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Engaging in Mission

"We participate in God's mission for the world, working with partners to heal the brokenness of creation, and to bring justice and peace to the whole human family."

It's hard to think of a more ambiguous term in the history of the church than "mission." On the one hand, I hope we agree that the church has lost its way if its only concern is the care of its members. Christians are a people gathered by the love of God in Jesus Christ and sent into the world in order to manifest that love to others. If the church ceases to be outward directed, it hasn't just failed in one of its tasks; it has ceased, in any meaningful sense, to be church.

On the other hand, the *way* Christians — at least, some Christians — have engaged in mission has been deeply troubling. A century ago, mission was still widely associated with the spread of Western culture, which meant that Christianity was sometimes a tool of colonial domination. Even today, some churches pursue mission with an attitude of superiority that pays little attention to the integrity of other cultures and faiths.

As a result, churches involved in ecumenical dialogue, including the Disciples, have been rethinking the nature and practice of mission for the past 50 years. The statement by the Disciples' Vision Team reflects two crucial elements of this changing understanding.



MIFA MONEY

Faith Christian Church made a 700.00 donation to the food bank. We collected 200.00 from the congregation and the Outreach committee recommended sending 500.00 Thanks to all who contributed.



Quarterly Congregational Meeting following Worship Sunday June 24th, 2012



Fellowship with us!! Sundays @ 10:00 a.m.
Please contact Betty Body or Janie Hurt if you would like to volunteer
to bring food or drink.





Sundays from 9:30 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. Rev. Scott Pricer leads Sunday School. Please bring your bible and join us.

ALSO

Wednesday evening Bible study is in hiatus for the summer.

WOMEN OF FAITH

Priscilla group meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 10:30 a.m. @ Lindenwood. All are welcome.



Regional Assembly



Plans have been made for a great Regional Assembly, October 19-21, 2012 at New Direction Christian Church, Memphis. Inspiring preachers will speak, uplifting music will be heard, and friends will be everywhere. Plan now to be in Memphis, October 19-21.

(Next newsletter deadline 7-18-2012) If you would prefer to receive the newsletter via e-mail please let us know thru the churches e-mail Faithccmemphis@bellsouth.net

FAITH IN MINISTRY

Sun., June 24

9:30 Sunday School 10:40 Worship
Worship Leader: *Sara Andreas*
Elders: *Bill Kirkland, Doug Southall*
Deacons: *Sara Andreas, Sharon Cheeseman*
Communion Preparer: *Kathy Kaufenberg*
Counters: *Bill & Mimi Kirkland*
Scripture Reader: *Scott Andreas*

Wed., June 27

7:30 p.m. Choir

Sun., July 1

9:30 Sunday School 10:40 Worship
Worship Leader: *Margaret Caccamisi*
Elders: *Kathy & Mike Hurt*
Deacons: *Max Hendrix, Ken Gray*
Communion Preparer:
Counters: *Kathy Hurt*
Scripture Reader: *Max Hendrix*

Wed., July 4

Sun., July 8

9:30 Sunday School 10:40 Worship
Worship Leader: *Doug Southall*
Elders: *Margaret Caccamisi, Betty Bodry*
Deacons: *Sid Hurt, Linda Hendrix*
Communion Preparer:
Counters:
Scripture Reader: *Linda Hendrix*

Wed., July 4

Sun., July 15

9:30 Sunday School 10:40 Worship
Worship Leader: *Doug Southall*
Elders: *Janie Hurt, Kathy Kaufenberg*
Deacons: *Keith VonAlmen, Sara Andreas*
Communion Preparer: *Janie Hurt*
Counters:
Scripture Reader: *Kathy Kaufenberg*

Wed., July 11

7:30 p.m. Choir