

PASTOR JACK'S VISION FOR PLEASANT HILL BAPTIST CHURCH (2019-2020)

The vision that God has given me as the spiritual leader of this church is crucial if we are going to commit ourselves to follow His calling and fulfill His plans and purposes. God's revelatory vision or marching orders for Pleasant Hill Baptist Church is **onward** and **upward**. We are to move beyond "ordinary" and become "extraordinary" for His glory and honor (Matthew 28). Our Lord desires for us to be extraordinary, rather than ordinary and He calls us to risk stepping outside of our comforts and press on with courage and commitment. Our primary purposes are extraordinary: **Love All, Reach All, Teach All, and Serve All**. This year, I want to lead Pleasant Hill members to personally and intentionally invest themselves in each of these purposes and press on towards extraordinary love, worship, and service. We will continue to work towards unity (Loving and Serving all), inspiration and training (Teach all), and intensify our efforts and focus on reaching out to our community (Reach all). Here are some specific visions that I have for this year:

Missions/Evangelism/Outreach

1. The Care Team and our Deacons will lead out in reaching out to our community. They will team up (2-3) and target a small area in our community (our "Jerusalem") for outreach and visitation. They will include other members to go along with them. We will map out areas and homes of lost/unchurched & churched and be intentional in our outreach.
2. We will encourage and support member involvement in both local and international missions (e.g., World Changers, N.C. Baptist Men mission projects, and etc.).
3. We will invite mission speakers (e.g., IMB missionary, Gideon, and etc) at least twice during the year to inspire and encourage us to mission involvement.
4. We will plan and hold a mini-revival (3-4 days) that will bring in a special speaker for an evangelistic emphasis.
5. I will begin to develop plans for an Israel trip in the fall of 2021 (which might possibly include mission-related activities in Nazareth and the Galilee).

Discipleship

1. I will preach Sermons and lead Bible studies that: (1) disciple and grow our members spiritually and relationally; (2) present the gospel and invite the unsaved into a saving relationship with Christ Jesus; and (3) challenge and equip our members to share their faith in Christ with others.
2. I will continue to personally disciple new believers and offer counseling to troubled marriages and struggling Christians.
3. I will challenge each deacon to be personally involved in discipleship through one or more of the following ways: (1) Take a new member and/or family and walk alongside of them as their "personal deacon;" (2) choose a young believer to disciple for a 3-6 month period of time; (3) lead a mid-week men's Small Group Bible study; or (4) lead a monthly Bible study or serve Communion in a home or Care facility.

Worship

1. I am recommending that Pleasant Hill call a part-time Worship Pastor or Worship Leader who is gifted, called, and trained to lead worship and who will be charged with leading, developing, training, unifying, and coordinating all aspects of our worship. This Worship leader will blend and use choir, praise teams, and solos and all of the wonderful variety of hymns, anthems, and praise music to engage and immerse our people in worship.
2. I will encourage and challenge our church and musically gifted members to expand and build our worship leadership.
3. We will train our Worship Teams and Audio/Video presentation team to assist in making our worship experiences extraordinary (from concept, choice, to presentation).

Fellowship

1. We will plan quarterly fellowships (meals, trips, special celebrations, and etc.) to encourage both deep fellowship and a deep sense of shared purpose.
2. We will use our deacons to lead Communion (2-3 times per year) for either shut-ins, in nursing home groups, or in church member's homes.

Sunday School/Small Groups

1. We will explore the needs and opportunities to expand discipleship and fellowship through Sunday School and Small Groups
2. We will continue to encourage summer small groups, as well as encourage ongoing small groups and Bible studies.

Finance

1. I will encourage and challenge our church to increased financial stewardship. (Let church know of our needs & opportunities through).

Facilities

1. We will finish the renovations of the Children's & Special Needs Ministry area and the Audio/Video booth.
2. We will work towards developing two Greeting & Information Centers.
3. The Building & Grounds Team will prioritize and complete upkeep projects.
4. We will investigate upgrades to our video delivery system.
5. We will replace outdated microphones with new wireless mics.