

OUR MISSION AS A CHURCH

As a church, we have a mission and we have a purpose.

OBC Purpose Statement: To love the Lord and to love others into a personal relationship with Him.

Our mission is what we do with our purpose.

OBC Mission Statement: To develop followers of Christ through healthy relationships which empower others to serve.

Disciples: Fully devoted followers of Christ.

We are good at making disciples, but don't forget about the lost. Reach out beyond these 4 walls.

Being lost is scary, lonely and dangerous.

The Prodigal Son was fixing to get lost, he had his mind fixed on pursuing pleasure.

Are we lovers of pleasure or are we lovers of God, it cannot be both, it's one or the other.

When the Prodigal Son came home, the attitude of the Father was an attitude of love and celebration.

But the attitude of the other son was not, he was angry and jealous, he was focused on himself.

We need to partner with the Holy Spirit to win the lost.

Three ways to partner with the Holy Spirit:

1. Be **aware** of the lost.

Ask the Lord to help you be aware of the lost.

Who do you know that is lost?

2. **Pray** for the lost.

Some things can only change through prayer.

Partner with the Holy Spirit in prayer.

Hearts need to be prepared for salvation and only the Holy Spirit can do that.

Be aware that it takes time, it's a process.

3. **Share** with the lost.

Sometimes, before you can share the gospel, you have to share love.

Sometimes, before you can share the gospel, you have to share your life.

SCRIPTURE LIST

Matthew 22:37

John 16:8

Luke 19:10

Ephesians 1:18-20

Luke 15:11-32

Matthew 11:28-30