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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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Prayers and Praises

We are so excited about the **Grace Training coming up at the Lighthouse Mission Chapel from October 27-29. If you're a volunteer and are interested in joining us, let us know** by e-mail at info@envisionmission.org or leave a message at 360-392-0289. The Grace Training is time-tested approach that focuses on Gospel-centered interactions in ministry. We will be concentrating on how to do self-evaluations personally and with others that we work with. This training expresses our core values as a ministry so if you're a discipleship partner or just want to learn more, please attend if you can.



The Summit Thrift store continues to thrive! Here is an update from store manager Lori VanBeek: "This September, Summit Thrift Store has been blessed to have been open for 3 years! You will find us at 404 Front Street, downtown Lynden. If you have not been in yet, swing by to meet our friendly volunteers and check out our large variety of items. We receive many beautiful donations: jewelry, crafts, clothing, sports, toys, decor, books and household to name a few. All are priced and displayed in the store. All of the money raised in our store is given to Envision Ministries to assist in the support of Summit Houses. **God has been richly blessing the work at the store,** and we have been able to pass on very helpful amounts. While we have a few part-time staff at Summit Thrift, we function mainly with



volunteers. Our volunteers are special people, giving of their time and talents to keep the store running. Many friendships have formed with the people volunteering as well as with the staff, and laughter is often heard coming from the work areas. God has given amazing unity within the walls of Summit Thrift Store. Donations are accepted in the back alley during open hours: Monday-Saturday, 9:30-4:00. Ring the doorbell and we will be happy to assist you. (Please check that items are in very good condition before donating, as we cannot sell anything that has stains, is faded, ripped, not-working, missing cords, etc. We try to keep our costs down by not needing additional garbage pick up.) Decor items are always in

demand! We always accept volunteer applications, and we will contact you if a need arises for an additional person. You can pick up an application at the store. Each shift is ½ day. Please pray for the store. We are in constant need of God's help. Pray for our customers, volunteers, staff and those donating. Pray that His love would shine through us as we interact with many, and that through this others would be drawn to Him. Christmas season is approaching, and Summit Thrift goes all out for Christmas. Be sure to add us as a stop on your shopping list. Looking forward to seeing you at Summit Thrift Store soon!" About 1/3rd of our budget comes from the Thrift Store, so be sure to support us through that in addition to prayers and donations directly to Envision Mission.

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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!

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Our vision: to seek the face of Jesus!

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Our dear friend Dave Bosman entered the Summit house in August of 2025. When he was at the Ascent program at the Lighthouse Mission, we saw him weekly and each time he would say, “I’m getting out of here. I need to work and this place is boring me to death.” We would encourage him to stick it out and each week he would. This went on for more than a year. He proved to us that even though he wanted to move on, he didn’t. He knew that the stuff he was learning in the program was life-changing and he needed to address his workaholicism among other things. He did and then it was time for him to come to the Summit house. What a blessing he has been. He spends time with his daughters, especially on the weekends, works hard, but also tries to stay connected to the Body of Christ and be healthy, sober and gives back to others with the life God has given him.

We’re so proud of him and would ask that you pray for him to continue to grow in Christ and in connection with his church and family also.

***From Miles’ Desk:***

In 1820 the original copy of the Declaration of Independence was in rough shape. Noting the fading ink and dulling parchment, John Quincy Adams commissioned the creation of a copperplate facsimile to make an exact replica of both the text and signatures. Two hundred copies were made on the highest-quality parchment—and nearly two hundred years later in 2007, a Nashville man would find one on sale in the local thrift store for just \$2.48.

Thousands of years before any of this, Samuel looked at Eliab, the eldest of Jesse’s sons, and thought that surely this striking young man was the Lord’s anointed; yet God saw differently. He saw a grubby shepherd boy with a heart after His own, and anointed him King David.

What else or who else might be hiding in plain sight, I wonder...



Check out our latest video testimony from the Summit Houses: <https://youtu.be/UAarDpp263A>

Our Weekly Schedule:

Tuesdays: Street Night Tuesdays (5:30-7:15pm)
Begins outside First Baptist Church
at 110 Flora St, Bellingham

Fridays: Prayer Time for the Poor (3-5 pm)
Light of the World Prayer Center
824 W. Smith Rd., Bellingham

