

## missio Dei: Falcon

**Mission:** *Creating the space for all people to ENCOUNTER the person of Jesus through the transforming study of His Word, EXPERIENCE the love of Jesus through the love of His people, and ENGAGE the work of Jesus through missional discipleship.*

**Priorities:** The evidences that our mission is advancing.

- Gospel Centered
- Scripture Saturated
- Relationally Intentional
- Authentically Loving
- Missionally Discipling
- Kingdom Multiplying

### The Partnership Process

Partnership is: *A commitment we make to one another to participate in the mission and embody the priorities of missio Dei: Falcon.*

Three steps to becoming a partner:

- **Class:** Two afternoons explaining the mission, priorities, and values of the church.
- **Conversation:** Sitting down with an elder to share your testimony and affirm your commitment to mD:F.
- **Commitment:** Living out the following two-part statement.

### I am...

*...a Gospel-believing...*

- Faith in the Good News of Jesus' atoning death and victorious resurrection bringing reconciliation with God.
- Note: Partnership does not require an affirmation of all mD:F's doctrinal distinctives.

*...sin-repenting...*

- A lifestyle of repentance, not living in unrepentant sin.

*...mutually-submissive...*

- Ephesians 5:21 states that in Christ we are all on equal footing and in need of each other's input in our lives.
- Church discipline is a biblical process and last-resort for a failure in this area.

*...baptized Christian.*

- The outward proclamation of inner-transformation.
- Note: As a credo-baptistic church we do not baptize infants, nor do we require rebaptism for those who were previously baptized as infants, though it is encouraged.

### I will...

*...participate consistently...*

- Prioritizing gathering with the church in your schedule.
- Won't go long without intentionally connecting with church family.

*...serve joyfully...*

- Note: Along with giving financially, this is not about the church "getting something" from you, but us together responding in joy to what Jesus has done for us.
- Tables are a huge part of our ministry, thus all partners will be a part of the table leading process (see handout).

*...give sacrificially...*

- Not about making budget, it's about making disciples.
- The mission of God has always been funded by the people of God.
- Sacrificial giving is not a 10% mandate in the New Testament, it is a joyful overflow from the heart transformed by grace.
- Sacrificial: People in your income bracket should live noticeably different than you because you give money away...or, you should have things you could afford to buy but can't because of your generosity...or, 10% is a good starting point!

*...live missionally.*

- Mission is *come and see* and *go and tell*.
- Come and see: When skeptics or seekers visit the church it is a chance for them to encounter Jesus and His Gospel; won't happen without the previous three commitments!
- Go and tell: We all must be committed to taking the Gospel wherever God sends us (our families, neighborhoods, workplaces, and the ends of the earth).