

**IGNITING A
SPIRITUAL REVOLUTION
A FIELD MANUAL**

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To my father, James Watt, who taught me to see His vision.

To my mother, Leilani Watt, who taught me to cling to Him.

To my wife, Becky, from whom I draw strength to fulfill His purpose.

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PREFACE

There are seasons of history – times when the past fades from view and the future becomes clear.

Today a new era is dawning across the earth. With more than half of the world's population under the age of 25, a changing of the guard is taking place.

The next generation of Christians is desperate for fresh vision and practical direction. We want to learn from the heroic efforts of the past but also avoid the things that have hindered the Church in years gone by.

This book is about a vision and a plan. The vision must be of Jesus and millions of worshippers around His throne. The plan is a step-by-step field manual that empowers every believer to help fulfill the Great Commission.

Join us. We are igniting a spiritual revolution!

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*We belong to a network of revolutionaries
who enter Muslim villages risking their lives to
bring the "injl" (Gospel);
who walk the streets of Beijing, preaching -
praying for a bed at night,
live in hiding to be the daily voice of Jesus in Iran,
ride their bikes village to village in Burkina Faso
to win them to Jesus,
take their medical skills to Central Asia
and start church planting movements.*

*We belong to a network of revolutionaries who,
despite great suffering and persecution,
stand against oppressive governments;
equip 300,000 Chinese house church leaders,
lease whole trains to claim 87 cities in India for
Christ; direct thousands of child-at-risk projects,
tell 700 million people about Jesus in one year.*

*We belong to a network of revolutionaries
who cook, clean, and care for kids
while praying hell away;
who prayer walk in Buddhist temples until the
demon power is gone,
who talk to kings, live in hiding, and
forsake families.*

We belong to a network of revolutionaries

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*who infiltrate the darkness,
restore life to the "killing fields,"
worship Jesus in mosques,
preach in temples,
pull down strongholds, make demons tremble.*

*We belong to a network of revolutionaries
who are walking dead men;
who believe death is better than the status quo,
whose lives are not our own.*

*We belong to a network of revolutionaries
whose commander-in-chief is Jesus,
whose navigator is the Holy Spirit,
whose power comes from the only God.*

*We look at schools, family, cities and countries
in spiritual terms.*

We take them back for our King.

Not by force, but by denial.

*Not by attracting a crowd,
but by picking up our cross.*

*We are nameless, faceless and serve only one --
JESUS.*

It's revolution or death.



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*I am nothing but a spokesman.
I invite you to join.*

*For years we have labored quietly, beneath the
shadows of those who have gone before. We have
made the commitment to postpone our reward,
neglecting it in the present to offer it eternally
to the King in Heaven.*

*What compels us?
What is the undeniable passion that fuels
the beginning of a spiritual revolution?
It is a love for our Eternal Savior
and a vision of the multitudes
worshipping in Heaven.*

*We glimpse a world larger than we can imagine,
with more people than we can count,
around a throne reaching higher than we can see.*

*Billions of players, singers, dancers,
and worshippers
are gathered in an eternal choir
to praise the King of Kings.
We crave the vision.
We wish everyone could be there.
We know some will reject it.*

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*But we are stabbed to the heart
when we know many will not be there
because they have never heard of Christ.*

*Why?
They have not heard because
no one is preaching to them.
No one has been sent.
Until now.*

*A spiritual revolution is needed.
Our generation is rising
to meet it's moment of destiny.
A storm is brewing;
change is coming.*

*One day soon
all the earth will hear and know.
All the earth will bow down.
We will worship Him together.*

PART I
THE VISION

THE VISION

It began on the isle of Patmos. The apostle John was given a revelation of Heaven and a vision for the church to hear and heed: "After this I looked and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and in front of the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. And they cried out in a loud voice: Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb" (Rev. 7:9-10).

This is the vision – the day for which we dream. It is a portrait of a world larger than we can imagine, populated by more people than we can count, surrounding a throne bigger than we can see, endlessly praising the King of Kings. Millions of African drummers, Chinese string-players, Arab singers, American guitarists, British flautists, Russian dancers and more are gathered in a choir of billions. Telling all of their testimonies would take more than a trillion days.

The vision is more than a daydream for us. It is not something that we ponder in our free time. It has captured all our time, our resources and our energy.

Many people today have taken their eyes off the beauty of the vision, settling for the mundane and monotonous. We are not here to convince or persuade those who are comfortable in their role as a

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part of the status quo. Yet, others are hungry to live out their life with meaning and passion. We are here to give leadership, direction and fuel to those whose hearts beat with ours.

We are not seeking to be heroes – just servants. We do not have the credentials or the accolades of those in control. We know we are not the most qualified, but we cannot wait any longer. Our time has come. We must one day stand before the throne giving account of what we have done for the King.

Let the spiritual revolution begin!

PART II
THE CHALLENGE

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Today, the Church has approximately 1.8 billion baptized members. An estimated 3.3 billion have access and may have heard the Gospel but have not yet accepted Jesus as their Lord and Savior.

However, over 1.6 billion people—nearly as many as the number of Christians themselves—have never heard of Christ, Christianity or the Gospel. While the Scripture promises that "God has not left himself without a witness" (Acts 14:17) there are thousands of nations, tribes, peoples and languages which, as far as we know, will not stand before the Throne - because they have no knowledge of Christ.

Unfortunately, even in places that once embraced Christianity (such as North Africa, Egypt, India and Iraq) hostile governments and competing faiths have stripped away the presence of the Gospel. In the past, generations have made attempts to evangelize the world. Now it is our turn. We must not shrink back from our responsibility and the opportunity before us. We have the resources. On a global scale there are more than 5 million Christian workers laboring every day to win the souls of men and women. Each day sees 122,000 people become newly-baptized church members, 500 new churches formed, another \$41 million has been raised for the cause of global foreign missions, another 12 million Scriptures and Scripture-ports distributed. Single evangelistic campaigns have been responsible for not millions, but hundreds

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of millions of people evangelized.

In spite of the tremendous momentum and effort made by Christians all over the world, the last century ended without the vision being realized.

Why? What can we learn from the past to give us courage for the future?

Perhaps one of the most important lessons is stewardship. During the greatest economic boom the world has known, many Christians have paid attention to their own concerns while neglecting the dire needs of the forgotten unreached.

This is not to say that good was not done. Immeasurable advancements were made in science, technology, healthcare and peace. But, if we were honest enough to admit it, a bird's eye view would show immense resources being blocked by personal ambition, misdirected by selfishness and sin, and hoarded by apathy from those who need them the most.

This sounds painful, but it is true. Though there were great plans made for the past century, we as a Church enter this millennium more broken by our frailties and more divided from each other than we were a century ago. We look inward at our disagreements far more than we look outward to the needs of the world.

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While we should not stop the nurturing and discipling process needed in the Church, we should listen to the gentle voice of our Savior saying, "I have other sheep not of this fold. I must bring them also" (John 10:16). We should increase our spiritual responsibility to include the needs of those who have yet to hear; the poor, the neglected, the downcast and the unreached among us.

To see the vision become a reality, a courageous new course needs to be charted. We do not need to continue the momentum of almost reaching the goal but still leaving 1.6 billion people without hope of a relationship with Christ. We have many lessons to learn from the past. We have the opportunity and the resources before us.

Out of the deserted ruins comes a global generation, a remnant army of wounded healers, devoted to Jesus and willing to suffer for His name. God has taken many of us, diverse in heritage and nationality, and knit us together in worship and devotion to Jesus for the cause of the unreached.

We know what should be done.

One question remains: Do we have the will?

PART III
THE REMNANT

The Remnant

During the 1970s and 1980s, a new generation of leaders began rising, sensing a call to strive for the unimaginable and to live for the day Jesus returns. The Lord opened our eyes to see and believe the vision was possible: that Christ could be introduced to the entire unevangelized world. Perhaps this is your story, and you are one of us.

Our preparation for this day has come through unusual ways and divine opportunities. Many of us have endured experiences in the world that have left us wounded and indelibly marked. We have learned to survive, to value trust, honesty and relationships. We have learned much of healing, reconciliation, practical action and the need for spiritual fathers who can guide us.

The Remnant prize relationships above all. We commit to one another around a common vision, asking later about jobs, titles, statements of faith, and organizational ties. We use the tools of technology to stay in touch, deepening our relational covenant and furthering our common commitment. Our friendships have blossomed into a vast network of talents and resources, held together by common vision and calling, stretching globally across the 10/40 Window and organizationally across

denominational and agency lines. Through this network, knowledge, experience and opportunities have flowed.

Our passion and zeal for the vision and the call of God has drawn us together in ways organizational allegiance could not. Our core unifier is worship and a radical devotion to Jesus that compels us to act. We experience things together first, learn from one another and then walk hand in hand into the future.

Our priority is ministry that results in the vision of the Throne. The Gospel for every person and a church for every people is a mere beginning. We are committed to thriving church planting movements that are self-sustaining and globally interdependent. This is our primary duty of worship to the Lord.

The mission movements of the late 20th century provided a healthy atmosphere for us to grow and flourish as emerging leaders. We know God's heart is for experienced wisdom to "father" youthful zeal. With the honor and respect due our elders, we seek advice, counsel and wisdom—but not to follow a well-worn path. We are not interested in taking over existing organizations. We want to chart new courses that blaze toward the unreached.

We are driven, not by theological, doctrinal or

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positional statements, but by the vision of the Throne. We are absolutely committed to this: everyone should be given the opportunity to worship before the Lamb.

In this new millennium, we face our kairos moment, our meeting with destiny. We wonder: What will be said of us? That we did not take our opportunity seriously—that we shirked our responsibility, and let millions of unevangelized souls slip away? No!

We are willing to sear the soles of our feet in the burning sands of the Middle East. We are willing to expose our skin among the diseased. We are willing to freeze our fingers and toes in the heights of the Tibetan mountains. We are willing to feel the words of derision, the sting of stones, the heat of flames, the piercing pain of a nail. We are willing to spill our blood as martyrs on the dry and dusty soil of the forgotten lands, if we can only look into the eyes of hopeless children, wipe away the tears, bring a cup of cold water, and tell The Story.

The only question is, how?

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This is not the time for more of the same. Business as usual and goals of incremental growth will not get the job done. If the Lord deserves the honor, power, dominion and authority from all of the ethnic peoples of the earth -- something has to change!

We are calling for a wholesale change in Christianity. We do not want to change the content. We do want to see it lived out by every believer. We long for a global renewal so visible that everyone in the world will be able to mark this as a new period in history.

Spiritual revolution must begin with us and spread like a wildfire across the earth. To fulfill the Vision we choose to restrain ourselves from all that we could enjoy so that all may enjoy Him.

How? We live out His truth. We walk in His steps and we are guided by the principles of the Kingdom.

PART V

THE FIVE TRUTHS

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Every revolution is based on a cause. Ours is Jesus: nothing more, nothing less.

We base our lives on the core truths of Scripture that have been handed down to us from our spiritual fathers. These five essential truths act as the foundation for our daily walk.

The Five Truths

- 1) I base my life on Jesus and His Word
- 2) As a sacrifice of Worship
- 3) In Fellowship with Others
- 4) As a Witness to the World
- 5) I am willing to live like Jesus.

I base my life on Jesus and His Word.

Begin every day in prayer. Prize your relationship with Jesus over all else. Seek new heights of prayer, new depths in your conversation with God, and new ways to worship Him.

Our lifestyle must be based and centered on God's Word. We are passionate about consuming the Word. We memorize it, delve into it, study it, meditate on it and live its truths everyday.

Though we are not perfect, we fix our eyes only on the One who is. Our daily prayers and meditation on

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Jesus and His Word work to transform our will, emotions and spirit to the image of Jesus.

As a Sacrifice of Worship

The minimum requirement of worship is to present ourselves to Jesus as a living sacrifice. Our longings, desires, expectations and dreams are given over to God as an act of worship.

Selfish ambition and the drive to be successful are no longer terms in our vocabulary. We die to our own desires because through death to ourselves He lives in us.

Jesus alone is the instructor of our hearts, and we dedicate ourselves to be living witnesses, a demonstration of worship with clean hands and pure hearts.

In Fellowship with Others

Just as we belong to Jesus, we must belong to one another. Compelled by our faith in Christ and a vision for spiritual revolution in the world, we choose for our own spiritual strength to come through humility, brokenness, and real vulnerability.

God's grace and presence grow stronger in our lives as we walk together in faith. We have experienced

and daily ask Him to release His supernatural gifts for the common good.

We are stronger together than we could ever be apart. From all over the earth we come, and one day from every tongue, tribe and nation we will sing and worship the Lamb.

Until that day we walk together in Christ committed in fellowship to serve and honor each other.

As a Witness to the World

We were designed to be witnesses of what we have seen and heard about Jesus. It is true that we experience the daily presence of God and have been given the gift of eternal life, but our passion is for Jesus and the expansion of His Kingdom throughout the world, and not for ourselves alone.

We sacrifice the temporary pleasures of this world in order to experience the eternal pleasure of God. Our commitment to Jesus and to one another fuels the passion for every person to know God through the Savior – Jesus Christ.

We worship Him alone, seeking the invasion of God into our lives. Everyday we come into His presence and live as witnesses to the Truth and the vitality of our faith in Him.

Our mission will be complete when the whole world has had an opportunity to taste the sweetness of a relationship with Jesus. We know this requires us to take the message beyond our friends and families to the very ends of the earth.

Engaged in spiritual battle, we choose to follow God's leading as a family of witnesses, making disciples in every country, every language and in every community. We know the Gospel has been preached many times in some parts of the world, and for this we give thanks. But we are not satisfied until the seeds of the Kingdom are growing and multiplying throughout the earth.

We will work until the last person hears and follows Jesus.

Willing to live like Jesus

The goal set before us is eternal paradise with God and continual fellowship with one another. Knowing Jesus and being like Him means that we must live and walk in the same manner.

We are willing to suffer shame, mental and physical agony and even persecution because we know that even these darkest of trials will refine our spirits into His image. We are unafraid of spiritual conflict and

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will not flinch at threats, slanderous words or physical torment.

Our Savior is Jesus and becoming like Him is our ultimate purpose. As He told the world the way to God, so we do the same. He suffered, and so will we.

We are ready. We do not choose suffering, but we do choose Jesus and welcome whatever it takes to be like Him and to share his message with others.

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THE SIX ORDERS

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Our vision is worshipping the Lamb around the throne room of heaven. Our cause is to be like Jesus. Our mission is to follow in His steps.

We commit to daily live out the Five Truths and to tune our spiritual ears to the voice and presence and the direction of the Holy Spirit.

Spiritual revolution demands that we sacrifice our own ambition and career paths to follow Christ in announcing and expanding the Kingdom. Jesus demonstrated to His disciples a pattern of ministry and commissioned them to follow Him. There were six orders from Luke 10.

The Six Orders

- 1) Ask God where He is going, then join Him
- 2) Walk in faith and obedience, trusting Him to provide
- 3) Seek out the God-hungry "men of peace"
- 4) Invite God to encounter the "men of peace"
- 5) Baptize them and teach them to obey
- 6) Go with the "men of peace" proclaiming the Kingdom to their family and friends

Ask God where He is going, then join Him

The God of the Universe is on a mission to win the entire world back to Himself through His Son, Jesus. He is all-powerful, ever-present and yet very personal.

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He has a strategic plan. We sacrifice our own agendas and follow Him. Our ultimate pleasure comes not through great "exploits" but in abiding in His presence.

Spiritual revolution begins in our lives when we deny ourselves the right to self-benefiting prayers and joyfully open our hearts to His revelation for others. We are conduits of His blessings, not containers.

God is passionate to reveal His plan showing us where He is moving. We choose to have ears to hear and feet that walk away from the snares of worldly pursuit and toward Him.

We are desperate for God's daily supernatural intervention on earth – His Kingdom on earth as it is in heaven. Knowing that we are finite and simple minded we turn our attention and energy to adoration and worshipping the only Wise One. We come into His presence and through worship align ourselves with Him waiting for the revelation of His direction.

Through prayer we humbly follow where the Spirit of God is moving. We are confident in the One who always brings goodness and order from chaos and moves miraculously in history.

We commit to be "still" until we hear a defined plan of action. He will tell us where to walk, with whom

we should talk and point us to the unveiling of His glory in our lives and among the nations.

Walk in faith and obedience, trusting Him to provide

When the revelation comes we obey. We have faith in Him and the Holy Spirit sent to lead and guide us into all truth (John 16:13-14).

We measure every revelation by His Word, by our fellowship with others and by prayer – then we obey.

The spiritual revelation is always about Him. It changes us but is meant as a transforming witness in our lives. When we come before Him in prayer, God speaks to our spirits through the Scriptures, with mental pictures or visions and with dreams. We do not limit His patterns of communication, nor do we hinder His revelation.

While there is nothing more enjoyable than joining the mission of God, there is nothing more empty than watching Him work from a distance.

We whole-heartedly commit to obey the vision He gives. We will wait until it is clear, write it out, make it plain to others and then walk it out.

We obey the revelation. When this means that we seek forgiveness, we come humbly before our brother

or sister. When it means that we re-arrange everything in our lives, even moving to another city where He is about to pour out His spirit, we count the cost and obey His voice.

Our lives are inter-connected with one another. Walking out God's revelation is always done in community with others. We believe there is tremendous protection and power in healthy accountability with others.

We remain focused on the vision and His divine revelation in order to avoid temporal distractions. We choose to depend on God's supernatural provision and see Him as the source of every financial, physical, emotional and spiritual blessing.

We measure every action by His revelation, not on our own personal needs. We know He will provide for us when we walk in obedience to the revelation.

Look for the God-hungry "men of peace"

Our revelation of Him and His passion for the world always leads us to God-hungry "men of peace." Often not believers, God-hungry people are seekers of truth and spiritual reality, are receptive to the Gospel, have credibility in the community and use their influence to share the Good News of the heavenly Kingdom. We are drawn to these people based

on their spiritual hunger and lifestyle.

We find the "men of peace" by seeking answers to these questions and asking God for divine revelation:

- Where are spiritual matters discussed in the community?
- When are spiritual matters discussed in the community?
- Who are the leaders that shape the spiritual climate?

We are open to divine revelation like the apostle Peter in the story of the God-hungry person – Cornelius (Acts 10). Peter received a revelation and obeyed it immediately. The Roman centurion eagerly received Peter and listened to the Gospel, inviting his friends and family to also experience God. We expect to meet "the woman at the well" (John 4) whose brokenness was healed by Jesus and whose testimony impacted her entire community.

We believe that God has ordained "men of peace" (or women) to be the conduit for His Kingdom in every community. We will obey His leading as our final instruction.

Invite God to encounter the "men of peace"

When God reveals to us the "men of peace" (like

Cornelius or the woman at the well), we offer to this new friend our own testimony of God's encounter with us through our witness, supernatural wonders and the power of His Word. He is the only God who is love, who is committed to our benefit, who heals, transforms our hearts and saves. We tell His story in our lives, not as facts of history, but as demonstrations of past God encounters.

We extend a simple invitation to encounter God and then ask for the release of His Spirit in our midst. With listening ears we act in total obedience to the direction and instruction of the Spirit. We are willing to pray, to fast or to wait for God to show Himself strong.

When the God-hungry "men of peace" ask to know Him and encounter the only God, we invite them to a real and personal encounter with God. That encounter comes through a turning from the old ways of life (repentance) and a confessing that the One named God's Son, Jesus, is the only way to God (2 Cor. 5:17).

Baptize them and teach them to obey

We believe that our commitment to Christ creates in us a new spiritual nature. We are not without sin, but having died to our own desires, we are free to choose righteousness (Col. 3:1-2).

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We baptize every believer who clings to and believes in Jesus. We declare victory over evil with each cleansing of the heart and make a public mockery of evil by standing with Christ in baptism.

We invite every new believer to be baptized in water as a public profession of faith and a spiritual declaration of ownership. We believe that when the heads of households are baptized first, the family finds protection and nurture with one another.

Go with the "men of peace"proclaiming the Gospel to their friends and family

We believe God has established natural relational lines to grow and multiply the revolution.

Led by the Holy Spirit the believing "men of peace" follow the pattern of encountering God. Each walks out his obedience introducing his friends and family to God by sharing his own God encounter.

Worshipping God and obedience to His Word fuels the fires of spiritual revolution. Encountering the real God is contagious! We commit to find the God-hungry "men of peace," introduce them to God and then coach them in replicating the experience with their friends and families.

The Kingdom comes to those who are God-hungry

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and travels along the lines of trust and respect, reaching every person within their sphere of influence.

God wants to be encountered. He longs to reveal himself to God-hungry people who spread the fires of spiritual revolution.

PART VII
THE SEVEN PRINCIPLES

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The seeds of spiritual revolution have been planted throughout the earth. A spiritual deposit has been made in the hearts and minds of a generation that is unyielding to earthly temptations and consumed by a passion to be a living witness of the Lamb.

We are the Church. We belong to the universal body of believers that is united by the blood of Jesus Christ and gently led by the Holy Spirit.

It is time to open the doors of the buildings where we worship and walk out into the world. Why? The world awaits the hope we have received but will not come to our meetings. We must go to them.

We must no longer keep what is most precious to us inside and hidden from those who need the refreshing, cleansing work of salvation.

As we live the core "Five Truths" and walk out the "Six Orders" from Luke 10, the New Testament provides Seven Principles to guide us in growing and expanding His Church throughout the world:

The Seven Principles

- 1) The church begins with my core
- 2) The church meets in the house
- 3) The church has a God-ordained leader
- 4) The church reproduces organically

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- 5) The church relates to an extended family
- 6) The church expands globally from family to family
- 7) The church is indestructible and will eventually rule and reign with Christ.

The church begins with my core of friends/family

Jesus changed the world. Jesus spoke to large crowds but began the church with a small core of believers. For three years Jesus spent most of His time with the twelve disciples learning and growing together. Jesus taught them "on-the-job," demonstrating the patterns and principles of a believer's life. The living Christ has not changed. For 2000 years He has rapidly multiplied the church through the same pattern – sharing the Good News with many and multiplying through a small core of believers, described in Greek as an oikos.

We follow the same pattern that shook the world. The basic building block of the Church remains a core group of people who experience God as they grow in their relationship with one another.

Our family and friends are God's natural core set of relationships and are the divine beginning point of the Church. Real spiritual community, the gifts of the Spirit, new songs, words of encouragement, healing and strengthening all take place as we minister to one another according to the pattern

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Jesus gave us.

The spark of spiritual revolution begins with our core. It will spread from one core to another like a wildfire, but its roots are deeply connected to long-term relationships that never break.

The church meets in the house

The New Testament-era Church met together to learn of Christ and His Kingdom. They lived out this Kingdom in front of the world with their core meeting moving house to house. Like a spontaneous chain-reaction they ate together, prayed together, and sacrificed for one another (Acts 2:42-47, 5:42).

Over time, lethargy crept in and the spiritual revolution slowed when the church "officialized" and left the "house" for permanent buildings.

We do not belong to buildings, but to Christ and one another. We will fuel what God has entrusted to us by meeting house to house or wherever we naturally gather.

As we meet together we share our burdens, our concerns, our triumphs and our victories. We expect to encounter God through one another, sharing God's Word and listening to Him. We are free to experience water baptism and the Lord's Supper "in

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the house" recognizing that we are responsible for one another's spiritual care.

Our meetings flow with the seasons of life. We worship together and challenge one another to live like Jesus in public and in the privacy of our own lives.

However, we are not content to fill our time with our own concerns. We commit to ask God to send us where there is no witness and no worship of Him.

The church has a God-ordained leader

We believe that every "core" set of relationships has a God-ordained leader. Acts 16:31 tells us that if we believe on the Lord Jesus Christ that our entire core – our friends and family – shall be saved! Every church, then has a God-ordained leader.

We welcome the leadership and impartation of trained leaders, but we will not neglect our own duty to see friends and family encounter God. In fact, we contend that God anoints every person to lead their own sphere of influence – their core – to salvation.

When each core meets together they:

- Worship – focusing on Jesus
- Obey – the revelation that comes from time with Him and His Word

- Relate – with one another, each sharing what they learn from the Word and ministering the supernatural gifts of God to one another
- Disciple – one another in Christ-like character.

When we gather together, we worship Jesus as King through words and songs, and then wait for supernatural, divine revelation. We expect an encounter with God because we know the Heavenly Father desires to communicate with His children.

Often in the midst of this season of worship, God reveals His heart for others through words of knowledge and wisdom, through spiritual songs, healings, miracles and other supernatural signs. These are the normal "breakthroughs" of the eternal into our finite world. We welcome and trust God to speak to us.

God is consumed with a passion for those who are incomplete without Him, and we fully expect God to speak to us about our friends, people in our communities, our country, and the nations and ethnic peoples of the world.

God is on a mission, and we join Him through revelation. We measure every instruction and encouragement by the Word of God, by prayer and by being accountable one to another.

When He speaks we OBEY.

We write the revelation down on our hearts and then obey it. We know that God will not trust us further and deeper if we do not obey His every word.

Our commitment to one another comes second only to our commitment to God. We commit to relate to each other with the highest degree of vulnerable accountability. We base our relationships on servanthood and humility.

God has given us a mandate to disciple the nations (Matt 28:18-20). We begin this process with one another. We lay our lives down before Jesus and ask that He wash us clean and purify our motives one to another.

We commit to disciple our own core, bringing an encounter with God to our peers, friends and family. We listen keenly for His call to the nations – always willing to sacrifice everything and join Him.

The church reproduces organically

The spiritual revolution begins in our core group and grows when we capture the heart of God for the world.

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We are content to follow "the Jesus way" and pursue natural lines of relationship announcing and proclaiming the richness of His Kingdom wherever we go. How can the movement grow? Each of us stays connected by following a spiritual leader as a part of his or her core. We meet on a regular basis, experiencing God, following His direction and growing in accountability to one another.

We remain accountable to grow and also to lead our own core by encouraging our own friends and family to fulfill the mandate of Christ's Great Commandment and Great Commission. In this way we remain connected to one another like a chain of hands reaching up, down and out to the world.

- Hands-up in spiritual nurture and accountability
- Hands-down to spiritually father and mentor
- Hands-out together expanding the Kingdom

When others receive the Good News we rejoice, establish the Kingdom, pray with our new brothers and sisters in Christ and entrust them to grow in the nurture of the Holy Spirit through covenant relationships.

We are not a hierarchy or a company with leaders that shout orders from a distance. We relate as a spiritual family with brothers, sisters, uncles, aunts,

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mothers, fathers, grandmothers and grandfathers.

We grow as a family grows, maintaining the same name "in Christ" but allowing each member to establish their own spiritual family. When we get together to celebrate our faith in Christ and our heritage as the family of God, we rejoice, worship, celebrate and consecrate ourselves to God and one another.

Real spiritual revolution begins when we come humbly to one another, respecting the "church" that meets in the house, honoring our spiritual fathers and working to enable those in our own sphere of influence to rise to the challenge of leading their own core to Christ.

The church relates to an extended family

We are committed to igniting a spiritual revolution in the earth. We believe God has given us this challenge and that He awaits our response.

We declare the King and His Kingdom and then develop deep, transparent relationships with the "men of peace" we encounter. We believe we have been equipped and anointed to extend the Good News to our natural core or our sphere of influence.

Following the instructions of Luke 10:7, we prioritize

deepening the natural relationships we currently have and those of the "men of peace" we meet. We know God works through these "family" ties to extend the fabric of His Kingdom.

We are all connected by the One we serve who holds us together and molds us into His image. We reject any organizational constraints that hinder our strong interpersonal commitments or that propagate our faith as an institution or a organizational machine.

Just as we were born into a natural family with relatives, our "born again" nature belongs to a spiritual family that maintains its ties and commitment to one another.

With one eternal Father and Jesus as our Savior and elder brother, we support, live, honor, respect and serve our spiritual family, even those we have yet to meet. They may live in a different country, speak a different language, hold distinct customs, but we still have the same spiritual heritage.

The church expands globally from family to family

The story found in Luke 10 begins with Jesus announcing to His disciples that He is about to go to a new village. From this and many other passages we know that the natural consequence of belonging

to the Heavenly Kingdom is to go and grow.

We worship to the point of a spiritual revelation from God, but we grow according to the natural principles of family life. When meeting with someone from the Body of Christ in a different part of the world, we seek to establish "familial" ties connecting back to a common spiritual influence in our lives.

This familial connection has priority even over doctrinal truth because it requires each of us to maintain our accountability to God and to our own spiritual fathers.

When He speaks we declare His glory with our own core and among the nations, and we begin to experience the richness of the "spiritual heritage" God has given us. When we meet others belonging to Christ, we come humbly seeking to learn and belong to God's larger family.

If we are sent to bring light to the darkness by announcing the Kingdom of Christ, we connect those who sent us with those to whom we preach.

However, we are careful not to burden the "men of peace" with organizational ties that slow the development and rapid multiplication of God's church in their own core.

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In this way we can spiritually father new families and yet give grace for each new family to find their destiny and purpose from God.

The church is indestructible and will eventually rule and reign with Christ

Jesus declared that the wisdom and influence of evil would not prevail over the church (Matt. 16:18-19). Related as families, connected by grace and strengthened by our commitment to God and one another, the church today is fulfilling its mandate.

Under the Lordship of Christ we can affirm with the Apostle Paul (Romans 8: 35-39):

"Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? ... For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

THE COMMITMENT

God is raising up millions of others to ignite a spiritual revolution in the earth. He demands no less of you. This could be your moment of destiny. Will you join the network of revolutionaries by making the commitment to:

- Live the Five Truths
- Walk out the Six Orders
- Follow the Seven Principles

Dear Heavenly Father, I submit my plans for success and comfort to you. Ruin them, ruin me for the ordinary life. I choose to give up what is rightfully mine so that through self-denial to all my ambitions and dreams, I will find the extreme pleasure of Your presence. I am Your soldier, awaiting orders for the front. Let the spiritual revolution begin in me. In Jesus' Name.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

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