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INTRODUCTION

As you probably have figured out by now, we belong to a church of Christcommitted followers who make Christ-committed followers in the context of small groups. Why is this our predominant culture? In *Book 4: CCF DNA*, you will find out the reasons behind our priorities as a church. You will also be introduced to the purpose for which God has called each and every Christ-follower to fulfill here on earth.

In this module, you will learn about the Mission, Vision and Core Values of CCF. You will also face the challenge to obey Christ's commission to all His followers — "to make disciples of all nations". God's people have the highest privilege of participation in God's mission, fulfill His vision, and live out Bible-based core values not only as individuals but as committed members of a local church such as CCF. Just as parents pass on their DNA to the next generation, so are we to pass on to our "spiritual children" the CCF DNA that we embody and practice. So come, let us avoid any delay and move on to this next stop on our journey of following Jesus!

HOW TO USE THIS WORKBOOK

This workbook is for the GLC Essentials CCF DNA Book 4 study. It can be used as a stand-alone Bible study guide for small groups. There is also a video teaching resource that you can access and download for free at **glc.ccf.org.ph.** Click RESOURCES to view all available materials.

Remember that the learning process is much more than just knowing the right answers to the blank spaces in this workbook. Obedience to God's truth through life application is more important. As we apply the lessons from Book 4: CCF DNA, we will experience greater intimacy with Jesus, and more fruitfulness for His glory.

If you are a small group servant/facilitator, all you have to do is make sure that you do a personal Bible study using this workbook ahead of your small group meeting for preparation. Encourage your group members to have their own workbooks. Do not divert the teaching topic – stick to what is in the workbook.

The workbook includes the Bible lesson as well as individual and small group learning activities to help you get the most out of your meetings. There are four parts in every session: Explore, Examine, Express, and Experience.

- **Explore** contains individual and small group activities that help prepare you for the Bible study.
- **Examine** this is where you go through the Bible lesson with your group.
- **Express** this is where the members of the group get a chance to express more of their insights, questions and thoughts about the Bible lesson. They can do it in writing, doodling or drawing, and sharing to the rest of the group.
- **Experience** this section is accomplished outside the group meeting time. There are suggested individual or group Life Apps that will hopefully help you experience life transformation as you apply God's truth in practical ways.

As you begin, please remember that this workbook is just a tool designed for us to make disciples. We need to depend on the Holy Spirit to teach us God's truth and transform our hearts and those of our disciples as we go through the module. SESSION 1 MISSION AND VISION

EXPLORE

PUZZLE MUSCLE

Work together as a group and without looking at the Bible passage, rearrange the words and phrases below to form the Great Commission statement given by Jesus to His faithful followers before He ascended into heaven (Matthew 28:19–20 NIV).

baptizing them	to observe all	teaching them	and
and lo	end of age	of the Father	Go therefore
and the Son	I am with you always		in the name
even to the	and make disciples		of all nations
and the Holy Spirit		that I comm	anded you

Write out the phrases and words in the correct order here:

What do you think is the main verb (the main command) in this passage?

LEARNING NUGGET

Our Mission Statement in Christ's Commission Fellowship is based on the Great Commission of Jesus Christ that is recorded in Matthew 28:19– 20. Later on in this lesson, you will discover what the main verb is of this command, which will also tell you what is to be our main preoccupation as we live out our lives here on earth. It is also worth reminding ourselves that the Great Commandment (Luke 10:27, Matt. 22:37, Mark 12:30–31) ought to be the basis for our obedience to the Great Commission.



Examples of Companies and their Mission Statement

Google

To organize the world's information & make it universally accessible and useful

Microsoft

To enable people & businesses throughout the world to realize their full potential

Walt Disney

To make people happy

Wal Mart

To give ordinary folk the chance to buy the same thing as rich people

Jollibee

To bring great taste & happiness to everyone

Harvard University (Founded 1636)

"To be plainly instructed and consider well that the main end of your life and studies is to know God and Jesus Christ."

Each diploma has the following words - "Veritas Christo et Ecclesiae" (Truth for Christ and the Church)

Yale University (Founded 1701)

Primary Goal: "Every student shall consider the main end of his study to wit to know God in Jesus Christ and answerable to lead a Godly, sober life."

"Gone out of business. Didn't know what our business was." - 1963, University Christian Church, NY

I. CCF Mission

To Honor God and make Christ-Committed Followers who will make Christ-Committed Followers.

Every Christian's Mission

A. To Make Disciples

¹⁸And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. ¹⁹Go therefore and <u>make disciples</u> of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, ²⁰teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and Io, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

Matthew 28:18–20

DEFINITION

defines what we do.

is a picture of what will happen if we fulfill our mission

DIFFERENCE: MISSION AND VISION

Mission	Vision
Statement	Picture, Snapshot
What we are supposed to be doing	What will it be in the future
Informs	Inspires
Head	Heart
1 st	2 nd

MISSION	VISION
Matthew 28:19–20 – Therefore	Revelation 7:9 - After this I
go and make disciples of all	looked and there before me was
nations, baptizing them in the	a great multitude that no one
name of the Father and of the	could count, from every nation,
Son and of the Holy Spirit, and	tribe, people and language,
teaching them to obey everything	standing before the throne and in
I have commanded you.	front of the Lamb

"The only thing worse than being blind is having sight but no vision." Helen Keller

II. CCF Vision

Our vision is to see a movement of millions of committed followers of the Lord Jesus Christ meeting in small groups, transforming lives, families, communities, and nations, all for the glory of God.

Benefits of a Clear Mission and Vision

- A. Determines our_____.
- B. Keeps us _____.
- C. _____ our members and leadership team
- D. Reduces _____.
- E. Inspires _____.
- F. Assists _____.
- G. Mobilizes _____ people.
- H. _____ the organization
- I. _____ unity
- J. Prepares us for _____.



Take turns in your group to share your thoughts on the following discussion points:

- 1. Based on what occupies your time, effort and resources, what seems to be your main mission in life?
- 2. At the end of your life, would you be able to say that what you are living for now is worth what Christ died for? On the "tombstone" below, write down a short epitaph that you would want to summarize the life you lived on earth.



EXPERIENCE

 Rate the alignment of your personal mission and vision to CCF's mission and vision (0-completely different, 10-completely aligned). If your rating is 5 and below, how can you adjust your personal mission and vision so that it would be closely aligned to CCF's mission and vision?

After spending time in prayer and reflection, write your personal mission and vision statement that is aligned with the Great Commission and CCF's mission and vision. Take time to pray and write down a simple and specific mission and vision for your:

- a. Personal life
- b. Career
- c. Family
- d. Ministry
- If you had a rating of 6 and above, what next concrete step do you need to take towards the fulfilment of your God-given, CCF-aligned personal mission and vision? Write down 2–3 specific action points on what you will do for the next 30 days so you can follow Jesus better based on your personal mission and vision statement.

SESSION 2 CCF STRATEGY



Take turns to share in your group the following points:

As of the present, do you have any plans and preparations to secure your family's future or for your own future retirement? What are those preparations and how are you going to implement those?

LEARNING NUGGET

Most of us have plans and preparations are in place to secure our family's (financial, educational, health, etc.) future and for our own retirement from work. This is important for our future well-being and for our loved ones. But would it be also very important to plan and prepare for our spiritual growth and maturity towards Christ-likeness which have eternal consequences? Would it be also crucial to find out how we can progress towards Christ-likeness which is the end goal of our discipleship journey? Here in this session, we will learn how CCF will help us to move forward in our discipleship journey towards Christ-likeness.

EXAMINE

I. What a Strategy Is

- A _____ that enables us to accomplish our mission and vision.
- Aims to bring every CCF member from where they are to where God wants them to be
- Mission does not change; strategy can change

II. CCF Discipleship Journey

GOAL: Christ-likeness

PROCESS:



III. Strategy

1. Every Member a _____.

And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ; until we all attain to the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fullness of Christ. **Ephesians 4:11–13**

2. _____ training

Now after this the Lord appointed seventy others, and sent them in pairs ahead of Him to every city and place where He Himself was going to come.

Luke 10:1

3. _____

- Small Group Discipleship is our basic structure and main <u>ministry</u> in CCF.
- It is the model used by _____.

And He appointed twelve, so that they would be with Him and that He could send them out to preach, Mark 3:14

Day by day continuing with one mind in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they were taking their meals together with gladness and sincerity of heart, praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord was adding to their number day by day those who were being saved.

Acts 2:46-47

4 _____

The things which you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, entrust these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.

2 Timothy 2:2

A. Benefits of Small Group Discipleship

- Relationship
- Not dependent on one
- Accountability
- Blind spots addressed
- Modeling
- Team ministry
- Character-building
- Mutual care & encouragement



Take turns in your group to share your thoughts on the following discussion points:

What does a disciple of Jesus look like? Evaluate yourself according to the characteristics of a disciple of Christ that we discussed earlier.

Use the scale below as a guide for your self-evaluation. Write the number that corresponds to your rating beside each description of a disciple of Christ.

Totally Agree - 1 Mostly Agree - 2 Mostly Disagree - 3 Totally Disagree - 4
I am more than a believer. _____
I am a committed follower. _____
I am becoming like Christ in character, behavior, and purpose. _____
I have become a fisher of men. ______
I disciple others who will disciple others.______

EXPERIENCE

 Depending on how far along you are in the discipleship journey, write down one person – or a group of people from your family, friends, co-workers — that you will help to move along through the process of knowing Jesus and growing in Christ-likeness. Guide questions are provided for you for each step along the discipleship journey.

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How will I engage the lost? Who?

EVANGELIZE Who will I share the gospel to? When? EQUIP Who will I train to share the gospel to others?

EMPOWER

Who will I "release" to lead their own Dgroup?

2. The GLC training curriculum follows the CCF Discipleship Journey as it equips a person to progress through the journey towards Christ-likeness.

Where are you in your Discipleship Journey?



Where are you now in the GLC Training Process?

ENGAGE	EVANGELIZE EQUIP	EMPOWER	
Pray, Care, Share	GLC ESSENTIALS Books 1–8 and UPGRADES	Teach GLC Start and multiply Dgroups anytime	
TRUE LIFE RETREAT			
CATALYSTS			

What will you do so that there is an alignment between your discipleship journey and the equipping you receive through GLC Training, and vice versa?

SESSION 3 CORE VALUES 1

EXPLORE

"Just Like Mom or Dad"

Select one or two of the following questions to respond to. Take turns sharing your answers in your group:

1. When you were growing up, who did people say you took after physically or personality-wise—your mom or dad? Kindly explain.

2. Share one or two values that you learned from your parents and that you continue to live by as an adult.

3. What do you think are some things that others can learn about your family of origin (parents, siblings) just by observing you?

LEARNING NUGGET

To a large extent, the way we are and the values we live out as individuals reflect the kind of family or organization we belong to. As Christ-committed followers, our lives ought to reflect the values that Jesus embodied and demonstrated during his earthly life as recorded in Scriptures. As members of CCF, how we live our lives should also reflect the core values that are "encoded" in our church DNA.



I. Definition of Core Values

_____ define who we are and how we do things in order to accomplish our mission-vision.

The values that are most important to the organization which guides its decision-making process.

"Culture" of the organization

Examples of Organizations and their "Culture"

- a. Disney
 - Safety
 - Courtesy
 - Fun
 - Efficiency

b. Southwest Airlines

- Warrior spirit (take initiative, care for costumers)
- Servant's heart (treat others with respect)
- Fun-loving attitude
- Bring cost down

c. Ritz Carlton Hotel

"We are ladies and gentlemen serving ladies and gentlemen."

- Genuine care & comfort of the guests
- Finest personal service & facilities
- Fulfills even the unexpressed wishes & needs of the guests

II. CCF Core Values

Biblical values that we practice in order to accomplish our mission and vision:

L ove God, Love Others

O bey God's Word and Authorities

V olunteer

E ngage the Family

A. Love God, Love Others

1. The _____ commandment.

"Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?" And He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the great and foremost commandment."

"The second is like it, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments depend the whole Law and the Prophets."

Matthew 22:36–40

If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same."

Luke 6:32–33

"But I say to you who hear, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you."

Luke 6:27–28

2. Love is our most _____.

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." John 13:34–35

3. Love is the _____.

"In everything, therefore, treat people the same way you want them to treat you, for this is the Law and the Prophets." Matthew 7:12

- Loving God is the sum of all moral obligations.
- Loving one another is the sum of all moral ethics.
- 4. Love is best practiced in _____.
 - Encourage one another
 - Stimulate one another to love and good deeds
 - Admonish one another
 - Comfort one another
 - Serve one another
- 5. Necessity of small groups

"and let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds, not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another; and all the more as you see the day drawing near."

Hebrews 10:24-25

EXPRESS

Individually answer the reflection questions, then share your honest assessment and ideas with your small group.

- a. Is there anything or anyone in my life that competes with my affection for God?
- b. Do I consistently show love to my family, friends, and co-workers?
- c. Do I gossip? Do I speak the truth in love?
- d. Rate yourself in terms of how well you live out this core value:

1	2	3	4
Not True	Somewhat True	True	Very True

Love for God and Others



Give 1–2 specific action points you will take in the next two weeks for you to live out the core value below better.

1. Core Value 1: Sacrificial Love for God and Others *Action Points:*

SESSION 4 CORE VALUES 2

EXPLORE

Share to the group what are some of the personal core values that are most important to you before you were a Christian. How did you come to have those core values and what changes in your core values took place when you became a believer? What does those new core values mean to you now?

LEARNING NUGGET

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All of us hold to some kind of core values that we acquired and developed in the course of our existence here on earth, whether positive or negative depending on our experiences. But when we come to know the Lord and surrender our lives to Him, the core values that we should have now must be the values of Christ. And that is what it means to be a follower of Christ. Here in this session, we will also learn more of the core values that we have as a community of believers that we should also live out to become a genuine follower of Christ.



B. Obey God's Word and Authorities

1. Obey God's Word

By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and observe His commandments. For <u>this is the</u> <u>love of God</u>, that <u>we keep His commandments</u>; and His commandments are not burdensome.

1 John 5:2–3

Jesus answered and said to him, *"If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word*; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our abode with him. *He who does not love Me does not keep My words;* ... John 14:23–24

All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work. **2 Timothy 3:16–17**

2. Obey God's ordained ______.

Every person is to be in subjection to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those which exist are established by God. Therefore whoever resists authority has opposed the ordinance of God; and they who have opposed will receive condemnation upon themselves. **Romans 13:1–2**

Parental Authority

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. Honor your father and mother (which is the first commandment with a promise), so that it may be well with you, and that you may live long on the earth.

Ephesians 6:1–3

Husband's Authority

Wives, be subject to your own husbands, as to the Lord. **Ephesians 5:22**

Employer

Servants, be submissive to your masters with all respect, not only to those who are good and gentle, but also to those who are unreasonable.

1 Peter 2:18

Church Leadership

Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they keep watch over your souls as those who will give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with grief, for this would be unprofitable for you.

Hebrews 13:17

Government

Submit yourselves for the Lord's sake to every human institution, whether to a king as the one in authority for such is the will of God that by doing right you may silence the ignorance of foolish men.

1 Peter 2:13,15

3. Obedience _____ our faith.

We believe God is ______ over human authorities.

The king's heart is like channels of water in the hand of the Lord; He turns it wherever He wishes. **Proverbs 21:1**

4. Exceptions to obeying authorities

Obey always, except when it is clearly against the Word of God.

But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than men." Acts 5:29

5. Blessings of Obedience

- For our protection
- For our guidance
- For knowing God's will
- For our character
- For our spiritual growth faith

EXPRESS

Individually answer the reflection questions, then share your honest assessment and ideas with your small group.

- a. How often do I read and meditate on the Bible?
- b. Do I trust and obey what the Scriptures tell me to do?
- c. How is my attitude toward my authorities?
- d. Rate yourself in terms of how well you live out this core value of:

1	2	3	4
Not True	Somewhat True	True	Very True

Obey God's Word and Authorities



C. Volunteer

1. Service flows from _____.

For you were called to freedom, brethren; only do not turn your freedom into an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.

Galatians 5:13

2. We are _____ to serve.

For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them.

Ephesians 2:10

3. We are _____ to serve.

As each one has received a special gift, employ it in serving one another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. **1 Peter 4:10**

4. Every member must be _____.

And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ; **Ephesians 4:11–12**

5. Every member a ______.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light.

1 Peter 2:9

- 6. Volunteer with _____.
 - 1. Time
 - 2. Talent
 - 3. Treasure
 - 4. Influence



Individually answer the reflection questions, then share your honest assessment and ideas with your small group.

- a. Am I actively involved in any CCF ministry and/or small group?
- b. Am I discipling anybody?
- c. Rate yourself in terms of how well you live out this core value:

1	2	3	4
Not True	Somewhat True	True	Very True

Volunteer


D. Engage the Family

1. Discipleship _____ at home.

These are the commands, decrees and laws the Lord your God directed me to teach you to observe in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to possess, 2 so that you, your children and their children after them may fear the LORD your God as long as you live by keeping all his decrees and commands that I give you, and so that you may enjoy long life.

Deuteronomy 6:1–2

"Hear, O Israel! The LORD is our God, the LORD is one! You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. These words, which I am commanding you today, shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your sons and shall talk of them when you sit in your house and when you walk by the way and when you lie down and when you rise up.

Deuteronomy 6:4–7

He must be one who manages his own household well, keeping his children under control with all dignity (but if a man does not know how to manage his own household, how will he take care of the church of God?)

1 Timothy 3:4-5

2. Leaders must have a healthy ______life.

Deacons must be husbands of only one wife, and good managers of their children and their own households. **1 Timothy 3:12**

3. Husband and wives should model _____ together as a team.

...But when Priscilla and Aquila heard him, they took him aside and explained to him the way of God more accurately. **Acts 18:26**

4. Family relationships are _____.

Do not sharply rebuke an older man, but rather appeal to him as a <u>father</u>, to the younger men as <u>brothers</u>, the older women as <u>mothers</u>, and the younger women as <u>sisters</u>, in all purity. 1 Timothy 5:1–2

5. Healthy family ensures a spiritual legacy and brings ______ to God.

...But when Priscilla and Aquila heard him, they took him aside and explained to him the way of God more accurately. **Acts 18:26**

> "The light that shines farthest shines brightest at home." " C. T. Studd



Individually answer the reflection questions, then share your honest assessment and ideas with your small group.

- a. Am I intentional in discipling and spending time with my family?
- b. Am I a good model in teaching Biblical values?
- c. Are my children honoring and serving the Lord?
- d. Rate yourself in terms of how well you live out this core value of:

1	2	3	4
Not True	Somewhat True	True	Very True

Engage the Family



Identify which of the core values that we discussed in this lesson you need to practice more. Give 1-2 specific action points you will take in the next two weeks for you to live out the last 3 core values better.

- 1. Core Value 2: Obey God's Word and Authorities *Action Points:*
- 2. Core Value 3: Volunteer Action Points:
- 3. Core Value 4: Engage the Family *Action Points:*

CCF Membership

After going through the CCF DNA module, we challenge you and your Dgroup members (if you are a Dgroup Leader) to commit to be part of the CCF family. After learning what CCF's Mission, Vision and Core Values are, you are now ready to proceed to the next step of your discipleship journey, which is becoming a CCF member. We are hoping that you will go through all of these things as a sign of your commitment to be a CCF member:

- A. Commit to the Membership Covenant. Turn in your signed membership application.
- B. Commit to attend the GLC Modules and Programs
- C. Join the CCF training seminars, retreats, classes, and other events.
- D. Join the water baptism class and be baptized, if you have not yet been baptized.
- E. Join a small group for spiritual growth and serve in various CCF ministries.
- F. Regularly attend worship services and invite others to come as well.

(ccf) CHRIST'S COMMISSION FELLOWSHIP

Membership Survey Form

LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, MIDDLE NAME

HOME ADDRESS				
CELL PHONE NUMBER	OFFICE NUMBER		RESIDENCE NUMBER	
CIVIL STATUS		E-MAIL ADDRESS		
HAVE BEEN WORSHIPPING IN CCF FOR: weeks months years				
DGROUP MEMB IF DGROUP MEMBER, INDIC FULL NAME OF YOUR LEAE	ATE	No		
HOW DID YOU LEARN ABOUT C	CF? Walk-	in Bible	Study Small Group	
IF INVITED, INDICATE NAME THE PERSON WHO INVITED Y		at 🗌 Invite	ed	
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CCF CHRIST'S COMMISSION FELLOWSHIP

Membership Covenant

Having received Christ as my Lord and Savior, I am led by the Holy Spirit to formally covenant myself to God and unite with other family members of Christ's Commission Fellowship to do the following:

- 1. I will follow Jesus Christ by knowing, loving, obeying and bringing honor to His name. (2Pet 3:18, Mark 12:30, Jn 14:15, 1 Cor 10:31).
- I will join a discipleship group (Dgroup), fellowship with other believers, worship at Christ's Commission Fellowship and refuse to gossip. (Acts 2:42,Psalm 95:6-7, Eph 4:29)
- I will participate in fulfilling CCF's Mission and Vision, live out its Core Values as I fully embrace its Statement of Faith and follow its strategy for making Christ-committed followers who will make Christcommitted followers. (Hebrews 13:17, 1 Timothy 2:1-2, Ephesians 4:11-12, 2 Corinthians 9:7).

NAME: _____

SIGNATURE OVER PRINTED NAME

DATE:

WHAT'S NEXT? BOOK 5: STARTING POINT FOR SMALL GROUPS

You are now a few steps away from completing the GLC 1 Essentials Training.

To complete and continue with the GLC 2 Essentials Training (Books 5 to 8), please fulfill the following:

- Finish Books 1-4 (if done in small groups, Dgroup leader to use the GLC in Small Groups Accreditation Form)
- Register as a Dgroup Member with DM
- Accomplish the GLC 1 Life App
- Attend a True Life (Encounter 1) retreat

We encourage you to continue your training with GLC Book 5: Starting Point for Small Groups, it will further equip you with the Biblical mindset for making disciples, as well as make you aware of your roles in the lives of your current or future disciples.

Thank you very much and may God continue to enrich your walk through GLC!

APPENDIX A ANSWER KEY

SESSION 1: Mission and Vision

EXAMINE

DEFINITION

<u>Mission</u> defines what we do. <u>Vision</u> is a picture of what will happen if we fulfill our mission.

BENEFITS OF A CLEAR MISSION AND VISION

- A. Determines our priority.
- B. Keeps us **focused**.
- C. Aligns our members and leadership team
- D. Reduces *frustration*.
- E. Inspires cooperation.
- F. Assists evaluation.
- G. Mobilizes like-minded people.
- H. Protects the organization
- I. **Promotes** unity
- J. Prepares us for eternity.

SESSION 2: CCF Strategy

EXAMINE

I. WHAT A STRATEGY IS

• A plan of action that enables us to accomplish our mission and vision.

III. STRATEGY

- 1. Every Member a **Discipler**.
- 2. On-the-job training

- 3. Small Group
 - Small Group Discipleship is our basic structure and main ministry in CCF.
 - It is the model used by Jesus.
- 4. Multiplication

SESSION 3: Core Values 1

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EXAMINE

I. DEFINITION OF CORE VALUES

<u>Core values</u> define who we are and how we do things in order to accomplish our mission-vision.

II. CCF CORE VALUES

A. Love God, Love Others

- 1. The greatest commandment.
- 2. Love is our most effective witness.
- 3. Love is the **sum of the law**.
- 4. Love is best practiced in **small groups**.

SESSION 4: Core Values 2

EXAMINE

B. Obey God's Word And Authorities

- 2. Obey God's ordained **authorities**.
- Obedience <u>stretches</u> our faith.
 We believe God is <u>sovereign</u> over human authorities.

C. Volunteer

- 1. Service flows from <u>love</u>.
- 2. We are <u>saved</u> to serve.
- 3. We are **<u>gifted</u>** to serve.
- 4. Every member must be **trained**.
- 5. Every member a *minister-discipler*.
- 6. Volunteer with what you have.

D. Engage the Family

- 1. Discipleship **begins** at home.
- 2. Leaders must have a healthy **home** life.
- 3. Husband and wives should model **<u>serving</u>** together as a team.
- 4. Family relationships are **<u>foundational</u>**.
- Healthy family ensures a spiritual legacy and brings <u>honor</u> to God.

APPENDIX B CCF STATEMENT OF FAITH

ABOUT THE BIBLE

We believe that the Bible, composed of 39 Old Testament books and 27 New Testament books, is the Word of God, supernaturally inspired, inerrant in its original form, infallible, so that it is our supreme authority in all matters of faith, doctrine and conduct.

ABOUT GOD

We believe that there is only one GOD eternally existent in three persons – Father, Son and Holy Spirit. He is the Creator of Heaven and Earth.

ABOUT JESUS CHRIST

We believe that Jesus Christ in the flesh was both God and Man, that He was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of a virgin. He lived a sinless life. He was crucified and He died to pay the penalty of death for our sins.

By His shed blood, the Lord Jesus Christ made a perfect sacrifice for sin once and for all time and was raised from the dead on the third day.

Later He ascended to the Father's right hand where He is the Head of the Church and intercedes for believers. We believe He is coming again to the Earth bodily and visibly to set up His Kingdom.

ABOUT THE HOLY SPIRIT

We believe that the Holy Spirit is God and possesses all the Divine attributes. He indwells all believers, baptizes and seals all believers at the moment they trust in Jesus Christ to be their only Savior and Lord. He controls and empowers all true believers to live the Christian life in response to their obedience, confession of sin, and yieldness to Him.

ABOUT SALVATION

We believe that Salvation, with its forgiveness of sins, impartation of a new nature, and eternal life, is a free gift from God received when a person trusts in Jesus Christ to be their only Savior and Lord. Salvation is given by God's grace and cannot be earned by man through good works, baptism, church membership or any other means. (Ephesians 2:8–9)

ABOUT GOOD WORKS

We believe that good works are not the means of salvation but are the expected product in the life of a true believer in Christ. It is every believer's responsibility to pursue a life of good works through the power of the indwelling Holy Spirit.

ABOUT EVERY CHRISTIAN'S MISSION

We believe that it is God's will and command for every Christian to be actively engaged in telling others how to establish a personal relationship with God through faith in Jesus Christ and in discipling those who respond to this good news of salvation pursuant to Matthew 28:18–20.

ABOUT BAPTISM

We believe that water baptism by immersion is an act of obedience to Christ's command. It is a public confession of our personal faith in Jesus Christ (Matthew 28:19).

ABOUT THE CHURCH

The universal church is composed of all true believers who have trusted in Christ as their Lord and Savior and are committed to follow Him. The local church is composed of believers in a specific locality who have chosen to abide by that local church's Mission, Vision, Core Values and Statements of Faith.

ABOUT MARRIAGE

We believe that marriage is the uniting of one man and one woman in a single, exclusive union, as delineated in Scripture. (Genesis 2:18–25.) We believe that God intends sexual intimacy to occur only between a man and a woman who are married to each other. (1 Corinthians 6:18; 7:2-5; Hebrews 13:4)

Because God has ordained marriage and defined it as the covenant relationship between a man, a woman, and Himself, CCF will only recognize and solemnize marriages between a biological man and a biological woman who are committed to follow Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior.

ABOUT GENDER

We believe that God wonderfully and immutably creates each person as biologically male or biologically female. These two distinct, complementary genders together reflect the image and nature of God. (Genesis 1:26-27.) Rejection of one's biological sex is a rejection of the image of God within that person.

ABOUT THE SANCTITY OF HUMAN LIFE

We believe that all human life is sacred and created by God in His image. Human life is of inestimable worth in all its dimensions, including pre-born babies, the aged, the physically or mentally challenged, and every other stage or condition from conception through natural death.

This statement of faith does not exhaust the extent of our beliefs. We believe that the Bible itself, as the inspired and infallible Word of God that speaks with final authority concerning truth, morality, and the proper conduct of mankind, is the sole and final source of all that we believe.

CCF's Board of Elders is the final interpretive authority on the Bible's meaning and application and shall have final authority in all matters of church governance, as set forth and described in these By-Laws.