



Connections

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Declaring to each individual their eternal value in Jesus and preparing them for His soon-return!

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Pastor's Greeting: Keeping the Vision Before Us

Dear Anderson Church Family,

Last Sabbath we concluded the last of our Vision Quest sessions with a time to share ways to “Keep the Vision Before Us”. Many ideas were shared and will be implemented in the near future. Some are already in the process of being carried out, and you will notice some changes over the course of the next few weeks leading up to November 1 weekend.

1. Check out the church website and you will find our mission statement on the home page. You will also find our vision statement on the “About Us” page. See anderson.adventistfaith.org
2. You will notice some changes to the bulletin and in the sanctuary beginning November 1. You will also have a tangible way to take the mission/vision document home with you that Sabbath.

Where do we go from here? First, the Church Board will take the ideas from the Mission/Vision document and endeavor to make a 5 year plan. The first year of that plan will be plotted on the calendar and an insert with the main dates/ideas will be put in the bulletin. Secondly, we will have periodic times of spiritual emphasis and ways to emphasize our mission throughout the year. This will include a yearly prayer focus (10 Days of Prayer and a prayer service) in January and a “Praise Report” where we will share what has been happening to fulfill the mission. A third way to keep the mission before us is to have Testimony Sabbaths where we will share testimonies from the ministries/projects developed to fulfill the mission.

These ideas and more will be ongoing until we reach January/February of 2016 where we will do our second Health Assessment and will have a progress report. Lastly, in the Spring of 2016 we will have a series of sessions on Sabbath afternoons called “Values Quest” where we will look back and note what we value and wish to continue practicing as a church. May He lead us to keep a vision for the future ever before us!!

Outline of a Visit (adapted from by Jac Colon & Elden Walter)

"Jesus saw in every soul one to whom must be given the call to His kingdom. He reached the hearts of the people by going among them as one who de-sired their good. He sought them in the public streets, in private houses, on the boats, in the synagogue, by the shores of the lake, and at the marriage feast. He met them at their daily vocations, and manifested an interest in their secular affairs" DA151 Use the FORT method to remember the sequence to sharing:

Family- *Look for opportunities to compliment them on their families, chil-dren, homes, or even hobbies or interests they may have.*

Occupation— *Ask about their work and how they feel about it. Don't do all the talking, let them talk.*

Religion- *Move into Spiritual things as soon as possible. They know why you are there. Don't ask "What church do you go to?" You may embarrass them if they don't attend. Ask, "Which church were you brought up in? Do you still attend? Be careful not to criticize their church or beliefs.*

Testimony - *Share your testimony and ask the 2 questions, followed by the gospel presentation. After they pray to accept Christ, invite them to a study group or series of meetings. **Next: Proper Follow-up***

Anderson Connections (please see your bulletin for more announcements)

Campout—October 24-26 @ Ackerman Campground.

Upcoming Speakers—October 25 @ 11am: Uriel Belboda; November 1 @ 11am: Pastor Miller; November 8 @ 11am: Elder Ed Fergusson (Assistant to NCC president).

Roof / Solar: We have voted to move forward with the project and are awaiting a Conference loan of \$52,000. Mark your tithe envelope "Roof and Solar"

Landmarks of Prophecy— October 31 to November 22 in the sanctuary. Invite your family, friends, neighbors, etc. If you would like to help with childcare, then contact Karen at the office.

Area & NCC Happenings

Northern California Conference call to prayer: each Thursday at 7:00am. Dial 424-203-8400 then put in the access code: 669648#

10+10 Local: If each one of us gave \$10/month can easily help us reach our goal of \$14,400 for Christian Education. Mark your envelope "Redding Adventist Academy".

Mad About Marriage Training: October 19 @ 10am at the NCC Conference office. If you want to learn how to bring this ministry to Anderson then contact the Pastor.