

What follows are some recommendations, not in order of importance.

- Establish Trinity Center for World Mission (TCWM) as a 501.c.3 with its own board separate from the Session of TCCO. Space doesn't allow me to elaborate on this, but let me simply say that this recommendation is made with the belief that TCWM is going to be a national mission sending force.
- Continue pursuing discipleship – and pursue more work on the concept of Servant leadership. Expand focus into Christian leadership and stewardship.
- Schedule training in stewardship/governance for the leaders (men and women) on the various enterprise boards. We need to intentionally build in time and resources to address board governance for the PCU enterprises with which we work. It is too critical to allow this form of stewardship to be a second thought.
- Approach each summer's trip so that the elders and women leaders become more involved in organizing the conferences and classes. We must simply rely on local support more – spreading the responsibility, and accepting that God will provide.
- Pursue more deliberate and intentional pre mission training as well, for our own team.
- Send an advance person (Westerner/outsider) the week before the team comes, and pay less up front. Use ATM cards to access team funds not carried to Uganda.
- Continue providing first aid kits, but pay someone to check on them each quarter (Kiti Peter?). Find some way to get feedback on their use, so we can modify what we are providing (if necessary).
- Continue working with Dr Elisha and follow his recommendations for continued success with medical missions.
- Be intentional about getting team members on KTR for interviews and testimony.

- Add a line in the budget for:
 - Food at every location
 - Small change for team members
 - Dr. Elisha expenses
 - Contribution to Elisha's mission.
 - A certain amount for unanticipated charitable work

- Plan for some cross-culture experience at the end for new team members. This is not just a nod to their curiosity, but part of the training and experience that the team members will take back.

- Leverage more in-country NGOs, missionaries, and mission organizations, such as:
 - Uganda Bible Society,
 - Uganda Protestant Medical Board,
 - Christian Broadcasters at UCU,
 - PresAid
 - Micro Loan organizations
 - SIL

Exactly how to do this is an open question, but we need to continue to avoid denominational parochialism and seek a fellowship of believers. For example, the fact that we had pastors from many denominations attend our conference was crucial to its success – we should seek to do so next year as well.

- Visit/Crusade at Bukwo and Suam next year
- Establish a board to oversee Mpigi orphanage. Deliberate and intentional stewardship is needed there.

V. Location and Facilities

TCWM will be headquartered in Dahlonega, GA. The organization will use donated space of approximately 4,000 square feet for its Discipleship Training Center and offices and 2,000 square feet for its Hospitality House. The facility will be donated to the organization for a period of 8 years.

Welcome to Our Home—A Place for Spiritual Growth



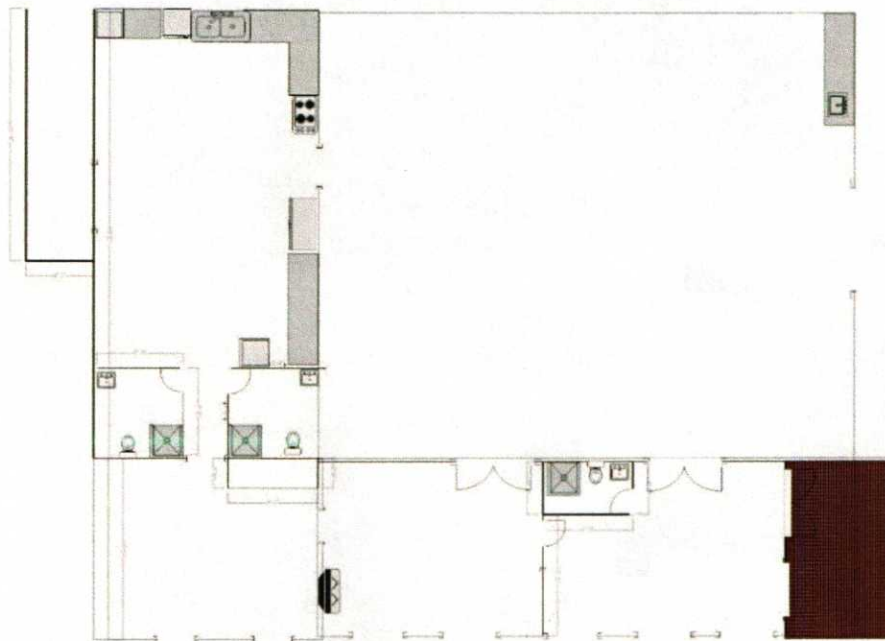
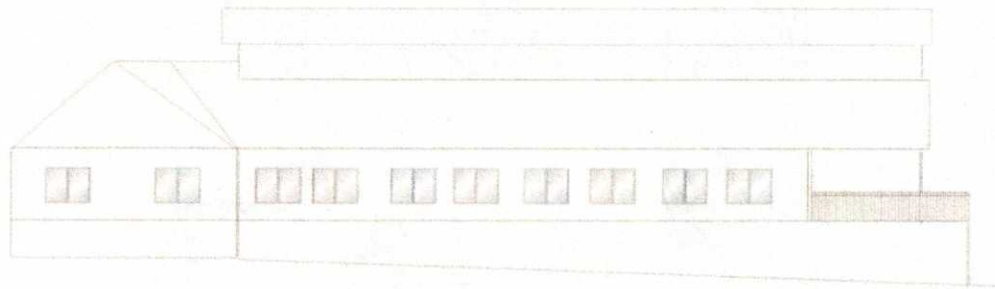
Discipleship Training Center and Offices of TCWM



Hospitality House

Plans for Renovation of Discipleship Training Center and Offices

We are adding about 2000 square feet to the barn.



Office

Fireplace

Two Classrooms

4480 square feet

We would like to build a very small Ugandan Village in the woods next to the Discipleship Training Center so that missionaries going to Uganda can get a feel or sense of how many people in Uganda actually live.



VI. Vision for the Future

What are the desired outcomes in the first ten years?

- a. TCWM will have been used by God to produce worshippers. Mission work is about worship.
- b. Disciples of our disciples will be making disciples.
- c. TCWM will have been used by God to strengthen the Presbyterian Church in Uganda.
- d. Our church plants will be planting more and more churches without significant help from TCWM.
- e. There will be at least a total of 50 churches in the 5 networks that TCWM has helped establish or encouraged.
- f. In each of our networks of churches, there will be continuing discipleship training and theological education.
- g. The PCU will have become a missionary sending denomination.
- h. There will be a thorough vetting of all candidates for the Gospel ministry.
- i. Numerous NGO's will have come alongside of our ministry so that our focus can continue to be on planting and strengthening.
- j. Administratively the ministry of TCWM will be prepared to enter the decade with new, experienced leadership.
- k. A building fund established by several years of generous giving will be available for the establishment of a permanent facility to carry forward TCWM
- l. TCWM will have a good relationship with PCU leaders, pastors and community leaders.
- m. TCWM will have a vibrant prayer ministry including a trail through the woods with various benches placed near the trail where people stop and pray for special needs in world missions.

Goals for 2014 (Draft)

- Establish a presence for TCWM; complete construction and develop a base of operations in Dahlonega -- recruit work teams
- Form board of directors and advisors
- Visit all PCA churches in N. Georgia
- Strengthen the three new churches started by our church plants
- Fundraising for mission trips and construction of next group of churches
- Vision trip to S. Sudan
- Networking with all partners
- Establish working agreement with PCU
- Prayer Requests and Prayer Partners
- Establish newsletter and refine website: trinitycwm.org
- Complete Prayer Trail in Dahlonega and install benches
- Receive our 501(c)(3) status—received December 12, 2013
- Begin process of establishing a NGO status in Uganda
- Recruit faculty for Trinity Biblical Institute for next three years—Our focus will be upon recruiting 8 PCA teaching elders and several key reformed African pastors.
- Introduce TCWM and Kairos to N. Georgia
- Apply for grants for church planting -- primarily for block machine
- Establish partnerships with those ministering in Uganda
- Complete additional church planting and peacemaking training
- Identify future church planters and help with their training, particularly at Westminster College and Theological Seminary
- Begin prayer and Kairos ministry in Dahlonega
- Produce videos of Kefa sharing insights into short term ministry in Uganda.

VII. Needs and Start Up Expenses in the U.S.

Copier	\$ 1,000
10 Tables	550
Couch and Chair	400
Desks	600
120 Chairs	4,200
20 Beds, Mattresses, Sheet Sets, Pillows, Blankets and towels	5,000
Washer, Dryer	800
Lamps	200
Refrigerator, icemaker, stove	2,000
Sound and Projection System	8,700
Initial office supplies	500
Office chairs	450
Lectern	350
35 ESV Bibles	400
Kitchen supplies and utensils	350
Internet Installation	400
Piano and amp	2,400
Wireless microphones	1,400
DVD Player	200
Large Screen for projection	1,400
Parking Lot	24,000
Total Needs and Start Up Expenses	\$55,300

Books Needed by Ugandan Pastors

TCWM would like to give each pastor in the Presbyterian Church in Uganda the following books:

1. An ESV Reformation Study Bible
2. Systematic Theology by Louis Berkhof
3. Mathew Henry Commentary in one volume
4. Westminster Confession of Faith
5. Westminster Shorter Catechism by G. I. Williamson
6. The Reformed Pastor by Richard Baxter
7. Power Preaching for Church Growth by Dave Eby
8. The Master Plan of Evangelism by Coleman
9. How to Prepare Sermons by William Evans
10. Talk through the Bible by Wilkinson and Boa
11. African Christian Ethics by Samuel Wage Kunhiyop
12. Christ of the Covenants by O. Palmer Robertson
13. Kingdom of the Cults, by Walter Martin
14. Redemption Accomplished and Applied by John Murray
15. The Sovereignty of God – by A W Pink
16. Introduction to the Old Testament - R K Harrison
17. Introduction to the New Testament - Carson & Moo

VIII. Fundraising Strategy

TCWM is a faith-based ministry. Our commitment as good stewards is to live within the bounds of what God provides.

TCWM has a number of people who have supported us in the past. Our plan is to ask them to continue and keep them informed.

In addition, we will use the following means:

- **Social Networking Online** - including email, YouTube, Facebook, and Twitter.
- **Advertising** - We use largely internet publications to inform the public regarding our needs and ministries.
- **Word-of-mouth** - Our past and prior supporters will be one of our strongest forms of advertising.
- **Website** - We have a professional and well maintained website, listing our needs and ministries, trinitycwm.org.
- **Sponsorship Program for Orphans**
- **Monthly newsletter** that shares events, pictures of victories and ways to participate.
- **Online Community** - We hope to build an online community which includes blogging, podcasting, posting boards, social networking, video blogging, webinars and wikis.
- **Church Support**
- **Networking with NGOs**
- **Grants for Start Up Expenses and Special Needs**
- **Additional staff** - As TCWM grows, we will need additional staff. They will need to help raise their support.
- **Team Support** - Each person going on one of our teams must raise a minimum of \$3000.
- **Director of Development** - We will search for a volunteer to serve in this capacity.
- **Friends of Trinity Church**
- **Mission Conferences for Local Churches**

- Other
 1. Corporate sponsors
 2. Private foundations
 3. Government support programs and services
 4. We will target potential sponsors who support:
 - Individuals in need
 - Religious organizations

IX. Statement of Faith

WE BELIEVE ...

- ...the Bible to be the inspired, the only infallible, authoritative, inerrant Word of God. (2 Timothy 3:16, 2 Peter 1:21)
- ...there is one God, eternally existent in three persons—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. (Genesis 1:1, Matthew 28:19, John 10:30)
- ...in the deity of Christ (John 10:33), His virgin birth (Isaiah 7:14, Matthew 1:23, Luke 1:35), His sinless life (Hebrews 4:15, Hebrews 7:26), His miracles (John 2:11), His vicarious and atoning death (1 Corinthians 15:3, Ephesians 1:7, Hebrews 2:9), His resurrection (John 11:25, 1 Corinthians 15:4), His ascension to the right hand of God (Mark 16:19), His personal return in power and glory (Acts 1:11, Revelation 19:11)
- ...in the absolute necessity of regeneration by the Holy Spirit for salvation because of the exceeding sinfulness of human nature; and that we are justified on the single ground of faith in the shed blood of Christ and that only by God's grace and through faith alone we are saved. (John 3:16–19, John 5:24, Romans 3:23, Romans 5:8–9, Ephesians 2:8–10, Titus 3:5)
- ...in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost—the saved to the resurrection of life, and the lost to the resurrection of condemnation. (John 5:28–29)
- ...in the spiritual unity of believers in our Lord Jesus Christ. (Romans 8:9, 1 Corinthians 12:12–13, Galatians 3:26–28)
- ...in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life. (Romans 8:13–14, 1 Corinthians 3:16, 1 Corinthians 6:19–20, Ephesians 4:30, Ephesians 5:18)
- ...marriage has been created by God, from the time of the creation of human beings, and that it is ordained and defined by Him to be the lifelong union of one man and one woman (Genesis 1-3; Matthew 19:5-6).

Note: All teachers at Trinity Biblical Institute subscribe to the Westminster Confession of Faith.

X. Prayer Retreats at TCWM: Draft of the plan to encourage pray for missions

Introduction: TCWM is pleased that you have chosen to walk the prayer trail and pray along the way. Feel free to take your time, keep your own pace, and stop to rest and enjoy being still with God along the path. Take time to listen to God, read His Word, journal.

Even Jesus went away by himself to pray. TCWM has a short trail in the woods with five stops, plus a gazebo next to the pond where you are welcome to continue your prayer. The trail is open from nine to five. It is best to wear hiking shoes or tennis shoes and to bring some water.

This is an opportunity to pray for missions and your own special time with the Lord.

As you walk, you will come to five different benches in five different locations. You can stay as long as you like.

We do ask you to sign in and sign out at the entrance of the barn.

There you will find some materials relating to prayer and missions.

If you need an assembly area, you can arrange to use our facilities. We have seating for over 100 as well as a fully equipped kitchen and restrooms.

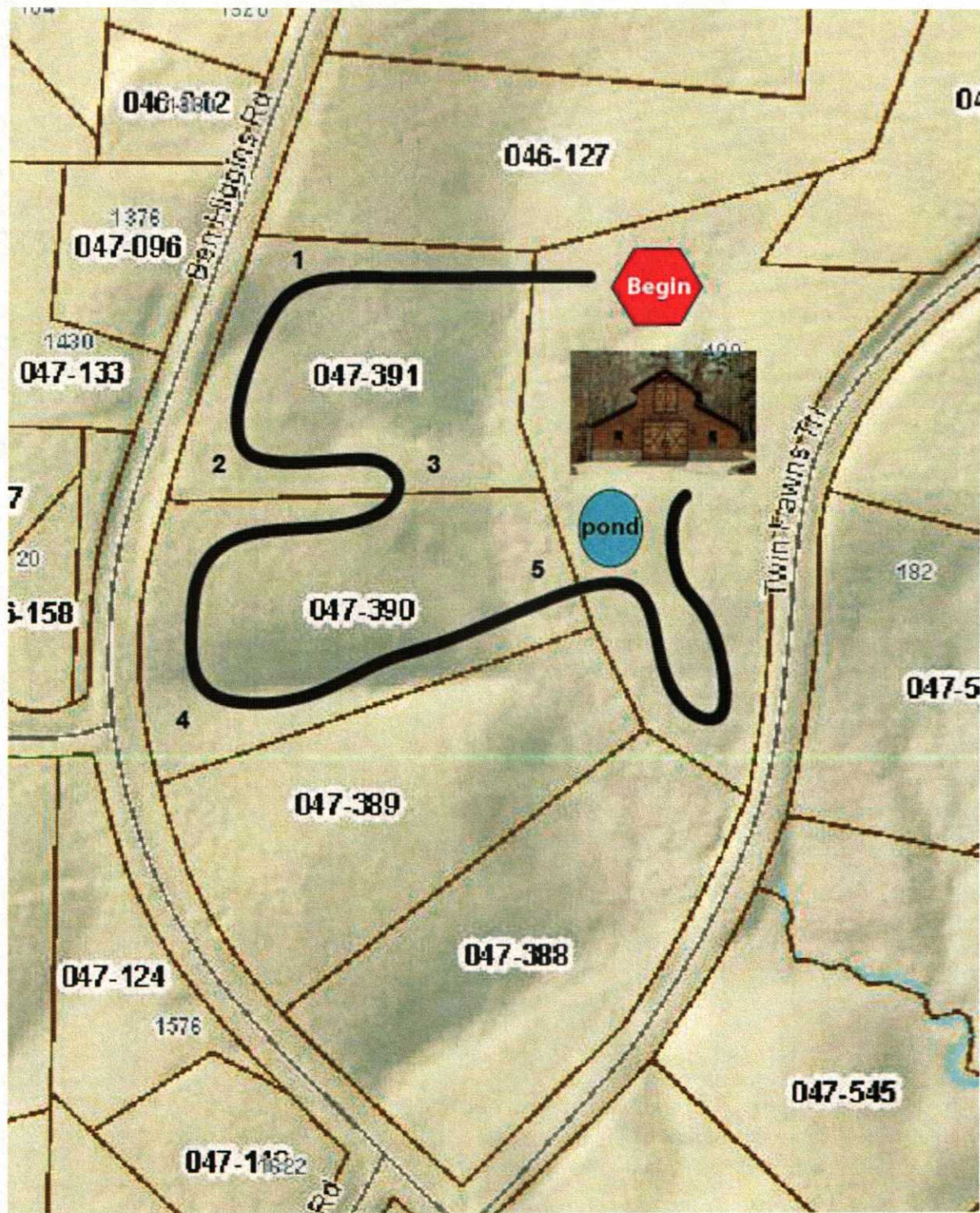
If you need someone to speak to a group regarding prayer, we will be glad to help.

Please do not park off the property. Use the designated spaces and talk to the Father.

Now that you are armed with the Word of God and a pen and paper, make your way to the back of the barn and you will see a small sign, "Prayer Trail Begins." You are on your way.



Map of Prayer Path



Here are some suggestions regarding prayer for missions:

Praying for Missions and Missionaries

Because prayer makes a difference, we urge you to keep praying for your missionaries and the work of missions worldwide. Not sure what to pray? Here are some suggestions to help you begin.

Prayers of thanksgiving which bring honor and glory to God:

- Thank God for His eternal plan of salvation.
- Thank God for His provision of salvation through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection.
- Thank God for His promise to gather His family from the nations.
- Thank God for His command and commission to the church.

Pray for the world and its peoples:

- Ask God to move mightily among the nations.
- Pray that governments and rulers act favorably toward those who desire to share the Gospel.
- Pray for those who suffer from poverty, injustice, oppression and disease.
- Pray for political and economic stability.
- Ask God to open doors for sharing the Gospel.
- Pray for the unreached and under-reached peoples.
- Pray that God's light would shine into the hearts of unbelievers.

Pray for the world-wide church and its mission:

- Pray for more workers and the resources to sustain them.
- Pray that more national churches will feel called to missions.
- Pray that new Christians will be disciplined.
- Pray that TCWM will be obedient in its God-given mission.
- Pray that TCWM will be faithful and generous in its financial support of missions.

Pray for missionaries everywhere to:

- proclaim the Gospel clearly and without bias.
- see and seize God-given opportunities to share the Gospel.
- experience God's grace increasing in their lives and work.
- hear God speaking to them and willingly and eagerly follow the Holy Spirit's leading.
- be protected from Satan and those who might wish to harm them.
- see and seek God-glorifying results.
- experience good emotional, spiritual, physical health.
- have healthy relationships with their families, missionaries, and national colleagues.
- be appropriately sensitive toward and in adapting to other cultures.
- have clear vision and great joy in mission tasks while keeping their eyes focused on God.
- to show the fruits of the Spirit.
- experience protection from loneliness, discouragement, and depression.
- have excellent relationships with North American supporters.
- reflect integrity and holiness.

Bible Verses on Prayer:

"The Lord is far from the wicked but he hears the prayer of the righteous" (*Prov. 15:29*).

"Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you (*Jeremiah 29:12*).

"My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message" (*John 17:20*).

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, with prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus"(*Phil. 4:6-7*).

"We pray this in order that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and may please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God, being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience, and joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the Kingdom of Light" (*Col. 1:10-12*).

HOW TO REVITALIZE YOUR PRAYER LIFE

I. APPROACH PRAYER WITH THE RIGHT ATTITUDE. *(Matthew 6:5-8)*

•BE REAL

(Matthew 6:5) "And when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by men. I tell you the truth, they have received their reward in full.

•BE RELAXED

(Matthew 6:6) But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.

•BE REVEALING

(Matthew 6:7-8) And when you pray, do not keep on babbling like pagans, for they think they will be heard because of their many words. {8} Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

II. USE THE MODEL JESUS GAVE US

*Matt. 6:9-15 "This, then, is **HOW** you should pray ..."*

THE SIX PARTS OF PRAYER

1. PRAISE: BEGIN WITH PRAISE

"Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name .."

TWO KINDS OF PRAISE:

- "ADORATION" - Praising God for *who he is*.
- "THANKSGIVING"- Praising God for *what he has done*.

(Psa 100:4) Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.

HOW TO PRAISE GOD:

1st: As you read your Bible, make a list of God's character qualities that you discover and then review them when you pray. *(See Prayer Guide 1)*

Examples:

God is patient	Num. 14:18
God is merciful	Num. 14:18
God is forgiving	Num. 14:18
God knows everything	1 Sam. 2:2
God is loving	1 John 4:8

KEY: God's character is the basis for our boldness in making requests in prayer. God answers the prayers that acknowledge who he is!

2nd: Remind yourself and affirm the promises God has made that are contained in the meaning of his names. (See *Prayer Guide 2*)

3rd: Make a list of all that you are thankful for and review them when you pray. (See *Prayer Guide 3*)

2. PURPOSE: COMMIT YOURSELF TO GOD'S PURPOSE AND GOD'S WILL FOR YOUR LIFE .

"Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven ..."

Pray for God's will to be done ... in your family ... your church ... your ministry ... your job ... your future ... your city ... your nation ... the world.

(Romans 12:1-2) Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God--this is your spiritual act of worship. {2} Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is--his good, pleasing and perfect will.

3. PROVISION: ASK GOD TO PROVIDE FOR YOUR NEEDS .

*"Give us today our **daily** bread ..."*

What needs do you have? _____

(Philippians 4:19) And my God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.

(Romans 8:32) He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all--how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things?

(James 4:2) You want something but don't get it. You kill and covet, but you cannot have what you want. You quarrel and fight. You do not have, because you do not ask God.

THE KEY: Prayer is my personal declaration of dependence upon God.

Write down your requests, with a promise you are claiming from the Bible, and expect an answer! (See *Prayer Guide 4*)

(Philippians 4:6) Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

4. PARDON: ASK GOD TO FORGIVE YOUR SINS.

"Forgive us our debts ..."

4 Steps to Forgiveness

1. Ask the Holy Spirit to reveal every sin.

(Psa 139:23-24) Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. {24} See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

2. Confess each sin specifically.

(Prov 28:13) He who conceals his sins does not prosper, but whoever confesses and renounces them finds mercy.

3. Make restitution to others when necessary.

(Mat 5:23-24) "Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, {24} leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to your brother; then come and offer your gift.

4. By faith, accept God's forgiveness.

(1 John 1:9) If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

5. PEOPLE: PRAY FOR OTHER PEOPLE.

"... as we have also forgive our debtors."

(1 Timothy 2:1) I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone--

If you want to know how to pray for others ..._look at Paul's prayers:
Eph. 1:15-19, Col. 1:3-12, 1 Th. 1:2-3, 2 Th. 1:11-12

Make a prayer list of people you want to pray for. You might pray for different people on different days of the week. *(See Prayer Guide #5)*

6. PROTECTION: ASK FOR SPIRITUAL PROTECTION.

"And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from the evil one." (vs. 13)

Believers face a spiritual battle every day. Satan wants to defeat you through temptation and fear. By praying for protection, you will have the confidence to face every situation during the day.

(1 John 4:4) You, dear children, are from God and have overcome them, because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world.

PRAYER GUIDE 1 CHARACTER TRAITS OF GOD

**Faithful
Righteous
The Light**

**2 Cor 1: 20
2Tim 4: 8
John 8: 12**

PRAYER GUIDE 2 THE NAMES OF GOD

Did you know that God has several names? They are all in the Bible and each name describes a facet of his character. You can take each of these 8 names and focus individually on what God is really like! Pray the names of God as affirmations of praise!

8 HEBREW NAMES OF GOD - DECLARE WHO GOD IS

Jehovah-Shammah- "God is Present with me" (Ezekial 48:35)
You are here! I am never alone!

Jehovah-Rohi- "God is my Shepherd" (Psalm 23:1)
You lead me and feed me and protect me!

Jehovah-Jireh- "God is my Provider" (Gen. 22:14)
You see what I need before I even ask!

Jehovah-Rophe- "God is my Healer" (Exodus 15:26)
You can heal my body, emotions, and relationships!

Jehovah-Tsidkenu- "God is my Righteousness" (Jer. 23:6)
You accept me and forgive me because of Jesus!

Jehovah-M'Kiddish- "God is my Sanctification" (Lev. 20:8)
You make me holy and like Jesus!

Jehovah-Shalom- "God is my Peace" (Judges 6:24)
You give me peace in spite of circumstances!

Jehovah-Nissi- "God is my Banner" (Exodus 17:15)
You are my victory in conflict and confrontation!

Think on the implications of these names and you'll have plenty to praise God for!

PRAYER GUIDE 3
MY THANKSGIVING LIST

PRAYER GUIDE 4
MY PERSONAL REQUESTS

Date	Request	Promise	Date Answered
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PRAYER GUIDE 5
PEOPLE I'M PRAYING FOR

Family _____

Christian Friends _____

Friends I'd like to see become Christians _____

Spiritual Leaders _____

Government Leaders _____

Others _____

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APPENDICES

Appendix 1

Advisors and Proposed Advisors

ADVISORS

Dr. Elisha Birikire—Dr. Elisha for many years was the head physician at our clinic in Kaserem. Each year he oversees our mobile medical mission work and assists us in buy medicines. Dr. Elisha has worked with us almost ten years and now has his own private practice as well as an outreach to orphans and prisoners.

Pastor Bob Hayes—Bob is a leader in the African Christian Training Institute, a retired PCA pastor, with a tremendous love for Uganda, where he has ministered for many years. He is a servant leader.

Pastor Fred Kabenge—Pastor Fred is the Coordinator at the Secretariat Office of the Presbyterian Church in Uganda. He is a longtime friend and professor at Westminster College and Seminary; Pastor Fred is also a graduate of Westminster Seminary in California with a Master of Arts in Biblical Studies (MABS). Each week I generally email him a couple of times.

Dr. Henry Krabbendam—Founder of African Christian Training Institute

Bruce Cheadle—Bruce is a man of prayer and great generosity. He loves to serve God and has come to Uganda many times. He is a man who has gone through good times and very difficult, painful times and in both he has given glory to Christ.

Dr. Jim Sutherland—Director of RMNI Ministries and Missionary to South Sudan. He is a man who has gone where others would not go. He is a faithful PCA teaching elder. See <http://www.rmni.org/>

PROPOSED ADVISORS

Pastor Wyatt George—Wyatt is the founder of the TentMakers Project. Pastor George has been a minister in the Presbyterian Church (RPCES and PCA) for over 35 years. He has a heart for mercy ministry and a passion for the church. The TentMaker Project brings these two passions together in a wonderful way. The TentMaker Project grew out of the needs that Pastor Wyatt George of Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Carbondale, Ill. saw during a visit to Uganda in 1999. Congregations of the Presbyterian Church in Uganda were languishing for years with poor members, make-shift buildings, and unpaid pastors. The mission of the TentMaker Project has been to alleviate poverty in the church and meet family needs.

Melvin Mow—Executive Vice President and Chief Credit Officer of First Hawaiian Bank. Mel has not been to Uganda, but he has the best insights regarding stewardship of anyone I know.

Pastor Rashid Luswa—Rashid is the representative in Uganda of ACTI; he is a pastor, entrepreneur, builder, lover of orphans, and the man to call when you have a crisis in Uganda

Dr. Kefa Sempangi—Kefa is the founder of the Presbyterian Church in Uganda, and a former member of Parliament; he is also a graduate of Westminster Theological Seminary in Philadelphia. He has extensive experience in church planting and government service. He is also a very talented artist. He lived next to me at Westminster Seminary 40 years ago.

Hal Jones—President and CEO of Global Hope Network International. Hal has been my friend for about 30 years and almost every year comes to HI and speaks at Trinity. TCCO supports his work. Hal and I used to be leaders of a group called the Oahu Association of Evangelicals.

Al Baker--- Pastor Al Baker is an ordained minister in the Presbyterian Church in America and has been in the ministry for 25 years. A graduate of the University of Alabama, he received his Master of Divinity degree from Reformed Theological Seminary in Jackson, MS. Pastor Baker has been actively involved in foreign missions to Central America, Africa, The British Isles, Asia and the Far East. He is a regular contributor to Come Follow magazine (Presbyterian Evangelistic Fellowship). Al and his wife, Wini, have been married over 35 years and have three grown children. Pastor Baker is the director of The Alabama Church Planting Network and an Evangelistic Revival Preacher with Presbyterian Evangelistic Fellowship. He has started a radio ministry called "Between Two Worlds" - a daily, fifteen-minute program designed to instruct and challenge you to seek God for a mighty movement of His Spirit in our day.

Appendix 2

Proposed Partnerships

PROPOSED PARTNERSHIPS

Note: We have no legal partnership with any of these organizations. These are simply part of the network of friends and contacts that we have as we seek to minister in various parts of the world.

1. Presbyterian Church in Uganda
2. Trinity Church Central Oahu
3. Mission to the World and PCA Missionaries in Uganda
4. Reconciliation Ministries Network, Inc.
5. African Christian Training Institute
6. Global Hope Network International
7. Words of Hope
8. Rafiki African Ministries
9. Reformed University Fellowship
10. Various Water Ministries
11. Kairos
12. The TentMaker Project
13. Westminster College and Theological Seminary in Uganda
14. African Bible College
15. Third Millennium Ministries
16. Uganda Bible Society
17. Uganda Protestant Medical Board
18. PresAid

Appendix 3

Report of Pastor Pete Anderson Regarding TCWM's Plan to Minimize Dependence

ROUGH DRAFT

By Pastor Pete Anderson

It is humbling to work in Uganda; all of us are learning and we need to be teachable. We can learn so much from the Ugandans and other missionaries.

Most missionaries do not want to create dependence; they sometimes talk about not helping anyone financially. But generally the needs are so great, sometimes they cannot resist helping; the needs are in our face and the Lord gives us a heart to help, but we must learn to help without doing damage.

Americans grow up with money, much more money than typical Africans. Many Africans that we desire to reach have rarely dealt with money. They barter and trade, but often have little experience in handling money, saving money, budgeting, or accountability.

When it comes to America, much of the aid to Africa over the years has been wasted. In contrast, TCWM can do much better.

As a starting point, each director and team member of TCWM needs to read the following three books:

When Helping Hurts by Steve Corbett and Brian Fikkert

Toxic Charity by Robert D. Lupton

African Friends and Money Matters by David Maranz

Over the years, TCWM has been involved in many ministries, including drilling wells, building toilets, church construction, school construction, a clinic and orphanages. These were obvious needs in the places where we were called to minister.

Why do we build church buildings? Why are these necessary? Why not simply preach and let the Africans build their own buildings? Church buildings are helpful in Uganda for the same reasons that they are helpful in America.

Another reason we have built church buildings is that there are few successful models of Ugandans developing self-sustaining churches over a period of years without buildings. In Western Uganda, some missionaries worked for two decades and have left behind congregations who meet under trees. In recent years, these preaching points have dwindled from 22 to 12 or less. (We need to research this more and learn from the experience of others, lest we fall into the trap of forgetting that our primary mission focuses on discipleship.) In contrast, in Kapchorwa, where we have built buildings, the churches are continuing and planting other churches.

Another reason we have helped construct buildings has to do with the areas where TCWM has worked. When we arrived in Kapchorwa 17 years ago, there were no paved roads; some people had never seen a book; money was very scarce; most people were unemployed; there had been times of drought; many had died from AIDS. It usually rained every year and some years the roads were impassable. The buildings provided a dry place to gather, develop community and provided locals with a few jobs. (Generally our buildings are not elaborate—they take about 10-12 weeks to construct.)

There are two rainy seasons each year in Uganda, called short and long rains.

- **Short Rains:** April to May of the year accompanied by fantastic thunderstorms.
- **Long Rains:** September to November and once again often there is a thunderstorm with it. Usually it is during the night or early morning, by 10 am the sun is out. In 2012 the long rains arrived early.

Rains and cold weather in the winter and at higher altitudes can easily disrupt worship and discipleship. Our buildings enable year round worship. Over the years, we have more and more turned construction over to the presbytery and local congregations. (All our funding is sent through the Office of the Secretariat of the PCU). In our most recent church construction, Serere Presbyterian Church, the construction was completed almost entirely by members of the congregation. The cost was almost one third of other churches and the building was bigger and stronger; now the local community sees this as the work of the community.

We have encouraged each church to contribute to the labor and funds for the buildings. Most of the churches in Kapchorwa contributed 2 million shillings to have stucco put on the inside and outside of their buildings. Others are still raising funds.

All the churches in Kapchorwa and Gulu are self-supporting; some have great needs, but others seem to be doing well financially. In Gulu we still want to finish the orphanage we started, but the plan is to quickly turn it over to the PCU and Grace Church.

In the early days of a church plant, we help with land, a tarp, and benches.

What about financial support of pastors? We have helped each of the pastors in Kapchorwa with a microenterprise so that they can develop some independence and support for their families. We have regularly taught on the subject of tithing. We have supported some pastors up to \$50 per month for two years, but not in recent years.

In the future I suspect that we will favor microloans rather than grants. In future years, we hope to work with Pastor Wyatt George and The TentMakers Project so that loan programs for community development can occur. There are many opportunities through small loans to help the poor without hurting the poor. These include tailoring, motorcycle repair, fruit and vegetable stands, solar lighting, piggery, bread baking, bicycle shop, crafts, bottled water, firewood, wedding dress shop, etc. At the end of this article we have a draft application called, "Project Independence."

One of our great needs is for the leadership of TCWM to visit church and community leaders in each of the cities and villages. We need to spend time with them and listen.

As we think about the future, we want to offer guidance and expertise in terms of construction, but our African brothers and sisters must do the work. At this point we have very good plans for a rural church, a city church and a primary school. We are in the process of purchasing a block machine that we plan to loan to each congregation that desires to build. We hope to inspire and mobilize indigenous leaders to see many possibilities in their communities.

There are times when the wise use of money can be of great benefit. In our experience, we were glad to help:

- Orphans who live on the street with nothing.
- Snake bite victims who are about to die.
- Pregnant mothers who have no place to give birth.
- Land for a PCU church
- Loan of tools for construction
- Benches but not chairs for a new church
- Some conference expenses, but not presbytery meetings
- Seminary fees and related travel fees, but not for family members
- Funds for medicines and medical care—God has used us to save many lives and this has been a great witness.

One of the hardest decisions is school fees. Many children cannot afford to go to school. Should we begin a search for sponsors? Generally we do not help, but there are rare exceptions. In this area, our focus has been on sponsoring students for theological education.

We have decided not to fund the following:

- Clothing
- Plastic Chairs
- Repair of sound systems
- Grants
- Transportation to presbytery meetings
- Bibles (we will sell them at a discounted price of \$2.00)
- Long term care of orphans
- Further repair of church buildings except the stucco and floor projects.

We are learning, but often the going is tough. It appears that many in government work are corrupt. We do not pay bribes. Often we do not know enough to make wise decisions regarding many issues, e.g. mosquito nets, care of widows, seed for planting, and much more. We must learn. This whole path to help the poor is filled with possible corruption, jealousy and division.

Guiding principles from Robert D. Lupton:

1. Never do for the poor what they have (or could have) the capacity to do for themselves.
2. Limit one-way giving to emergency situations.
3. Strive to empower the poor through employment, lending, and investing, using grants sparingly to reinforce achievements.
4. Subordinate self-interests to the needs of those being served.
5. Listen closely to those you seek to help, especially to what is not being said—unspoken feelings may contain essential clues to effective service.
6. Above all, do no harm.

Without Christ, we can do nothing.

The TentMaker Project

Micro-Economic Development Through the Church

By Pastor Wyatt George

VILLAGE LIFT UP

In the Name and Power of Christ!

The TentMaker Project (TMP) is a Christian, humanitarian service that operates in **Uganda**, East Africa. It extends micro-loans to entrepreneurs in Presbyterian churches. Entire villages are lifted up by improving spiritual and economic well-being. Ugandan leaders do this deed ministry on the ground. This program involves Christ's redemption, economic and community development. Here is its working sequence in the usual order of priority.

Sequence of Ministry

1. Presbytery holds all-village meetings, supported by village Chief, to call all to help identify village needs, believe the Gospel.
2. Presbytery forms a church and disciples new believers, or works with existing churches.
3. TMP Lends quality, treated seeds to farmers in the village to see who is faithful in production [does not eat or sell them, or be negligent].
4. TMP Builds skills and knowledge by training church leaders and loan recipients in the stewardship and business principles of the Bible. The trainer is Ugandan Ed Kasaija.
5. TMP Builds an animal facility, stocks it, and demonstrates the best-known animal care and multiplication of the stock.
6. TMP makes animal in-kind loans to qualified recipients who will repay to The TentMaker project in-kind when the animals multiply.
7. The church builds a medical clinic, seeks equipping, stocking of meds, and staffing.

8. TMP helps implement value-added processes [i.e., milling of corn] and makes marketing plans for the farmers and animal raisers.
9. The church develops a school for the children's education.
10. The church/village develops water, sewage, and other infrastructure needs.
11. The church calls everyone to faith and repentance, bringing hope in Christ as applied to all of community life.

TMP supporters can be involved in all 11 steps. Your sponsorship or participation in portions of the above is welcome.

The above items speak how the plan is working Ntenjeru Village, 40 miles East of Kampala, the Capital City. As of the end of 2011, success is seen in steps 1-6 with progress on 7-11, especially 11 (water). This village is rising out of the pit pessimism, disease, poverty, and hopelessness. Key to it all is a church that focuses on the redemption and teaching of Jesus Christ.

At Kiyola Village, near Ntenjeru, the process is well underway. At a third village, Seeta-Nazigo, the process is also under way, and now by the end of 2011, a fourth village, where ministry has just begun. All have assigned pastors and church planting is in process.

Partners

The TentMaker Project is privileged to do the economic development part through our Ugandan friends and our US financial and prayer supporters.

Quality leadership, from within Ugandan churches, is our main African partnership, and every loan recipient that is a success story adds to the depth of that partnership.

Recently, Churches and Villages Together (Virginia) has joined with TMP to help. The Kampala Presbytery does the church-planting. The Village Chief with his/her Council is always supportive.

We also invite your interest, prayer, and economic support, even your visit to Uganda to see the operation. 95% of every dollar given by US supporters goes into these projects including the training of leaders and recipients. Go with us, enjoy African hospitality, and put your talents to work.

Goals

We must double our US support base from the present 13 US churches and 100 individuals. We want to share the privilege of doing this beneficial word and deed ministry, for the need in Uganda is vast.

We plan in 2012 to 2013 to expand our micro-loan program to three other groups of Presbyterian churches.

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* TMP is a mission of Grace Presbyterian Church (PCA) of Carbondale, Illinois, is governed by a national Board, W George, Exec Secretary. Grace is a member of Iliana Presbytery. Mr. George is available for presentations. DVDs of the work are available.

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Project Independence

TCWM Microloan Program

We care about you and the needs of your family. In order to qualify for a loan of \$100-\$250, you will be required to present a proposal first to the elders and deacons of your church. When you submit your proposal, it may take about a month to approve. If they approve your application, they will send it to my church. We may send the first application back to you with additional ideas and suggestions. Please fill out the following form:

MY PLAN: _____

AMOUNT I AM REQUESTING _____

LENGTH OF LOAN AND REPAYMENT PLAN

1. Describe your business plan. What do you plan to do? What is your experience in this area? Will you have a partner in this business? **We especially recommend raising maize and pigs, but there are many other opportunities.**

2. If you fail in this project, what will be the reason why? What obstacles do you anticipate?

3. Who have you consulted about this plan? What is your experience?

4. With your loan, how much money do you hope to make and who will help you? How long will it take for you to make a profit?

4. Please list your present debts?

6. Have you prayed about this project? _____

7. Is your wife/husband in agreement with this project? _____

8. Provide below the names of three men or women who know you and have had a similar project and believe that your project will result in a successful business.

8. Do you agree to tithe on the profits of your business and also to send me a report every three months for one year regarding your progress? I would appreciate pictures of your project and also of your wife and family.

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9. Do you agree to spend the funds only on the project? **NOTE: THIS PROJECT IS NOT FOR SCHOOL FEES OR NEEDS IN YOUR HOME; YOU ARE EXPECTED TO WORK HARD AND START A BUSINESS.**
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10. Do you agree to refuse any further financial help from foreigners? The goal is to financial support your family and be independent from the funds of foreigners forever!!! God can help you become a successful businessman or businesswoman. _____

11. Are you hiding some secret sin that would prevent God's blessing on your new business? If you are repent and press on.

12. Will you promise to attend our conference on microenterprise? _____

13. Does your pastor believe this is a good business with the expectation of success? _____

14. We will send someone to see your progress after three months; they will come and photograph the project and send me a report. Is this OK? Will you cooperate with him?

I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS IS A LOAN AND THAT I AM EXPECTED TO PAY THE FUNDS BACK TO MY CHURCH SO THAT OTHERS WILL HAVE A SIMILAR OPPORTUNITY.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Appendix 4

Initial Suggestions Regarding the Ministry of the Board Directors

How Can Our Board of Directors Best Contribute to the Work of TCWM

1. Prayer
2. Networking
3. Development of Policies—Financial, Partnerships, TBI (Trinity Biblical Institute)
4. Financial Oversight
5. Special Projects—Startup Expenses, Van and Block Machine
6. Go on Mission Trips and Vision Trips
7. Training and Teaching
8. Use of your resources—what do you have that you can make available in the work of discipleship.
9. Developing partnerships with US churches
10. Development of the Discipleship Training Center in Dahlonaga; bring your family and friends for a week of fellowship and adopt a work project
11. Additions to Facebook and Web page, trinitycwm.org
12. Ownership of the Mission of TCWM
13. Enlist those with skills who might be willing to go on a mission trip---nurses, paramedics, doctors, teaching elders, ruling elders, deacons, dentists, children's workers, youth pastors, women's ministry....cooks....
14. Prayer for staff and interns
15. Invite Mission Committees to Visit TCWM for a week for training including Kairos.
16. Sponsors for orphans and seminary students

17. Support for Martha in my absence

18. See the list of needs and the books that pastor's need

19. Development of the African Village

20. We have three churches that would like to start Christian elementary schools.
They need direction and counsel, particularly regarding curriculum.

Appendix 5

Why will TCWM Focus on Discipleship?

THE PRIORITY OF DISCIPLESHIP IN MISSIONS

A Message by Pastor Pete Anderson

Based on a book by Kevin DeYoung and Greg Gilbert

Matthew 28: 16-20

What is the primary mission of the church? What are we sent by God to do? What is the main thing churches must do? Is it to work for world peace? Feed the hungry? Heal the sick? Work for social justice? Minister to orphans and widows? Relieve suffering?

All of these are important and good things. But what is the most important task of the church given by its Head and King, the Lord Jesus?

Recently I started reading a book by Kevin DeYoung and Greg Gilbert. The following statement represents their view of the mission of the church. "The mission of the church is to go into the world and make disciples by declaring the gospel of Jesus Christ in the power of the Spirit and gathering these disciples into churches, that they might worship the Lord and obey his commands now and in eternity to the glory of God the Father."

The church is sent into the world to witness to Jesus by proclaiming the gospel and making disciples of all nations. This is our main task; this is our unique and central calling.

So the question is: Is this the major mission of your church, or how are you supporting this mission?

If you observe some churches, their major mission seems to be fellowship—eating food together. Others focus on music, others on many programs, the end of the world, charismatic gifts, spiritual gifts, prosperity, entertainment, and a host of projects and ministries.

Some sadly do nothing in way of discipling the nations. Today in America it takes 100 church attendees, a pastor, and 100,000 a year to win one convert.

Today I want you to become excited about discipleship! I want you to go away convinced that you **MUST** make disciples. I want you to come to the place where every activity of our church is seen in its relationship to the central mission of the church, discipleship. This includes men's groups, women's groups, Sunday School, youth programs—everything.

My hope is that Trinity Church will become a discipling factory! Today as we study this passage, I hope that your heart will be awakened—that you will begin to see yourself as a discipling maker. I hope that you will begin to look at your life through a new lens.

How can we do this? How can you get excited about this mission?

We must go to the Bible. You must see that this focus on discipleship is taught in Scripture and particularly you must see that this is the primary command of Jesus to His church.

Perhaps you have never thought of this, but discipleship is largely what Jesus spent his life on earth doing and as those who follow in his steps, we must be busy imitating Him and following in His footsteps.

So we begin by examining Christ's Great Commissions in each of the four gospels: (Note: Not great commission)

1. *Matthew 28:16-20* ¹⁶Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. ¹⁸And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in^[a] the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Now let's think about the context here: If you knew you had one last opportunity to speak to your family and loved ones, if you knew that your time to go on to Heaven was near through illness or you were advanced in age, what message would you leave with those you loved most? What challenge would assist them in seeing clearly the responsibility and challenge of their lives? And what encouragement would stimulate them to accept it?

The Resurrected Lord had such an opportunity to share with His disciples. Jesus had sacrificially died and miraculously risen from the dead. He has one last opportunity to give His disciples instructions. He had recently burst forth in new power from the grave. Now this victorious king having died for sins, having defeated Satan and firmly established his kingdom comes to his disciples.

Jesus gathers his disciples on a mountain in Galilee to tell them something very important. Verse 17 tells us the disciples response to seeing Jesus, the resurrected Lord of Life. "And when they saw Him, they worshiped Him; but some were doubtful."

The fact that they worshipped Him is very significant. When they saw Jesus, they worshiped Him.

Who is Jesus? He is God Almighty. He has all power in Heaven and earth. He is the creator and sustainer of the Universe. He is the resurrection and the life.

So, what was their response? They worshiped him! The men who knew Jesus best worshiped Him. These disciples spent day and night with Him for three years. They had seen Him perform miracles. They had listened carefully to his teaching, and been discipled by Him. They had seen Him face tremendous challenges of opportunity and opposition. They had seen Him when things were going well and when things were going poorly. They had seen Him when circumstances and enemies were closing in around Him. They had seen him beaten, crucified, dead, buried and now risen.

These men, these Jewish men, for whom the First and Second Commandments forbid giving worship to any but the One True God, fell down and worshiped Jesus. Worship is reserved for the Lord God alone.

Notice that as they bowed in worship that some were doubtful. Jesus was still working in their hearts. We remember particularly Thomas the doubter. He was one who had to see to believe. He had to see and touch the wounds of the cross and crown and sword. And when he did that, he declared, "My Lord and my God."

Verse 18 continues, And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth." Jesus begins their commission and our commission with a claim: "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth."

We have here the fulfillment of Daniel's prophecy centuries earlier, when the Prophet spoke of Jesus, "Son of Man" in this way.

Daniel 7:13b-14 ".....and he came to the Ancient of Days and was presented before him. ¹⁴ And to him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him; his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom one that shall not be destroyed."

Jesus has been given dominion over the universe. This authority is the basis for everything else that follows in this text. His authority over heaven and earth means that Jesus is not just your personal Lord and Savior. Jesus died on the cross and rose from the grave, and now He is exalted at the Father's right hand as the Lord over all creation.

Philippians 2: 9-11 speaks to this truth very clearly:

Philippians 2:9-11 ⁹ Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

One day every knee is going to bow and every tongue is going to confess, "Jesus is Lord"—that is a guarantee. So the question for all of us is this: "Will you confess Jesus as Lord now, or will you confess Him as Lord when it is too late?"

What we see here that Jesus is more than your personal Lord and Savior. Jesus is the universal Lord and Savior over all. Jesus came to save people from every nation and tongue and tribe.

In Revelation 7:9-12 we have the picture of a great multitude from every nation before the throne of Jesus:

The Apostle John writes:

⁹ After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, ¹⁰ and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹ And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they

fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹² saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Now think of these first disciples. They did not grow up with a global mission, a sense of a worldwide task. They grew up loving the nation of Israel. They followed a Jewish Messiah. But now they are given a worldwide purpose.

This is not the first time Jesus has brought this up. Throughout His training program, Jesus was intent on showing His Jewish disciples that He was not simply their Lord and King, but Lord and King over all nations. Throughout Matthew's Gospel we see Jesus' universal lordship.

Today, we must remember what he taught them about His Lordship—because this is going to be important the rest of your life. The question will be one day, "Does Jesus have authority to tell me what to do?"

You see, I do not want you leaving saying that Pete said so and so. I want you to hear from Jesus....to closing think about His life and commands. So what right does Jesus have to tell you what to do with your life? What does it mean that Jesus has been given all authority in heaven and earth.

It means this:

1. Jesus has authority over nature and nations.

Jesus calmed the sea with a rebuke in 8:26, showing His mastery over nature.

Matthew 8:26 ²⁶ And he said to them, "Why are you afraid, O you of little faith?" Then he rose and rebuked the winds and the sea, and there was a great calm.

His authority over nations is one of the central themes of the Great Commission, since all peoples are to be His disciples.

2. Jesus has authority over disease and demons. When Jesus speaks, the blind see, the lame walk, lepers are healed, and disease is gone.

Matthew 4:23-24 ²³ And he went throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction among the people. ²⁴ So his fame spread throughout all Syria, and they brought him all the sick, those afflicted with various diseases and pains, those oppressed by demons, epileptics, and paralytics, and he healed them.

He speaks and the demons flee.

Matthew 8:28-34 ²⁸ And when he came to the other side, to the country of the Gadarenes,^[a] two demon-possessed^[b] men met him, coming out of the tombs, so fierce that no one could pass that way. ²⁹ And behold, they cried out, "What have you to do with us, O Son of God? Have you

come here to torment us before the time?" ³⁰ Now a herd of many pigs was feeding at some distance from them. ³¹ And the demons begged him, saying, "If you cast us out, send us away into the herd of pigs." ³² And he said to them, "Go." So they came out and went into the pigs, and behold, the whole herd rushed down the steep bank into the sea and drowned in the waters. ³³ The herdsmen fled, and going into the city they told everything, especially what had happened to the demon-possessed men. ³⁴ And behold, all the city came out to meet Jesus, and when they saw him, they begged him to leave their region.

3. Jesus has authority over sin and death. As the Son of God, Jesus has authority to forgive sin against God.

Matthew 9:1-7 ¹ And getting into a boat he crossed over and came to his own city. ² And behold, some people brought to him a paralytic, lying on a bed. And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "Take heart, my son; your sins are forgiven." ³ And behold, some of the scribes said to themselves, "This man is blaspheming." ⁴ But Jesus, knowing^[a] their thoughts, said, "Why do you think evil in your hearts? ⁵ For which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise and walk'? ⁶ But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins"—he then said to the paralytic—"Rise, pick up your bed and go home." ⁷ And he rose and went home.

4. Jesus also has authority to overcome man's ultimate enemy, death which is the payment for sin.

Matthew 28:1-10 ¹ Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ² And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³ His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. ⁴ And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. ⁵ But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. ⁶ He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he^[a] lay. ⁷ Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you." ⁸ So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹ And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshiped him. ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me."

Now what does this say about our mission? It tells us that our mission is given by the One who has all authority in heaven and earth. He is the Lord, the boss. This means that we serve King Jesus, the Head of the Church, and as such He has authority to issue commands, commands that must be obeyed.

Again, what is happening here? Jesus is stating His authority, and then He issues the mission based on His authority. This means that our mission was given to us by the King of the universe.

Our mission comes from Jesus. He was sent by the Father to complete a mission. On the cross He declares that his mission is finished. The price for our redemption has been paid. And now Jesus is sending his disciples on a mission.

5. Jesus has authority over your life.

Jesus' authority extends to every individual, which for us means a dying to self.

Matthew 16:24-25 ²⁴ Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. ²⁵ For whoever would save his life^[a] will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.

For the believer, there should be a glad submission to the Lordship of Jesus.

This means, in relation to the Great Commission in Matthew 28: 18-20, that we must be open to whatever the Lord calls us to, including serving Him in another cultural context.

6. Jesus has authority over every life on the planet. Jesus has authority over every life in the world and that is why we seek to make disciples of all nations.

Matthew 25:31-33 ³¹ "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. ³² Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. ³³ And he will place the sheep on his right, but the goats on the left.

It is Jesus' authority that compels us to go, for missions only make sense if He has all authority in heaven and on earth.

Why must we go into the world? It is because he is worthy. It is because Jesus is worthy of the worship of every person on the planet. We go because we want everyone in the world to confess Jesus as Lord. We want the world to bow down in worship. We look forward to the day when every tribe and tongue and people and nation gather around our God to give Him the global glory that He is due.

Further, Jesus authority gives us the confidence to go.

Whether we go around the world or to our coworkers, we have the wonderful words of life. We have words of hope, good, transforming news of the Gospel, a message that fits reality.

We have a message of victory, a message that offers eternal life based on the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

What does not make sense is millions of Christians sitting back and saying nothing to the nations.

Romans 1:16-18 ¹⁶ For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. ¹⁷ For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith,^[a] as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith."^[b]

You have the Gospel, the words of life. Christ's mission on earth will succeed. His authority and power guarantee success.

In Matthew 24: 14, Jesus gives this guarantee: "This good news of the kingdom will be proclaimed in all the world as a testimony to all nations. And then the end will come.

I. Jesus' Authority

II. Jesus' Command

After clearly establishing His authority over heaven and earth, the next words out of Jesus' mouth are, "Go, therefore"

i.e. In light of my authority, go.

Here is the full command: *Matthew 28:19-20* ¹⁹ *Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in^[a] the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,* ²⁰ *teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."*

This is not a comfortable call inviting most Christians to come, be baptized, and stay in one location. For most of these early disciples it mean sweat, hardship, travel, separation, persecution and martyrdom.

This is a command to go into the world and make disciples. This is a command to reproduce disciples.

Think about it: In the first century tens of thousands of people were converted without radio, television, printing presses, Facebook, social media, cell phones. Lives were changed and people stopped everything.

Now forgive me for what I am about to say: Many of you are doing very, very important work. You have many gifts and as indispensable parts of the body, you are serving right here: in the church kitchen, taking up the offering, caring for the building, feeding the hungry, and so much more. In your bible study you may be studying all kinds of interesting things. I praise the Lord for the things you are doing, but we must keep the main thing the main thing.

Let us all see our work through the eyes of Jesus and His priorities. The big job emphasized here by Jesus is discipleship. Jesus is saying here to you and to me, as 21st century disciples, Go and clone yourselves, be fruitful and multiply, go and make disciples, train them to obey and to follow me.

Jesus intention is that everyone who follows Him must become a fisher of men. To become a disciple, is to be become a disciplemaker. You see, you are part of the mission. You are part of the story. You are the light of the world. You are messengers of the King.

Every disciple must be a disciplemaker. To be a disciple is to make a disciple. The New Testament knows nothing of disciples not making disciples.

Do you see the sequence here in our major text:

You go.

You make disciples

You baptize

You teach.

And what is the process? Going, baptizing, and teaching.

Going implies being sent. Baptizing implies the need for cleansing, repentance and forgiveness as well as inclusion in God's family. And teaching reminds us and makes clear that Jesus has more in mind than initial evangelism and a one-time follow-up.

Jesus wants going, obedient, mature disciples, educated in His teaching, ready to teach others, not just decisions.

And to whom are we to go? We are to go to the people groups of the world. You begin in your home, your community, your church, your workplace and when you can, you do to the world, or you help someone else go.

Today there are more than 11,000 people groups spread throughout the world.

This is a very specific command. It is a command that keeps you for just focusing on those around you. This is a specific command to make disciples among every people group in the world.

At this point, there are more than 6,800 people groups who have still not been reached with the gospel. Therefore, obedience to the Great commission necessarily involves intentionally going after these 6,800 people groups.

Yes, there are hungry people, sick people, and people with many needs, but we must never forget that spiritually dead people are in greater than any other group. Without Christ they are eternally lost.

While we are alive, we are charged with reaching the world with the gospel.

I think of Pat Mamaclay, our church administrator. He eats and sleeps this mission. He has a desire to reach a people group, the Badjao Muslims. They are people no one seems to love. They are beggars, rejects of society. Therefore, we must support him in this effort.

Now think about what we have learned from the great commission in Matthew. Are you convinced regarding the priority of discipleship? Perhaps you are not.

I want us to go beyond this passage and show you this is Christ's teaching in all of the Gospels and this priority for the church is seen in the Book of Acts and all the writings of the Apostle Paul

2. Now consider the restatement of the Great Commission in Mark 13:10

There Jesus declares: ¹⁰ *And the gospel must first be proclaimed to all nations.*

What is this?

This is not just a prediction that the gospel will be proclaimed in the whole world, Jesus says that this must be done. "Must" is a word that requires necessity and action. The Gospel must be proclaimed in the whole world.

3. Then let's consider a third restatement of the Great Commission. In Luke 24, we come to the last chapter of the Gospel of Luke. Jesus has recently risen from the dead and appears to the disciples.

Luke 24:44-49 ⁴⁴ Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled." ⁴⁵ Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, ⁴⁶ and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, ⁴⁷ and that repentance and ^[a] forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹ And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high."

What is happening here? Jesus opens their minds. Jesus is exercising his authority, and He is sending the disciples out as witnesses to the nations.

4. Then there is the fourth restatement of the great commission in the Gospel of John:

Jesus says in *John 20: 21 ²¹, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you."*

Jesus came to earth on a mission from the Father. Now the Son is continuing to do what He did on earth through us! What a privilege! We must not drop the ball. This is the main mission.... The mission of King Jesus must be carried out by and through His followers.

5. Then there is a fifth restatement of the great commission in the Book of Acts, right before His ascension:

Acts 1:8 ⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

One New Testament scholar, Darrell Bock, comments about this final statement of Jesus: "This commission describes the church's key assignment of what to do until the Lord returns. The priority for the church until he returns, a mission of which the community must never lose sight, is to witness to Jesus to the end of the earth. The church exists, in major part, to extend the apostolic witness to Jesus everywhere."

Later in Acts, 1 Matthias is chosen to replace Judas, that he might become a witness to Christ's resurrection.

In Acts 2 Peter preaches at Pentecost, bearing witness to Christ, calling people to faith and repentance.

In Acts 3 Peter heals a lame beggar in Jesus's name and then uses the occasion to bear witness to Christ and call people to repentance..

As they proclaim the resurrection, many more hear the Word, and five thousand men believe..

In Acts 4 Peter and John testify before the council to the crucifixion and resurrection, and when they are released from custody, and they continue to speak the Word with boldness.

We could go on and on. Over and over again Luke makes clear that the point of this book of Acts is to show the mission of Jesus being fulfilled as the Word of God increases and multiplies.

Everywhere the Word goes there is opposition, but everywhere the Word goes, some believe and they begin the process of discipleship.

There was urgency to this mission. Babies, young children in the faith, cannot be left alone. They need to grow, which requires discipleship.

As you read through the Book of Acts, we learn of the Apostle Paul. What is his focus, his priority? Paul not only preaches the gospel in new frontiers, but also strengthens the disciples, encourages them in the faith, and appoints elders (Acts 14: 21-33).

His mission is not just evangelism, but deeper discipleship. He has his own Schools of Discipleship and has followers, disciples like Timothy and Titus and more. The Book of Acts is the History of the Discipleship Mission. The Apostle Paul wins converts, plants churches, builds up existing congregations. He writes letters to the churches and individuals about discipleship and they become half of the New Testament.

The Apostle Paul has left us a model for ministry. He wrote to the church at Corinth:

1 Corinthians 10:32-11:1 ³² Give no offense to Jews or to Greeks or to the church of God, ³³ just as I try to please everyone in everything I do, not seeking my own advantage, but that of many, that they may be saved. 11 Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.

Philippians 1: ³ I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, ⁴ always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, ⁵ because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now.

As we think of the future of Trinity Church. We must see the biblical priority of discipleship. This does not mean that we have to abandon plans for meeting people's needs. But it means in a world of finite time, energy, and resources, Trinity church, above all else, should be evangelizing non-Christians, nurturing believers, and establishing healthy churches.

This means that discipleship is NOT something we tack on to existing programs and make it fit in. Discipleship must be at the heart of the church's ministry.

All other ministries should be evaluated by whether or not in some way they are developing disciples.

So how are we doing? How are we responding to our mission given by Christ? Who are you discipling? Have you gone out into your world, shared the Gospel, seen someone come to Christ, and discipled them? And are they now reproducing? And are you making disciples, mature disciples who last? Or have we gotten busy making a

In your homes and in the church, new believers, prospective believers, seekers, must be taught, equipped, coached, mentored, disciple.

Now let me summarize what we have learned.:

We can summarize this mission by answering eight questions (largely from DeYoung and Gilbert):

1. Who gave the mission? Jesus gave this mission verbally to the first disciples, but it did not end with their deaths. As Lord of the church, he expects his followers to carry out this mission "to the end of the age." Their mission is our mission.
2. Why must we respond to the mission? The authority for our mission comes from King Jesus. It is rooted in the Word of God and based on the Father's sending of the Son. We are sent because Christ was sent, and we go in his name, under his authority.
3. What is the mission? The mission consists of preaching and teaching, announcing and testifying, making disciples and bearing witness. The mission focuses on the initial and continuing verbal declaration and explanation of the gospel. The mission is all about discipleship.
4. Where does Jesus send His church on His mission? We are sent into the world. Our strategy is not simply come and visit our church.

We are commanded to "go and tell." The message of salvation is for every people group—near, far, and everywhere in between.

5. How are we to accomplish the mission? In and of ourselves, we are weak, but we go forward with confidence in the power of the Holy Spirit and in submission to the Son just as he was obedient to and dependent upon the Father.
6. When does the mission begin and when does it end? The mission began at Pentecost when the disciples were clothed with power from on high with the presence of the Holy Spirit.

The mission will last as long as the promise of Christ's presence lasts; that is, to the end of the age. We live in the Age of Discipleship.

7. To whom does Jesus send us? The church should make disciples of the nations, all the nations.

We must go to every people group, proclaiming the good news to the ends of the earth.

8. What will be the consequences if we obey Christ and respond to this mission?

The church of Christ will be strengthened and built up and many more churches will be planted. Disciples will be made.

TR>>>Now this brings us to a key question:

We have answered the first question?

I. What is our mission? Answer: Make Disciples.....

II. What is a disciple?

A disciple is a follower, a learner, a student, an intern, an apprentice. A disciple of Jesus Christ is a growing believer, being equipped to carry on the work of his Teacher. He is under the authority of Jesus. His life has been changed. He has a new heart, a new record, a new life. He has a new mission in life, a new purpose for living. He has surrendered to the Lordship of Jesus Christ. A change has occurred. Now his first allegiance is to Jesus Christ. He recognizes that his first loyalty, his first priority in life is serving Jesus Christ, His church and His Kingdom. He wants to learn all that Jesus has commanded. He is follower of Jesus. He wants to live as Jesus lived. He wants to have the character of Jesus. His life is spent in service to Christ and others. He spends time with Jesus in prayer and in His word. He develops the habits of Jesus. He memorizes the teachings of Jesus. He imitates Jesus. He loves other people like Jesus. He displays the fruit of Christ's Spirit.

He is quick to obey, to submit to Jesus. Information given in the word of God is obeyed. Jesus said, "You are my disciples if you keep my commandments."

Once you have been through Jesus' school of discipleship, you are ready to obey the last part of this commission--to teach others to obey all that Jesus has commanded.

George Barna writes, "A little more than 60% of born-again adults have set no goals for their spiritual development, failed to develop standards against which to measure their growth, or failed to establish procedures for being held accountable for themselves."

They have no plan for spiritual growth. They just go to church. What they prefer is a no discipleship Christianity. But that is not Christianity at all. And so 80 percent of local churches in America are in spiritual decline.

Jesus said in *Luke 9:23-24*. "If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself, and take up his cross daily and follow Me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake, he is the one who will save it."

Now, what is Jesus requiring here? Jesus here is teaching that if you follow him, if you are to be his disciple, you must die. That is what taking up a cross is all about. You are required as a disciple to die to your personal mission and to invest your life in His mission. It is a radical call to be disciple. The early disciples left everything.

Jesus taught to be his disciple, you must be willing to leave your family; you must be willing to die to your mission; you must be willing to obey Him at a moment's call; you must be willing to surrender your wealth, time, resources, talents,

In all things Christ must be preeminent. Now do you get it? Discipleship must be the primary mission of our church. It must be reinforced in our Sunday School programs, youth programs, men's and women's groups, young couples groups.

Discipleship must occur in every worship service and it must be a major focus of your home. God told Abraham why he called him:

Genesis 18:19 ¹⁹ For I have chosen^[a] him, that he may command his children and his household after him to keep the way of the LORD by doing righteousness and justice, so that the LORD may bring to Abraham what he has promised him."

He called Abraham to disciple his children who would disciple his grandchildren....

Just after giving the ten commandments, Moses said:

Deuteronomy 6:4-9 ⁴ "Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one.^[a] ⁵ You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. ⁶ And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. ⁷ You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. ⁸ You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. ⁹ You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

What is that? That is discipleship.

Proverbs 22:6 ⁶ Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.

Ephesians 6:4 ⁴ Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

This is discipleship.

Now what about you?

Now here is some very good news.

Conclusion - Now I wish to close with CHRIST'S GREAT PROMISE in Matthew 28: 20b.

His promise to disciples, who become disciplemakers is: *"And lo, I am with you all the days, even to the end of the age."*

Jesus promised to be with us all the days of our life.

So what have we learned in this message? We have learned that at the heart of the great commission of Jesus is the task of making disciples.

So, what about you? Now do you see what is really important? Can you say with Isaiah, "Here I am, send me."

What must be your response to Christ's Great Declaration, Christ's Great Command and His Great Promise?

How must you respond if you obey Christ's command to make disciples? What does it mean for you to die to yourself? How can you help with the work of discipleship?

Three ways: Pray Go Give

You can be a discipler. You have talents and gifts given by King Jesus, so that you can serve in this great cause.

Luke 10:2 ² And he said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.

Appendix 6

Links

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Ministry Resources

Brigada.org

Trinity Websites

Trinitycwm.org and Trinitycentraloahu.org

Facebook Pages:

Trinity Church Central Oahu

<https://www.facebook.com/TCCO.HI>

Trinity Center for World Mission

<https://www.facebook.com/trinitycwm>

Partner Websites

ACTI

ugandamission.net/acti

African Bible College

africanbiblecolleges.net

The Bible Society of Uganda

biblesociety-uganda.org

Center for Reformed Theology and Apologetics

reformed.org

Christ Presbyterian Church

clarksvillepca.org

Christian Counseling and Educational Foundation

ccef.org

Desiring God Ministries

desiringgod.org

Global Hope Network International

globalhopenetwork.org/

Kairos

kairosusa.com

Ligonier Ministries

ligonier.org

PCU

pcusecretariat.org

Presbyterian Church in America

pcanet.org

Reconciliation Ministries

RMNI.org

Rafiki Foundation

rafikifoundation.org

Rainbow House of Christ

Team Expansion	teamexpansion.org
The TentMaker Project	tentmakerproject.org
Third Millenium Ministries	thirdmill.org
Westminster Theological Seminary	wts.edu