

OUR VISION OF MINISTERING TO PEOPLE

The Exchanged Life

We believe that the message of the gospel is not only about finding salvation for eternity but also about finding fulfilling, abundant life here on earth in Jesus Christ. The Bible tells us that the cross of Jesus dealt with our wrong behavior (forgiveness of sins), but also dealt with our wrong identity (being a sinner in Adam, lost, dead, alienated from God). Our “old man” has died with Him on the cross, was buried with Him, and together with Jesus we were resurrected, and seated in heavenly places. Every Christian has got this new LIFE, sharing the eternal life of Jesus, hidden with Him in the Father. These truths are taught in Romans 5-8, Galatians 2:20, Ephesians 1 and 2, and Colossians 3:3,4. **WE ARE DEDICATED TO TEACH THESE BIBLICAL TRUTHS IN A CLEAR AND PRACTICAL WAY.**

Walking In Flesh Or Spirit

Every Christian has the right and the possibility to share the blessings of Christ's life in him, if he chooses by faith to walk in the Spirit. He also has the freedom to choose to walk in the flesh, when his own life is manifested instead of the life of Christ. Flesh is a mindset, when the “I” is in control, and I live out of my own resources to cope with life, solve life's problems, fulfill my needs and find success. Flesh is sentenced by God to fail, no matter how “religious”, “socially acceptable” or “successful” it may seem. Walking in the flesh results in sins, mental, relational, emotional, spiritual and all other kinds of problems. **INSTEAD OF JUST SOLVING THE PROBLEMS ON THE SURFACE, WE WANT TO HELP PEOPLE TO REALIZE THEIR FLESHLY WAYS AND CHOSE TO WALK IN THE SPIRIT.**

Brokenness And Total Surrender

Brokenness is a procedure when God leads us into situations where the total failure of flesh becomes obvious. The aim of God is that the Christian would see what his own special fleshly ways are, and that they are completely inadequate to cope with life. Realizing that, the Christian can now totally surrender his life to God, relinquishing his rights to Him, allowing Him to do what He wants in his life. Christ's life is only manifested in the life of a Christian in a complete, victorious way after total surrender. **WE WANT TO HELP OTHERS THROUGH THIS PAINFUL PROCEDURE, ENCOURAGE THEM TO SEE TOTAL SURRENDER AS THE WAY OF SOLUTION, INSTEAD OF BLAMING OTHERS, THE CIRCUMSTANCES OR GOD.**

Identity And Victory In Christ

It's a basic and valid need in the life of every Christian to see himself as a valuable, acceptable person, and to see victory in life's temptations. The solution of the Gospel, that is reflected in the teachings of Paul, is that personal value and victory are not a result of our own effort and self-discipline (i.e. living under the law) but they are given to us as a work of God through Jesus Christ (i.e. living under Grace, living the life of Christ). **INSTEAD OF URGING PEOPLE TO MORE EFFORT AND ACCOMPLISHMENT WE WANT TO ENCOURAGE THEM TO FIND REST IN JESUS CHRIST, AND BY FAITH TO LIVE THE VALUABLE AND VICTORIOUS LIFE THAT IS ALREADY GIVEN TO THEM AS A FREE GIFT.**

Communicating Empathy and Acceptance

Many Christians are struggling with problems, sins and painful emotions that they are afraid to talk about, because they will not be able to “measure up” to general Christian standards, therefore other Christians will judge and despise them. **WE WANT TO PROVIDE A WARM, SECURE AND ACCEPTING ATMOSPHERE SO THAT PEOPLE WILL FEEL FREE TO OPEN UP AND FACE THEIR HURTS AND REAL NEEDS.**