

Next Step brochure

Here is our Mission Statement; our call is to be a real church and a reaching church.

Our values: Values are not theological statements, they are our mission non negotiables, things we are not willing to sacrifice, our most deeply held ideals, our shared convictions, what is most important to us.

Values we do not negotiate and drive us forward:

1. Get Jesus here. (He is everything!)
2. Get better here; (We provide a loving church environment that helps each person start where they are at and go forward)
3. Get serious here. (Growing people are changed people)
4. Get a family here. (You can't do life alone)
5. Get out of here! (Saved people Serve people. Serving builds bridges into people's lives thereby giving us an opportunity to introduce them to Jesus. Take Jesus to others)

So you have decided to follow Jesus! You have decided to make church a priority in your life. So what now? What is the next step after this?

Step 1. Become a Jesus Follower – a Christian!

Maybe you have already taken this step. To become a Christian is as easy as reaching out and inviting Jesus to come into your life. Here is what the Bible says: ***John 1:12-13 But to all who believed him and accepted him, he gave the right to become children of God. ¹³ They are reborn—not with a physical birth resulting from human passion or plan, but a birth that comes from God.***

We must believe. We must accept and invite Jesus into our life. After that we become, we become God's family, and this is from God.

When did you do this? Date _____

Step 2. Make it official through Baptism!

Baptism is our outward and public declaration of our new life and new faith in Jesus. Baptism is always done after salvation, publically and by immersion in water. Is baptism an option? No! We can't say we believe in Jesus and then say "no" to the first thing He instructs us to do. Baptism is the necessary second step.

When did you do this? Date _____

Step 3. Church...Every Sunday!

God has provided you a new family, a new place of encouragement, training and growth and a group of people who will cheer you on; it is called the church. The Bible instructs us to meet together to be part of something bigger than ourselves. It is important to be in church every week.

Step 4. Find a LifeSource group.

We believe that it is important to meet not only in large groups but also in small groups because you can't do life alone. A LifeSource group at Liberty Street will give you a place to walk with others, to discuss the bible, to get closer to God and to find friends. We have groups of different sizes, different days and different leaders; find one today!

When did you do this? Date _____

Step 5. Find a place to SERVE!

We want you to discover your gifts and get involved now. People are waiting for *you!* There are many opportunities and places where you can begin to impact lives at or through Liberty Street. We have a big job to do and everyone is needed.

When did you do this? Date _____

Step 6. Grow!

There is no substitute for the daily discipline of reading the Bible for yourself, praying and living out your calling. See a Pastor and we will give you a copy of a great resource called, "*The Purpose Drive Life.*" This book

is to be read one chapter at a time for read for 40 days explaining many of God's plans and promises for your life. This is a gift from us to you!

Date accomplished _____