

# The Work of Evangelism at the Blue Ridge Church of Christ

# Goals of this Presentation

- If you are participating in this work:
  - Give you encouragement to keep up the work!
- If you are not currently participating or want to participate more:
  - To give you an idea of the many ways in which you can contribute to the work of evangelism.
- For every member at Blue Ridge to be participating wholeheartedly in this work

# The Great Commission

Matthew 28:18-20 NASB And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. 19 "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

# The Great Commission

Mark 16:15-16 NASB And He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation. 16 "He who has believed and has been baptized shall be saved; but he who has disbelieved shall be condemned.

# The Role of the Church

1 Timothy 3:14-15 NASB I am writing these things to you, hoping to come to you before long; 15 but in case I am delayed, I write so that you will know how one ought to conduct himself in the household of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and support of the truth.

1 Thessalonians 1:8 NASB 8 For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you, not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but also in every place your faith toward God has gone forth, so that we have no need to say anything.

# Individual Responsibility

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

Matthew 10:32 NASB "Therefore everyone who confesses Me before men, I will also confess him before My Father who is in heaven.

1 Peter 3:15 NASB but sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts, always being ready to make a defense to everyone who asks you to give an account for the hope that is in you, yet with gentleness and reverence;

# Evangelism at Blue Ridge

- Local Preaching

# Local Preaching: How You Can Help

- Attend faithfully
- Participate wholeheartedly
- Invite and bring others
- Pray for me and my work here



# Praying for the Minister of the Gospel

2 Thessalonians 3:1 NASB 1 Finally, brethren, pray for us that the word of the Lord will spread rapidly and be glorified, just as it did also with you;

Romans 15:30-31 NASB Now I urge you, brethren, by our Lord Jesus Christ and by the love of the Spirit, to strive together with me in your prayers to God for me, 31 that I may be rescued from those who are disobedient in Judea, and that my service for Jerusalem may prove acceptable to the saints;

# Local Preaching: How You Can Help

- Attend faithfully
- Participate wholeheartedly
- Invite others
- Pray for me and my work here
- Provide feedback
- Give liberally to the local church

# Evangelism at Blue Ridge

- Local Preaching
- Sunday School Classes

# Sunday School Classes: How You Can Help

- Pray for the classes
- Attend faithfully
- Come prepared
- Participate in class
- Invite and bring others
- Teach or assist a teacher
- Thank the teachers regularly

# Evangelism at Blue Ridge

- Local Preaching
- Sunday School Classes
- Home Bible Studies

# Home Bible Studies: How You Can Help

- Pray for these Home studies
- Show hospitality to our visitors
- Participate in letter-writing
- Offer a study to those you know
- Participate in studies

# Evangelism at Blue Ridge

- Local Preaching
- Sunday School Classes
- Home Bible Studies
- Gospel Meetings

# Gospel Meetings: How You Can Help

- Attend faithfully
- Invite and bring others
- Pray for our meetings
- Show hospitality to the visiting preacher
- Send a note/card/email of appreciation



# Evangelism at Blue Ridge

- Local Preaching
- Sunday School Classes
- Home Bible Studies
- Gospel Meetings
- The Church Building

# The Church Building: How You Can Help

- Volunteer
  - Clean the building
  - Maintain the grounds
- Give Liberally

# Evangelism at Blue Ridge

- Local Preaching
- Sunday School Classes
- Home Bible Studies
- Gospel Meetings
- The Church Building
- Web Site

# The Website: How You Can Help

- Visit the website and make suggestions and corrections
- Link to the website from your homepage or blog
- Include the website on your personal email

<http://www.blueridgecoc.org>

# Evangelism at Blue Ridge

- Local Preaching
- Sunday School Classes
- Home Bible Studies
- Gospel Meetings
- The Church Building
- Web Site
- Bible Correspondence Courses

# Bible Correspondence: How You Can Help

- Pray for this work
- Advertise it

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# What is your level of participation in the work of evangelism?

- Working hard
- Would like to do more



# How You Can Help

- Praying for the work
- Financially supporting the work
- Inviting friends to home Bible studies or worship services
- Handing out enrollment coupons for correspondence course
- Hosting a Bible study in your home

# How You Can Help

- Supporting home Bible studies by attending
- Teaching/learning to teach home Bible studies
- Helping build up and establish new Christians
- Baby-sitting for those who teach
- Baby-sitting for those who attend home Bible studies
- Other ways

# What would be the result of every member being involved?

- Blessings to the local congregation
- Blessings to the world
- Glory to Christ the head of the church

# Glory to God

2 Corinthians 4:15 NASB 15 For all things are for your sakes, so that the grace which is spreading to more and more people may cause the giving of thanks to abound to the glory of God.

1 Peter 4:11 NASB Whoever speaks, is to do so as one who is speaking the utterances of God; whoever serves is to do so as one who is serving by the strength which God supplies; so that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belongs the glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.