



VISION 2020 “The Next Step” *Joshua 3* March 1, 2015

THE CHALLENGE: *A Renewed Vision - Transformation*
We desire to be radically transformed by God into a people He can use to transform others.

The **CHOICE**

- ✓ We Can Go Back to the Way We Were
- ✓ We Can Stay Like We Are
- ✓ We Can Boldly Move Ahead

THE CALL – A **DNA** Shift

- ✓ A Call to Connect Deeply
- ✓ A Call To Grow Deeper
- ✓ A Call to Commit Sacrificially
- ✓ A Call to Go & Multiply Rapidly

The **CHANGED LOGO**

The **CORE CONVICTIONS** (Values)

Intentional Relationships **Connect**

- ✓ With Jesus – Personal and Corporately – Meaningful and Passionate *Worship* – Prayerful Dependence
- ✓ With Others Inside the Church – LifeGroups *Fellowship*
- ✓ With Others Outside the Church *Evangelism*

Transformed Lives **Grow**

- ✓ Spiritual Growth – Deeper in the Word of God & Spiritual Disciplines
- ✓ Vibrant Leadership

- ✓ Disciples Reproducing Disciples (Accountability) *Discipleship*

Missional Living

Commit & Go

- ✓ Serve Inside the Church (Ministry Team) *Ministry*
- ✓ Serve Outside the Church (Missions) *Evangelism*
- ✓ Giving of Your Financial Resources, Time and Energy

THE CHART – A Transformation Journey

The **CRITERIA**

- ✓ **Connect** Yourself & Others to Christ and the Church
- ✓ **Grow** In a Deepening Relationship with Christ
- ✓ **Commit** Your Time & Resources to Serve Christ & Others
- ✓ **Go** Share the Love of Christ With Everyone Everywhere
- ✓ **Resources:** Buildings & Ministry Plan

OUR CONTRIBUTION & COMMITMENT

Take the Next Step for The Sake of the Call

- ✓ Commit to Praying every day for Vision 2020
- ✓ Identify and Take the Next Step Up in Each of the 4 Areas (**Connect / Grow / Commit / Go**)
- ✓ Take the Next Step Up and Commit to Serve on One of the 4 Teams: **Connect / Grow / Commit / Go Teams**
- ✓ Take Your Next Step Up on the Generosity Ladder
 - **First Time**
 - **Occasional**
 - **Intentional**
 - **Tithing**
 - **Extravagant**

VISION 2020

“The Next Step Up”

Acts 1:1-11

March 1, 2015 AM Service

I am so excited about what we are sharing with you today that I can hardly stand it! Our Vision Team has been working on and crafting this report to bring to you for over the last year & ½. This is isn't the Preacher's Vision – this is this team's vision alongside me.

Remember last week we talked about a lot of what if's. What if we allow the Lord to do this or ask the Lord to do this or our members stepped up and did this, or our Church fulfilled it's calling in certain ways? This morning we want to start looking at how to turn many of those what if's into reality.

We are not looking at some ways to tweak what we are doing, make some minor adjustments, we are asking the Lord to a fresh, radical work in the lives of those here @ Petal FBC that goes far beyond what we have ever encountered before. We are just hoping to make a small dent in the lostness of Petal, but to make a significant impact here, not just a small on in MS, or North America, or the place we go in the ends of the earth. We are asking the Lord to do something with us that is way beyond us that is big, huge, eternal that will require much of us! He has given us much and in Luke Jesus reminds us that much will be required.

SO this morning we are set and ready to go and now we want to ask what is the next step? Not what will we do necessarily in 2020 although we have that in mind, but what is our next step as a church and what is my next step up in my life personally in each of these areas.

We are setting before us a Vision – a mark to hit, a Goal to work towards, a challenge to rise to and it is one that is so far beyond us that it will require us to depend completely on the Lord to make it happen. We can't do it! It won't happen just because we try hard. It happens as we understand that live this life as if it all depended on us knowing that it all depends on the Lord and His Spirit.

We need a fresh vision – that everyone in our Church can embrace, understand, and can be a part of. [Proverbs 11:14](#) – “Where there is no vision the people perish.” We discovered from the Transformational

Church Assessment (which is one of the tools that we used that helped set us on the path of crafting this Vision Report) that we didn't know what our vision was and where exactly were we headed as a church and people couldn't identify that! Our prayer is that by the time we get through in 6 weeks is that everyone will know, understand, and completely embrace every aspect of Vision 2020.

The Challenge – A Renewed Vision – Transformation

We desire to be radically transformed by God into a people He can use to transform others.

It firsts start with our transformation in every area of our lives. This is the prerequisite and the requirement before we can do anything.

Once we allow the Lord to do this transformational work in our lives then the Lord can begin to use us to be a conduit, a vehicle through which He can move in the lives of people so their lives transformed as well!

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The Changed (Revised) Logo

- ✓ The Cross
- ✓ The World
- ✓ Our Name
- ✓ The Shape

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The Chart – A Transformation Journey

It's a process – it designates movement – We are never called to stand still – we are called to mature, to grow in our walk and as we do that we share the love of Christ with others and then help them walk that same path.

The Criteria

- ✓ **Connect** Yourself & Others to Christ and the Church
- ✓ **Grow** In a Deepening Relationship with Christ
- ✓ **Commit** Your Time and Resources to Serve Christ & Others
- ✓ **Go** Share the Love of Christ With Everyone Everywhere
- ✓ **Resources**
- ✓ **Praying for leaders for each of these teams**

Ministries Aligned /Targets to Look Towards/ Teams to Connect With

Our Contribution & Commitment – What is Your Next Sep

Take out Commitment Card

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- ✓ Commit to Praying every day for Vision 2020 and your part in it
- ✓ Identify and Take the Next Step in Each of the 4 Areas
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- ✓ Team Formations – Sign Ups – 4 Overall Team Leaders
- ✓ Meet Back with Our Vision 2020 Team in March to assess where we are now and what our specific next steps will be
- ✓ Begin to Implement Intentionally New Pieces of Vision 2020

(Example – Life On Mission – March 22 – April 26), Acts Message Series As well as what we are already engaged in (Indonesia Team, Shekinah Glory yesterday, plans for Petal, Toledo, OH, Haiti, and then right here with formation of some new teams as well as adding needed people to existing teams.

- ✓ Come Back with a completed Church Ministry Plan for 2015