We Are: Part 3 – Our Mission

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The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, for he has anointed me to bring Good News to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim that captives will be released, that the blind will see, that the oppressed will be set free, and that the time of the Lord's favor has come.

(Luke 4:18-19, NLT)

Our mission is determined by our vision and our purpose!

Our Vision:

BCF Church is a "city on a hill," a light to the city of Brownsville.

A safe place to come for healing, freedom, and a new beginning.

Shine your light!

Our Purpose:

We exist to invite those who don't usually go to church and to help them become fully transformed followers of Christ.

WHO IS OUR MISSION?

1. We love the people of Brownsville.

And work for the peace and prosperity of the city where I sent you. . . . Pray to the Lord for it, for its welfare will determine your welfare. (Jeremiah 29:7, NLT)

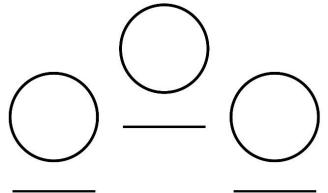
2. We invite those who don't usually go to church.

The Pharisees and their scribes were complaining to His disciples, "Why do you eat and drink with... sinners?" Jesus replied to them, "The healthy don't need a doctor, but the sick do. I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance." (Luke 5:30–32, Holman Christian Standard Bible)

3. We can reach the people in our circles.

Jesus sent him home, saying, "No, go back to your family, and tell them everything God has done for you." So he went all through the town proclaiming the great things Jesus had done for him.

(Luke 8:38–39, NLT)



HOW DO WE REACH OUR MISSION?

1. Pray for opportunities.

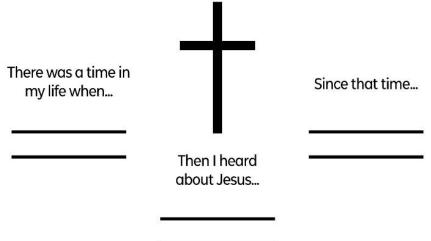
The harvest is great, but the workers are few. So pray to the Lord who is in charge of the harvest; ask him to send more workers into his fields. (Matthew 9:37–38, NLT)

2. Share your story.

I know this: I was blind, and now I can see!

(John 9:25, NLT)





3. Invite them to come and see.

Then Jesus told her, "I Am the Messiah!" The woman left her water jar beside the well and ran back to the village, telling everyone, "Come and see a man who told me everything I ever did! Could he possibly be the Messiah?" So the people came streaming from the village to see him. (John 4:26, 28–30, NLT)

Final thought:

Who will I invite to come and see?