

Beautiful Savior Ministry Plans 2014-2015 – approved by congregation June 15, 2014

### **Elders**

We've been excited to see Jesus deeply developing strong leaders this year. He has also granted to our body a great degree of peace and harmony. We continue to see more members renew or create ministries as they follow Jesus. In the next year we see continued patience as we follow Jesus, giving time for all of us to be heard and to listen well. And we see supporting groups and leaders to be able to follow Jesus without a program to guide them first. We think stories of Jesus doing this are nourishing for us all and we want to see more stories shared among us. We deeply value the Word and will examine all ministries to verify that Bible learning and living is a consistent focus and practice.

### **Kid's Community Summer, Wednesday, & Sunday, Ministries**

We are in the process of training leaders that are deepening long term relationships with children and their families in the Preschool, on Wednesday's, on Sundays, and in Fun & Friends. I will use the analogy of someone coming to your home for the first time. *Fun & Friends* is becoming a ministry primarily focused on the beginnings of a relationship as you find on the front porch area of a home. *Kid's Community Wednesday* is designed to be the entryway inside the home as we offer ways of deepening relationships. *Kid's Community Sunday* is looking like the living room where we really live life and grow by studying God's Word together. We want to find ways to transition kids and families deeper into the house.

### **Family Ministries**

Families, as the Body of Christ, are the true launching ground for making disciples. As a team we will help parents lead their families towards developing long lasting relationships with Jesus, with each other, and those God puts in the lives of their family every day. We will watch for ways to help parents develop families that look for Jesus regularly. We will provide a variety of opportunities for families to do good together within the church and out in the neighborhoods of life. We want to invest in the ongoing maintenance of families and marriages.

### **Youth**

We have seen Jesus move us toward deep and vulnerable relationships. We spend a lot of our time in prayer for one another. We also spend a lot of time serving and loving our community. We have seen a push toward more integration of teenagers with the broader church. This coming year, we will seek to be more genuinely hospitable without an agenda other than seeking and providing connection. We will continue to seek to break down walls between the youth group and the rest of the church.

### **Young Adults**

Young Adults have seen some momentum and consistency develop this year. In the coming year, we will be adding a large group of graduates to our numbers. We will seek to grow not only in number, but in leadership and discipleship. Young adults will take on leadership with junior high and high school students.

### **Men**

We have seen God calling the men to deeper connections to each other and toward evangelism. We have seen a great willingness to help and serve. In the next year we see Jesus leading us to listen more to what is on the hearts of the men and empower them to act on where God is leading them.

### **Women**

We have seen Jesus move women toward honesty and vulnerability with one another. The "Follow Jesus" coaster has been a very effective tool. This next year we see Jesus leading us in encouraging women to grow in walking together. This will happen through listening, as women share what their gifts, interests and passions are and then helping them use those to invite other women to join them.

### **Couples and Mixed Adults**

This year we've seen individuals initiate care for family and friends supported by their groups. We are asking God for clarity in how to assist groups in growing into effective support and following Jesus intentionally. We will provide direction, guidance and support for groups as they move in this direction of seeing Jesus at work doing good and then joining Him.

### **Saints Alive/Seniors**

Jesus is increasing our awareness of His work among us. We are aware of the need for seniors ministry to be broader to address the ministry needs of seniors from the not yet retired to the elderly who may be home bound. We will be seeking clarity and specific actions for this direction. This next year Saints Alive will incorporate a "His Story" into their events on a regular consistent basis, with seniors sharing stories of seeing Jesus at work during the monthly social outings. Seniors want to look for additional ways to join Jesus in touching the lives of others.

### **Coaches**

The coaches support the ministry of each zone ( family, young adults, men, women, couples and mixed adults, and seniors). The coaches are focus on really listening to what is going on in the lives and groups of people in their zone. From that we hope to help the groups understand where Jesus is already working and discern how to respond and join with Him. Listening deeply is the key.

### **Social Concerns**

We have learned how to effectively help others by orienting our ministry toward development (long term and centered on what they can do) rather than relief (short term and centered on what we give). This next year we see Jesus leading us to build deeper connections with the Foster Care system (so far 6 small groups and 10 other members are engaged). We also want to continue to transition our work with those at the Clackamas Service Center to development. We would love to see more groups following Jesus into doing good together.

### **Music/Worship**

This past year has seen some new leadership step forward as well as a new choir. In the next year we want to integrate the organ, glory band and worship teams better. We are also working on including aspects of the older liturgy on a regular basis. We also want to find ways to expand our understanding of worship and allow for new and creative options within the service. These options might be in the prayer room and would be opportunities to try a different form of worship.

### **Outreach**

We have seen a lot of new people interested in helping to greet and usher on Sunday. We are looking forward to connecting more deeply to our guests and helping more of them to engage with our family. We are seeing Jesus move us away from events as a focal point of evangelism to developing long term relationships. This summer we are focusing on developing those relationships around us. We believe that when we are present in the lives of those around us we are in the perfect place to work with Jesus to help them see Him.

### **Missions**

This year we have grown deeper connections with our missionaries. We have also focused our support on missions which are led by indigenous people, who develop leaders, and who are effective in evangelism. In the next year we see Jesus leading more members to become engaged in praying for missions, supporting missions, and living missions. We expect to find more local opportunities for us to be engaged.