



# 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
- 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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## Praises and Prayers

**We are happy to announce that the latest CD, "Songs of Joy" is available for download on the website.** If you donate any amount, you will receive a code and be able to then download the songs off the site.

Again, we want to thank those of you who have sent sponsorship funds in the past. **There is still a need for another month**, this time for one of our Bellingham guys who has heart problems and hasn't been able to work more than 8 hours for an entire month. That would be a donation of \$500 and please mark it on the memo line as 'Summit House'. Also pray that he will be healed and able to work again. Pray for wisdom also for his doctors.

**We're also thankful for discipleship partners matched with every guy in the houses.** The houses are full and so many have stepped forward to do this important work. The Lynden house now has a weekly meeting for discipleship partners, the men review the Genesis Process recovery program and, while there have been some growing pains, the guys are moving forward well. Our Bellingham house follows a 12 step program, and is also full. Of course there are some setbacks there as well, but on the whole each man is continuing to make strides forward in their growth.



**What an amazing retreat we had at Cedar Springs!** (Setting pictured left). It is such a beautiful place with an amazing staff! The first night the paid staff

stayed in a cabin, ate dinner and had a mediation time on "Christ and Him Crucified." We stayed the night and then had our volunteers join us for the morning session with a message on the same subject by Pastor Ben deRegt, which was very moving and helpful for all of us. Each session included worship and fellowship. That afternoon we walked

**Board:  
Elders and their  
wives:**  
Mitchell and Rochelle  
Senti,  
Bernie and Mary  
Brower

Elder/Pastor: Ben  
deRegt

**Treasurer/Elder:** Dan  
Obbink

**Advisory Deacon and  
deaconesses:**  
Rustin Polinder and  
Linda Hammingsh

**Bookkeeper:** Karen  
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!

the grounds and prayed individually.

The retreat finished out with a late afternoon session on the crucified Christ with worship and interaction on the theme. We do hope to honor the Gospel even more this year and to be willing to suffer for Christ as well.

We were also very happy to realize that the landlord from the Majestic had come to Christ some time ago and shared his faith openly. **We pray that he will continue in the truth with his family and get to know the Lord more every day.** Many times we've prayed for him and appreciated his support and respect over the years.

**Two individuals are receiving vehicles** in this season who had lost their licenses in the past due to difficult circumstances. It is so fun to see these folks moving forward in every sense!

Tonight on Street night the team went out two by two again. One group went to Base Camp, another to the lettered streets, another to Maritime Heritage Park and still another to the bus station. After they left I went back to my truck and heard a woman yelling loudly to herself that she had no value and that only people with nice things had value. I told her that her value didn't come from having things or from what other people think but that it comes from God. She listened, stopped talking to herself and asked me how I knew she was valuable. I told her that the blood of Christ was shed for her and that it was more valuable than anything else, then continued to share the Gospel with her. “I used to believe that to my core, but things happened...” Then two workers from Base Camp/Lighthouse Mission came behind me and started to reiterate what I was saying. She was angry at the people from Base Camp, but now they were sharing their hearts with her and she was building trust with them. For so many bridges have been burned and **if they can build trust again, especially with us as believers and with the Lighthouse Mission, they can have hope again for a new life**, to actually move forward, to actually believe that they are precious to God. Please pray that she will trust again and try again and believe in Christ again.

BTC SALT continues forward with more students meeting with Peter Rust. Our Men's group also meets weekly and grows in strength as well. **We're so thankful for the ministries the Lord has raised up among us.**

**The Senti's are happy to announce their move as a family into the country.** This has also been an answer to prayer for them to have rest and peace with a little distance from the ministry.

**Our Weekly Schedule:**

**Tuesday:** Street Night Tuesdays (5:30-7:15pm), starts at 1<sup>st</sup> Baptist on 110 Flora St.

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

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

**Saturday:** House churches meet at various times

**Sunday:** 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)