

MORTON APOSTOLIC CHRISTIAN CHURCH



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OUR PURPOSE

Why We Exist

To glorify God by loving as Jesus loves.

OUR VISION

Our Aspiration

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

OUR MISSION

What We Do

Evangelize to a lost world, sharing the gospel of salvation (Christ's life/death/resurrection) with those in our families, our communities, our spheres of influence, and through our ministries.

Disciple believers to strive toward a more sanctified Holy Spirit-led life through Biblical teaching, spiritual discipleship, and mentoring to all groups: families, couples, single parents, singles, widows, and widowers.

Preserve sound doctrine by focusing on the preaching and teaching of the Word, applying Biblical truth to overcome sin and to withstand the shifting influences of our culture and society.

Perform deeds of compassion by becoming the hands and feet of Jesus to serve those in need in our church family, community, our spheres of influence, and the world.

OUR LEADERSHIP FRAMEWORK

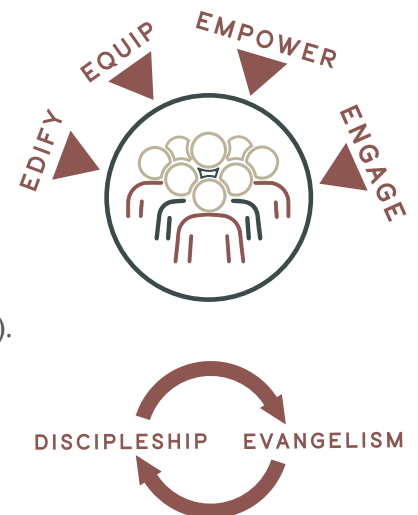
How We Are Organized

We have referenced the instructions to the early church in Ephesians to develop and adopt an E4 Leadership Model:

Edify + Equip + Empower + Engage = Discipleship + Evangelism.

We have retained the Elder/Minister Team who has spiritual oversight responsibility for the church, as well as the Trustee Board, who has infrastructure oversight responsibility. In addition, we have identified six Ministry Areas which will function in a leadership framework built on a vertical relationship with God (UPREACH) and horizontal relationships in our church family (INREACH) and in our communities/spheres of influence (OUTREACH).

Leaders of these teams will serve on an E4 Leadership Council advisory body to foster effective collaboration and communication among our church ministries.



MINISTRY AREAS

How We Do It



WORSHIP



- We will glorify God and honor Jesus Christ through corporate worship services where Biblical truth is preached, songs of praise are sung, and sacraments are observed. The gospel will be shared with the lost and believers will be edified and nurtured.
- We recognize God as a holy, righteous, omnipotent, loving being who desires a personal, intimate relationship with His creation, including all mankind.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH



- As our appropriate view of God reinforces His holiness and our sinful nature, we will endeavor to exercise His grace to live a victorious sin-overcoming life, seeking His constant forgiveness and striving for a lifetime of spiritual growth and development.
- Our worship service is grounded on the essential truth that “all scripture is given by inspiration of God” and will be augmented with appropriate Bible Studies and relevant topics to deal with life’s challenges and opportunities, as well as encouragement to each believer for disciplined Bible study and meditation.



DISCIPLESHIP



- We will embrace discipleship – putting Jesus first in all things, obeying His commandments, bearing good fruit, loving others, and preparing more disciples.
- Within our church family, we will strive to develop a culture of spiritual engagement, personal connection, and proactive discipleship, where each person is motivated to draw nearer to our Lord and Savior and to mentor and help others in their walks through life.

YOUTH MINISTRIES



- We will teach and engage our youth to inspire them to desire to serve Jesus and love others as Jesus loves us.
- We will demonstrate our church’s strengths of fellowship, service, and hospitality by connecting our youth to the rest of our church family, so they witness Christ-centered living and feel the love and support of the congregation.

CHURCH FAMILY



- We will be intentional to provide a welcoming loving environment for our church family (members and friends), including young and old, male and female, married couples, single parents, singles, divorcees, widows, and widowers.
- Three of the special bonds that will define our church family, as well as our connection to the Apostolic Christian Church of America, are: 1) prayer, as we experience life together, 2) fellowship, as we encourage and support one another in our Christian walk, and 3) service, as we joyfully serve each other.



LOCAL & WORLD COMMUNITY



- We will also be intentional in our outreach beyond our church family into our personal families, local communities, and the world to fulfill the Great Commission (Matthew 28:19) – to share the gospel message of hope and salvation with all mankind.
- As ambassadors of Christ, we will seek opportunities to evangelize to the lost and become His hands and feet as we represent His love in service to others in need.