

How We Are Called

The Great Commission calls us to disciple others (Matthew 28:19-20). We envision a church full of disciples (apprentices) who are constantly looking to disciple others in love and humility. (Matthew 22:37-40) In order to do this we must first make sure that we are disciples ourselves. We must be in a relationship with Jesus to know and to do His will consistently. (Mark 16:15-16)

We are told in Romans 10:9: *“If you openly declare that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is by believing in your heart that you are made right with God, and it is by openly declaring your faith that you are saved.”* Accepting the grace from God to declare a repentance from sin (Acts 11:18, 2 Timothy 2:25) and accepting a faith in Jesus Christ as Lord brings salvation and is central to our calling as followers of Jesus.

As we grow in our faith, we experience Romans 12:2: *“Do not conform to the pattern of this world but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is - his good, pleasing and perfect will.”* We become a new creation: the old sinful nature is gone. We are crucified with and buried with Christ. And with Christ’s resurrection, we also are raised to a new nature, a new creation, a new person emerges, ready to serve the Lord and do His Will.

Our Vision for Chapel Hill is that it will be an agent of change in our community. The hurting, the lost, the forgotten, the despairing and the hopeless all desperately need to hear and see the Good News lived out, some of them for the first time in their lives. Answering Jesus’ call in the Great Commission to go out in love is our response to reach those whom Jesus has commanded us to share the Gospel of His love.

In the process of answering the Call of the Great Commission, discipleship shall be the primary focus of Chapel Hill Church. We strive to be a church of disciples, not members, as stated in our “Disciple Covenant.” Our hope and our prayer is that all who attend Chapel Hill Church will not only desire to further their walk with Christ by seeking to be discipled, but also seek every opportunity to disciple others, regardless of where they are in their spiritual journey. It is our belief that the Holy Spirit will respond to our prayer that all will be equipped in this discipleship process.