

Jesus' People on Purpose
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We are Jesus' people.
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We are Jesus' people at Abundant Life = The LIFERS
We are Jesus' people for life = The LIFERS

LIFER'S Vision: "Everything for the glory of God!"

"So, whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God." 1 Cor. 10:31

LIFER'S Mission: "We are a church family devoted to discipleship."

"Jesus said to them, "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you."
Matthew 28:18-19

LIFER'S 4 Mission Markers

1. Identity: I am a devoted follower of Jesus Christ; I am a LIFER!

"Yet to all who received Him, to those who believed in His name, He gave the right to become children of God."
John 1:12

- I am devoted to learning the Word of God.
- I am devoted to prayer.
- I am devoted to surrendering to God.
- I am devoted to revealing the fruit of the Spirit in my life.

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!"
2 Cor. 5:17

2. Family: We are devoted to one another; we are LIFERS!

"Who are my mother and my brothers?...Whoever does God's will is my brother and sister and mother."
Mark 3:33-35

- We are devoted to nurturing healthy relationships.
- We are devoted to meeting the needs of others and bearing one another's burdens.
- We are devoted to restoring relationships with others.
- We are devoted to gathering together.

"You are all sons of God through faith in Jesus Christ." Gal. 3:26

3. Purpose: We are devoted to making new followers of Christ; LIFERS reach out!

"Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you." Mt. 28:18-20

- We are devoted to growing the family.
- We are devoted to mentoring others
- We are devoted to being led by the Holy Spirit to allow God to work through us.

“Jesus said, “Come, follow me and I will make you fishers of men.” Mk. 1:17

2021 Theme: Cultivate, Plant, Water, Harvest!

4. Sacrifice: We are devoted to surrender our lives for God and others; LIFERS give!

“Therefore, I urge you brothers, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God.” Rom. 12:1

- We are devoted to giving our time.
- We are devoted to giving our talents.
- We are devoted to giving our finances.

“Jesus said to them all, “If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for me will save it.” Lk. 9:23-24

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