

APOSTOLIC CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Morton, Illinois

OUR VISION:

We will honor Jesus Christ through Biblical teaching and Christ-centered living to inspire spiritual growth within our congregation, in our community, and throughout the world.

5 EVIDENCES OF SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Evidence 1: We will see an inspired congregation that is equipped and empowered to engage confidently in the four pillar mission of the Apostolic Christian Church of America (*present the gospel, nurture the believer, preserve sound doctrine, serve one another*).

KEY INITIATIVES:

What we do:

Evangelize: develop skills for sharing the Gospel to actively reach out to lost souls in our community, our sphere of influence, and throughout the world.

Teach/Nurture: identify needs throughout our congregation for specific learning and instruction to deal with life's challenges and opportunities.

Preserve Sound Doctrine: apply Biblical Truth based on rightly dividing the Word of God.

Serve: seek opportunities to be the hands and feet of Jesus Christ within our congregation, community, and throughout the world.

How we do it:

Engage the Stewardship Committee: assist with implementing the vision by reviewing ideas and utilizing the spiritual gifts and talents of the congregation.

Ensure Appropriate Facilities: seek to enhance ministry efforts and meet the needs of the total congregation.

Develop a Communications Process: maintain open dialogue on the status and progress of the five Key Evidences.

Evidence 2: We will see a congregation that engages and connects people of all ages and walks of life.

KEY INITIATIVES:

Seek opportunities for the various generations of the church to interact and build up one another.

Seek to interact with everyone who attends our church so that every person is shown love and value.

Expand and promote mentoring.

Retain and expand church-wide activities that encourage broad fellowship.

Evidence 3: We will see a congregation grounded in Biblical Truth with an understanding of and commitment to sanctified living.

KEY INITIATIVES:

Promote Bible study and application of the Word through independent study, small group study, and congregational worship.

Continue and expand a coordinated Bible Study program.

Engage in victorious Christian living and Biblical accountability.

Commit to living out Christ's commandment to love God and others.

Evidence 4: We will see young people who are inspired to follow Jesus Christ.

KEY INITIATIVES:

Provide appropriate leadership and resources for implementing youth programs.

Provide a Sunday School curriculum that teaches and explains Biblical truth and Apostolic Christian church doctrine.

Continue to develop Sunday School activities and enhance the summer Sunday School program.

Enhance the Young Group's spiritual growth and ministries.

Evidence 5: We will see families who are Biblically-focused and living in alignment with God's Word.

KEY INITIATIVES:

Equip and motivate couples to grow and sustain strong marriages.

Equip and motivate parents to raise spiritually-committed children.

Strengthen spiritual leadership by encouraging men of all ages to be servant leaders in their spheres of influence.

Provide opportunity and encouragement for women of all ages to fulfill their Biblically-defined roles in their spheres of influence.