



Members of Christ Community Church,

May 3, 2009

Following are the final drafts of the **Core Values and Mission Statements**. “Final drafts” means that you can **continue to provide input up to Friday, May 15**.

As you read though these final drafts and think about any additional feedback you would like to submit, please note the following...

- The actual feedback is posted on the Visioning Website. Go to www.cccarp.org and click on the “a vision for the future” graphic link in the center of the Home Page.
- A new *Ongoing Core Values & Mission Statement Feedback Form* has been provided on the Visioning Website.

There are 4 ways you can provide additional feedback...

- Use the Feedback Form on the Visioning Website.
- Email your feedback to: feedback@webcoach4u.com
- Mail the attached Feedback Form to the church office.
- Deliver the Attached Feedback Form to the church office.

Core Values (final draft) ...

Our Values identify the Biblical principles that establish our priorities, influence our choices, and guide our actions.

Our **Core Values Statement** defines the Biblical principles that we believe are essential in defining our mission and our vision for the future.

Word of God ...

- We believe in the Bible as the God-breathed and inerrant, unchanging Word of God.
- We believe that what we preach, how we worship, what and how we teach, and the way we live in Christian community and relate to the world around us is to be shaped and directed by the Word of God.
- We believe that the doctrines contained in the Word of God are faithfully expressed by the Westminster Confession of Faith and Catechisms.



Grace of God ...

- We believe that God's Glory is fully displayed by the Grace of God, which is the pervasive theme, story, and message of the Bible..
- We believe that we are reconciled to a Holy God, not by our good works or our own righteousness, but by the Grace of God that comes to us through Christ's sinless life, perfect obedience, atoning death on the Cross, and resurrection.
- We believe that God enables and leads us in responding to the Grace of God through the work of the Holy Spirit in each of us individually, and in our life together in the Body of Christ.

Kingdom of God ...

- We believe that the Kingdom of God exists in the present, and that God's Kingdom is advanced through the life and ministry of the Body of Christ, the Church.
- We believe that the Word, sacraments, and prayer are foundational to the worship, fellowship, and ministry of the Church.
- We believe that each church member has been uniquely gifted by God and is called to use those Spiritual Gifts in advancing the life and ministry of the Church.
- We believe that the word and deed emphasis of Scripture calls us to include global outreach and acts of mercy as a vital part of the Church's life and ministry.
- We believe that stewardship of time and material possessions and faithful giving to further the Kingdom of God results from the joyful acknowledgment that everything we have comes from God.

Note: A number of people asked us to clarify the word *advances* or *advanced*. Your editorial team was not able to come up with a word that expresses the same meaning, so the word was not replaced. The word "advance" has two meanings that apply in the above statements...

- To move or bring forward (e.g., *advance* the troops to a new position)
- To improve; to advance one's purpose or interests.

Several individuals also suggested adding Scripture references - which will be done once everything is finalized.



Mission (final draft) ...

The word “mission” comes from the Latin *missium* meaning *to send*. Mission explains why we exist and points our values in the direction we are convinced God is sending us.

Our **Mission Statement** clarifies and defines the *who*, *what*, and *where* of our ministry.

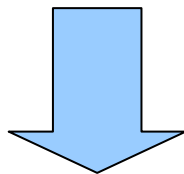
Our mission is to ...

Communicate the Word of God, model the Grace of God, and advance the Kingdom of God such that people from Greensboro, North Carolina to the ends of the world discover what it truly means to glorify God and enjoy Him forever.

Note: It became clear to your editorial team that a shorter, easier to remember *Mission Statement* was desired - and that we need to broaden our mission field beyond Gilford County. The team eliminated the other two sections from the initial draft, feeling that they could be better addressed in the Vision Statement.

Once again, several individuals also suggested adding Scripture references - which will be done once everything is finalized.

Core Values & Mission Feedback Form





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**CORE VALUES & MISSION STATEMENTS
Final Draft Feedback Form**

Due: Friday, May 15 2009, by 5 PM

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email (if you have one): _____

Feedback on CORE VALUES...

Feedback on the MISSION STATEMENT...