NCAC Vision Sunday

September 11, 2022

Note: Below is a list of discussion questions related to our church's vision and suggestions for an extended time of prayer. Feel free to focus on one or the other—or to do a little of both!

NCAC Vision Point 1: Create an engaging and welcoming Sunday morning worship experience.

- 1. What are some things you appreciate about our current Sunday morning worship experience? What helps you engage in our worship services in meaningful ways?
- 2. How do you think an unbelieving, unchurched person might feel if he or she was to visit our church? What might we do *as a church* to make that person feel more welcome? What could you *personally* do to be more welcoming to visitors?

NCAC Vision Point 2: Disciple the next generation by creating a vibrant children's ministry.

- 3. From experience or observation, how have you seen children impacted by a church's children's ministry? If you are a parent, what could you do to help your children take full advantage of the children's ministry at our church?
- 4. What would you hope that our children's workers would desire to instill in the children they serve? If you're not involved in children's ministry, how could you still be a part of helping the next generation joyfully follow Jesus?

NCAC Vision Point 3: Move our congregation towards Christ-likeness.

5. When it comes to growing in Christ-likeness, how would you describe the responsibilities of the church and of the individual? How have you been served by the efforts of others to help you grow in Christ-likeness? What might you do to help others in our church grow?

NCAC Vision Point 4: Mobilize our church family to off-campus outreach.

6. How have you seen churches love others in their community in the name of Jesus? Which of these might work for Neighborhood Church? What does a church need to remember and consider as it seeks to reach its community?

NCAC Vision Point 5: Share in the completion of the missionary task.

7. How have you seen churches effectively participate in the missionary task? How does this pursuit fit into your own life? What might help improve that?

Suggestions to Pray for the Pursuit of Our Church's Vision:

Vision Point 1: Create an engaging and welcoming Sunday morning worship experience.

- That we would be a welcoming church community.
- That people would come to Sunday morning services with hearts ready to worship.
- For all those teaching and preaching—that they'd be led and empowered by the Spirit.
- That people would come eagerly expecting to meet with our living, active God.
- For wisdom for those making decisions about our Sunday morning services.

Vision Point 2: Disciple the next generation by creating a vibrant Children's Ministry.

- That God would be at work in the hearts of our children from a young age.
- That our children's teachers would teach biblical truth with joy and love.
- That we would instill in our children a desire to obey God from joy rather than duty.
- That God would raise up faithful, mature volunteers to minister to our children.
- For wisdom for those making decisions about our Children's Ministries.

Vision Point 3: Move our congregation towards Christ-likeness.

- That as a church we would joyfully pursue Christ-likeness and holiness.
- That we would rest in what Christ has done for us and not be trapped in shame.
- That we would know and experience Christ's love in a way that makes us eager to share it.
- That we would be people who delight in and who spend time in God's Word.
- That we would seek after the Holy Spirit and experience Him at work in our lives.

Vision Point 4: Mobilize our church family to off-campus outreach.

- That God will deepen our love and concern for our neighbors and community.
- That God will grant us clarity and boldness to share the Gospel with love.
- That God would provide us special insight into the needs and burdens of those around us.
- That God would give us creativity as we look for ways to share Christ's love with others.
- That God would draw many in our community to Himself through the Gospel.

Vision Point 5: Share in the completion of the missionary task.

- That God would strengthen, encourage and work though our church's missionaries.
- That God will increase our passion to see people from all nations worship Him.
- That God would raise up more people from our church to go to the nations.
- That God would make us joyful and generous partners with those who go out with the Gospel.
- That God would enable us to be involved in global missions in wise and effective ways.