



To Know and SHARE the Love of Christ!

Living The Great Commission

In the fall of 2015, the pastoral team launched the *Turning The Corner* campaign, seeking to bring Restoration Praise Center (RPC) into a more faithful alignment with the mission of God's people. An essential part of that effort is making Personal Evangelism a way of life at RPC. Revamping the Great Commission Sabbaths is the first in a series of steps toward that goal. It is an affirmation and tangible demonstration of our commitment to the Gospel Great Commission, which bids us to make disciples of all nations.

What Is The Great Commission Sabbath?

It is an opportunity for each individual to be hands on in sharing the love of Christ in their communities alongside their believing neighbors in an ongoing and sustainable manner.

It is important to note:

- It is not RPC doing service projects. We do not want to go out into the community and randomly help people. Instead, we want to allow the Holy Spirit to use the collective life experiences of each Grow Group to inform whom and how we serve. Through relational initiatives, we are seeking meaningful ways be a part of the lives of the people in our communities, establishing and cultivating loving, lasting relationships.
- We must strongly value the relationships that we build with nonbelievers in our community; they are not projects, challenges, or tasks to complete. They are people whom we love. We believe these relationships will create the opportunities for us to train, teach, disciple and multiply.

How does it work?

- Great Commission Sabbaths take place on the 1st Sabbath of the month beginning May 7th 2016.
- There are no worship services at RPC on 1st Sabbaths.
- Each Grow Group, through prayer and guided by the Holy Spirit, identifies individuals or groups in their communities to disciple.
- Informed by the needs of the individuals, as well as the collective life experiences of the Grow Group, initiatives are designed to impact their lives in a relational manner.
- While space is being created for these initiatives to take place on the 1st Sabbath of the month, we recognize that life happens every day. Groups are encouraged to sustain the relationships as needed and not limit interaction to the scheduled monthly initiatives.

What Do I Need To Do?

- Verify and update your information in Church Community Builder (CCB)--our Web Based Church Management Software. You can find a link to CCB on the church website: rpcsda.org

- Identify and get connected with the Grow Group in your area. You can get information about the Grow Group to which you've been assigned in CCB by going to the INVOLVEMENT Tab in your user profile.
- Pray.
- For assistance or more information, visit the Welcome Center or email admin@rpcsda.org
- Share thoughts, questions, concerns, ideas & recommendations. Email pastors@rpcsda.org