# **Looking Ahead to 2013**



"The Mission:
Its Scope and Sequence"
Acts 1:6-8; Matthew 28:16-20



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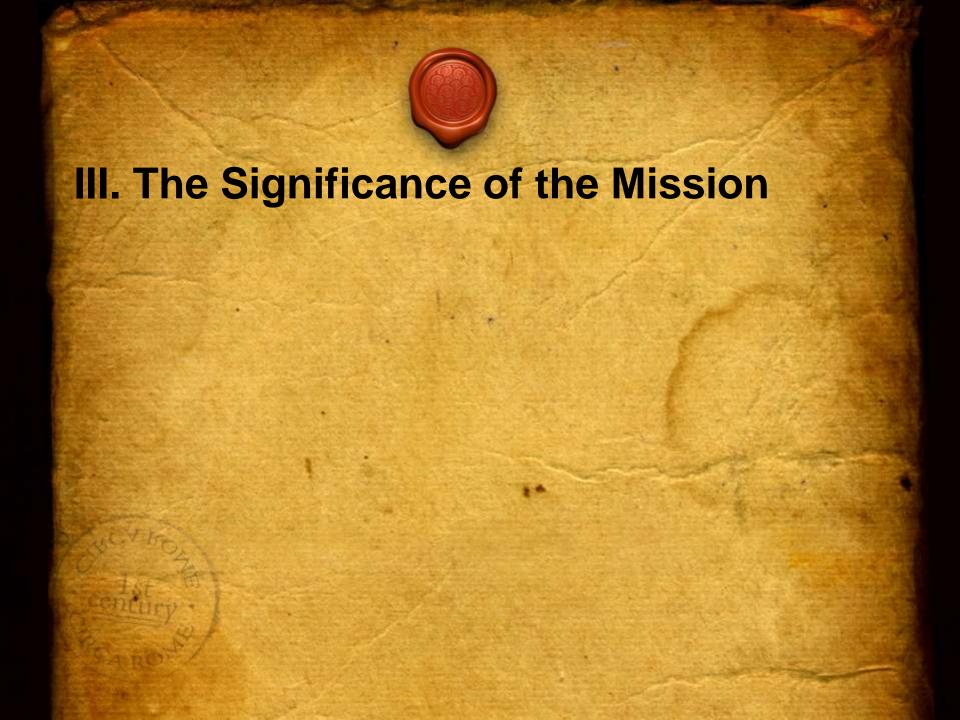
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THE SEQUENCE OF THE MISSION IS:TO INTENTIONALLY ENCOUNTER PEOPLE WHO ARE UNREACHED BY THE GOSPEL AND LEAD THEM TO BECOME FULLY ENGAGED CHRIST-FOLLOWERS WHO ARE COMMITTED TO MAKE DISCIPLE-MAKERS.





Charles Spurgeon, the Prince of Preachers, and probably the most quoted preacher in history, said: "Every Christian is either a missionary or he is an imposter."



If every member was just like me, what kind of church would Bethel be?



LOVE GOD—by renewing your worship of Him at all levels of your life, and by reengaging Him with a view to know Him and make Him known as never before (or as not in a long time).



LOVE OTHERS—be joyfully and gladly becoming a part of ministry opportunities in and through the ministry of this church.



**SERVE THE WORLD**—by becoming a vital part of a mission opportunity.



#### 2 Peter 1:12-15 (NKJV)

- 12 For this reason I will not be negligent to remind you always of these things, though you know and are established in the present truth.
- 13 Yes, I think it is right, as long as I am in this tent, to stir you up by reminding you, 14 knowing that shortly I must put off my tent, just as our Lord Jesus Christ showed me.



## 2 Peter 1:12-15 (NKJV)

15 Moreover I will be careful to ensure that you always have a reminder of these things after my decease.



- 12 Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me.
- 13 Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead,

  14 I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.



15 Therefore let us, as many as are mature, have this mind; and if in anything you think otherwise, God will reveal even this to you. 16 Nevertheless, to the degree that we have already attained, let us walk by the same rule, let us be of the same mind. 17 Brethren, join in following my example, and note those who so walk, as you have us for a pattern.



18 For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ: 19 whose end is destruction, whose god is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame— who set their mind on earthly things.

20 For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ,



21 who will transform our lowly body that it may be conformed to His glorious body, according to the working by which He is able even to subdue all things to Himself.