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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 through Summit discipleship houses
- as a church missionary effort working in conjunction with local churches.

(Goals/Values and Budget Report Available Upon Request)

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# Update on Envision

Envisioning what God can do in Whatcom County

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## To Train and Provide

We are having a **discipleship partner training with lunch provided at Northwest Baptist church on Sunday after church on May 4 at noon!** This will be a great opportunity to learn about discipleship, particularly discipleship partnership, but it is open to all who are interested in learning more about Summit houses too, so please mark your calendars if you are so led.



**We had an amazing roundtable discussion on mental health on April 10, 6:30pm at Bethel Church** in Lynden. We presented basic information and then the back and forth conversation went wonderfully well. Pictured on the left are Martha and Rochelle setting up for hospitality before the discussion.

**We are also excited to have a new resident in the Northwest Baptist house named Oscar.** Oscar is from Kenya and is here on an educational basis studying seaweed and algae and working as a caregiver, gardener. We also have a family of four, a mom and three children at the Bethel house through Amor Vivente's ministry to immigrants. We are so happy to host them for a couple months as they have their paperwork and are seeking to move forward in their journey with the LORD.

Also if you're interested, scan the QR code to access a podcast from a ministry in South Bend, Indiana that has a similar heart to us.



### From Miles' Desk: (Program Administrator)

Whether walking through the peaceful ways of life, break throughs in one-on-one sessions, or getting together with members of the community for workshop and roundtable events, the year has already seen a number of victories on the large scale and small.

On the smaller scale, God has granted some of our guests with a sense of peace and purpose as they continue to seek after His will for their lives, with our team being privileged to see it play out in their lives. One of our guests has been faithfully serving as Resident Assistant in our new house at Northwest Baptist Church since August. Though he faced stress on the work front in the shape of reduced hours and continuing healthcare concerns, he continued to press forward with what can only be described as the joy of the Lord! And now, with a pickup of work and **his health recovering, he continues all the more grateful to God in his daily walk.**

Sometimes we are blessed to see great strides relatively quickly in our guests, and others, we await patiently and gleam with excitement when the first signs of growth start to manifest. Recently, a guest of ours began a specialized program aimed at helping them confront some of

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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.)

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Our vision: to seek the face of Jesus!

these long-standing behavioral problems. **What has been most encouraging isn't just their commitment to the process, but the beginnings of clarity about the deeper, emotional, and spiritual roots beneath those struggles.** When patterns of thinking have been engrained for years, authentic change is often hard fought—but what a joy to witness it!

**1<sup>st</sup> Christian Reformed Church hosts a Mission celebration on a Saturday night and Sunday morning in March.** We love participating in this amazing event every year. (Mitchell is pictured here at the event).



**Mitchell will be painting as a contractor part time starting in June** and scaling back to 32 hours a week with Envision. He will continue to be Pastoral Director, just also working with his hands.

We want to be sure to let supporters know again that the “Shorts” album is available on

[www.envisionmission.org/media](http://www.envisionmission.org/media)

**Scroll down and if you've donated any amount online you can get a code to download the album.** If you can't afford a small donation please

let us know and we'll just send you the code anyway. And **volunteers are needed for the Summit thrift store.** Feel free to walk in and inquire about what times and jobs would be the most helpful as that changes frequently depending on the needs. We're so excited about how well the store is doing as it provides about 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of our budget.

**We welcome Jeff Grothe to the Board/Council of Envision.** He is an elder in the house church network known as Bellingham Home Fellowship and is quite familiar with Envision. He replaced Rusty Polinder who has moved on, but is quite supportive of our ministry still. Please pray for all of us as we move forward together.

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Thank you so much for your support!*



### **Our Weekly Schedule:**

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

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

**Sunday:** Jesus Study at the Majestic (5pm)