert of worship with the new CD: Songs of Joy! The CD has arrived! We are excited to share it. Rochelle is also working on her CD of songs in the studio this month. HalleluYah!

The Senti's will be out of town at the end of June, visiting Kansas and helping with worship and preaching at Zuni CRC in New Mexico. They'll be back in early July. Pray that will be a blessing to all involved.

Our Weekly Schedule:

Tuesday: Street Night Tuesdays (5:30-7:15pm), starts at 1st 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)

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