

CMBC MISSION, PRACTICES, AND STRUCTURE (REV 8.6)

WHO WE ARE:

People sent into this world for the sake of the Kingdom
To proclaim and live out the Good News of Jesus Christ
As a community of faith, love, and hope
By the power of the Holy Spirit

HOW WE EXPRESS WHO WE ARE

FAITH COMMUNION WITH GOD

As expressed through

HOLISTIC DISCIPLESHIP - LIFE LIKE JESUS...

To be a learner in the way of Jesus, applied to all areas of life; intentionally engaging the Scriptures in a lifelong process of spiritual formation.

Subverts our tendency to put life in compartments and live without spiritual direction
Mt 11:28-30; Mk 1:14-18; Eph 4:11-13; 15

CONTEMPLATIVE LIFESTYLE – LIFE WITH GOD

To live before God with an examined life in the context of intimate relationship with Him.

Subverts busyness, life without margin, and disconnection with God
Ps 139; Eccl 5:1-2; Col 1:2; Eph 3:14-19; Jn 15:5-9; Phil 4:9-9

LOVE COMMUNITY WITH OTHERS

As expressed through

AUTHENTIC COMMUNITY - LIFE TOGETHER

To share life with others by committing to each other in relationship after the model of the relational God.

Subverts individualism and isolation
Mt 22:37-40; Jn 17:20-23; Acts 2:42-47; Rom 12:10; Col 3:12-17

GENEROSITY AND HOSPITALITY - LIFE FOR OTHERS

Intentionally giving ourselves and sharing what is ours in warmth and welcome to the familiar and the stranger.

Subverts materialism and consumerism
Lk 10:25-37; Isa 58:6-9; Acts 2:45; Rom 12:13

HOPE CHANGE FOR THE WORLD

As expressed through

INCARNATIONAL/MISSIONAL - LIFE WITH A MESSAGE

Intentionally “going” to be the presence of Jesus, in and among culture, as bearers of Good News in speech and action.

Subverts our tendency toward safety, security, comfort and convenience
Jn 20:21; Acts 1:8; Mt 28:18-20; Jn 1:14; 1 Cor 9:19-23

SERVANT CHARACTER - LIFE GIVEN AWAY

Intentionally seeking ways to better places and people by adopting a servant attitude.

Subverts the attitudes of power and privilege and entitlement
Mk 10:42-45; Jn 13:12-17; Phil 2:1-11