

THE SPRINGS' VISION 2017

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Vision. Why?

Vision 2016: Pray, Grow, Go

VISION 2017:

1. TRINITY & ONENESS (and Relationship)

Everything created was birthed **FROM** that relationship and **FOR** that relationship, to **SHARE** in that relationship.

“that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us...” **John 17:21** (17:11; 10:30)

“All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had.” **Acts 4:32**

2. SPIRITUAL FORMATION

Spiritual formation... is about **being grown, formed, healed and restored into full maturity in Christ—the best version of you!**

Spiritual formation is really messing with the deepest parts of us, exposing them to God's care and correction, allowing the Spirit to mold, shape, remove, add, challenge & restore us.

“If any of you wants to be my follower, you must turn from your selfish ways, take up your cross, and follow me. If you try to hang on to your life, you will lose it. But if you give up your life for my sake and for the sake of the Good News, you will save it.” **Mark 8:34-35** NLT (Mt. 10:25)

“All true Christian spiritualities help those who follow Christ to walk and live in God's presence with body, mind, and soul, in the midst of the sufferings and struggles of this world.”

3. GOSPELING

Gospeling is getting Good News to people who *need* Good News!

More **fluent** (conversant) and **fluid** (comfortable) in bringing all the dimensions of the God's Good News!

Jesus said, “Go everywhere in the world, and tell everyone the Good News.” **Mark 16:15** GW (Mt. 28:18-20)

4. INTERGENERATIONAL COMMUNITY

“These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.”

Deuteronomy 6:6-7

What is God inviting us to do together?

To commit to learn about, be immersed in, and experience the relationship at the center of the Universe: the **Trinity (and Oneness)**

To open your heart to grow much deeper with God and allow him at the deep parts inside you (even the broken parts), and grow as a person who loves well. **Spiritual Formation**

To let the Good News be good again (to you) and start being a bearer of God's Good News everywhere he places you.

Gospeling.

To build relationships with people who are not like you (especially outside your generation), and include them in your life. **Intergenerational**