

Date: Thursday, June 18, 2009

Location: St. Mark's

Leader: Sean Gilliland

Attendees:

Ed DeBoer

Liz Bennett

Keith Carlson

Dorothy Gherke

Lindsey Gagnon

David Gagnon

Mary Wallace

Danny Wallace

Q1) Talk about one or two existing programs or ministries at St. Mark's that you enjoy or that are particularly meaningful to you.

Christian Education (Children, Youth and Adult)

VBS

Older Adult ministries

Staff

Disaster team

Stephen ministry

Furniture program

Disciple Bible studies

Room in the Inn

Mission work (Mexico, Red Bird, SOS)

All service outreach programs

Youth

Music ministries

Evangelism

Q2) The mission of St. Mark's is, "Making Disciples for Jesus Christ." With this in mind, as we looking to the future, in what ways do you envision God calling our church to be in ministry?

College ministry (outreach to MTSU)

Increasing St. Mark's exposure

Continue developing members into better disciples

Increase membership

More canvassing/visitation

After-school program

St. Mark's using social networks (facebook, twitter)

Q3) What are some biblical or theological images of where we are or where we are going as a church?

We have a direction, a purpose

Service

Our missions create their own image

Fishers of men

Q4) In light of our conversation, what do you think God is saying to us in reference to our building needs?

Youth need more space

Children need more space

Need a gym/multipurpose room

Preschool growth could drive church growth

Sanctuary makes St. Mark's more appealing to visitors/prospective members

Sanctuary is more reverent, and a more appealing place for weddings

Scouting needs to have access to more space

Need larger dining area

Multipurpose room /gym could be used for Sunday school

Larger/individual choir room

We have maximized our current space

Growth of space needed to accommodate future church growth

Need office space

Need storage space

Q5) Are you willing to make a commitment of resources to grow the ministries of St. Mark's?

Resources include time and service

Financial resources may follow commitment of time

Building program could be done in smaller phases

If God is calling us to move forward, He can make the commitments able to be fulfilled.