

ALL IN

We Are The Church

Pastor Brad Howard - September 3, 2023

All the believers devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching, and to fellowship, and to sharing in meals (including the Lord's Supper), and to prayer. A deep sense of awe came over them all, and the apostles performed many miraculous signs and wonders. And all the believers met together in one place and shared everything they had. They sold their property and possessions and shared the money with those in need. They worshiped together at the Temple each day, met in homes for the Lord's Supper, and shared their meals with great joy and generosity-- all the while praising God and enjoying the goodwill of all the people. And each day the Lord added to their fellowship those who were being saved.

Acts 2:42-47 NLT

Our mission is to build people into fully devoted followers of Christ.

WE WILL BE...

1. WE WILL BE A DEEPLY DEVOTED CHURCH.

All the believers devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching, and to fellowship, and to sharing in meals (including the Lord's Supper), and to prayer.

Acts 2:42 NLT

Proskartereo: Verb - to show relentless devotion; to provide continual care; to demonstrate ongoing perseverance; to give unstoppable pursuit.

He is the one we proclaim, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone fully mature in Christ. To this end I strenuously contend with all the energy Christ so powerfully works in me.

Colossians 1:28-29 NIV

2. WE WILL BE AN EXCEEDINGLY GENEROUS CHURCH.

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3. WE WILL BE AN EVERYDAY CHURCH THAT CONTINUALLY SHARES THE LOVE OF JESUS.

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Acts 2:47b NLT

ACTS OF DEVOTION:

- Attend Growth Track - Today is Step One
- Join a Small Group.
- Begin tithing.
- Read God's Word and Pray daily.

Now I say to you that you are Peter (which means 'rock'), and upon this rock I will build My church, and all the powers of hell will not conquer it.

Matthew 16:18 NLT