

**MOUNT OLIVE LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**2009 VISION**  
Sunday March 15, 2009

**Mission Statement:**

“Building believers to reach out and connect people to Jesus”

**Vision Statement for 2009:**

“Transforming Members into Disciples”

**Scripture:**

“Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore **go and make disciples** of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Matthew 28:18-20

**Purpose:**

The Simple Church Model creates: CLARITY, FOCUS, ALIGNMENT and MOVEMENT within the congregation.

**Goals for 9/2009 -9/2010**

- Average worship attendance to grow by 100
- By the end of 2009 to have 35% of our adult (18+) worshipping community in the Study Stage
- Flight School increase of 10%
- 50% of our active worshipping community serving in Monthly Congregational Events
- 250 active worshipping community(14yrs +) complete a Personal Evaluation Tool in September 09 and May 10 to measure individual spiritual growth

**Strategy:**

**I. Implement Simple Church Model**

**What is the Simple Church Model?**

The Simple Church Model is a 4-stage process through which the members of Mount Olive move, by which they grow into a deeper personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

## **What is the 4-stage Process?**

### **1. WORSHIP**

Worship is the entry point through which people are initially connected to Mount Olive and **BEGIN** to grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ to become disciples.

### **2. STUDY**

Study is the next stage in moving people into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ through Bible Study.

### **3. SERVE**

Service is the stage where God's people put their faith into action by participating in a ministry or monthly activity within the congregation and by acts of service out in the community.

### **4. WITNESS**

Witness is the final stage, in which the people of Mount Olive, see themselves as committed disciples, living a Lifestyle of Christian Witness to include:

- (1) Actively involved in the first three stages of the Simple Church Model
- (2) Actively supporting the mission and ministry at Mount Olive with our time, talents and tithes (first-fruit, percentage, sacrificial, regular giving)
- (3) Actively living out their faith in our families, church, schools, neighborhoods, places of employment and communities.

## **What are the expectations?**

- The expectation is that **EVERYONE** will participate in this 4 stage process

## **What is to be gained by using this model?**

- Through this process our people will begin the transformation from member to disciple.

- Disciples will realize that they are called to be **SALT** and **LIGHT** as they reach out and connect people to Jesus!

**“YOU ARE THE SALT OF THE EARTH.** But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled by men. **YOU ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD.** A city on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven. “

Matthew 5:13-16

### **How is this to be accomplished?**

- The Simple Church model’s purpose is to streamline and simplify ministry so that everyone can grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ as they move through this 4-stage discipleship process.
- Everything we do at Mount Olive must fit into the 4 – stage model. Anything that does not fit into the model is eliminated or at the least is begun to be phased out.
- The ministry is so designed that no more than two visits to the church campus would be necessary in a one week period. This would require significant changes in Worship and Bible Study opportunities and times.

### **How will we measure progress through the 4 stages?**

- 1. Worship attendance**
- 2. Sign-ups at ALL Study, Serving, & Monthly events**
- 3. Personal Evaluation Tool – for individuals to keep track and measure their own personal growth.**

## **II. TEACH BIBLICAL STEWARDSHIP**

- Move all members to percentage giving working towards the tithe
- See Increased giving by 5% in 2009 over actual income of 2008
- Increase of 25 families (giving units) participating in Simply Giving.

## **What would those changes look like?**

- Worship and Study opportunities would be held on two days during the week with the following time slots:

### **SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP**

**7:30 – Classic Worship** (Lutheran Service Book)

**9:00 – Praise Worship**

Running concurrently with the 9:00 worship:

9:00 – Adult Bible Study

9:00 – New Member

9:00 – Flight School

9:00 – Nursery

**10:30 – Praise Worship**

Running concurrently with 10:30 worship:

10:30 – Nursery

### **WEDNESDAY EVENING**

**6:00 – 7:00 Study**

Confirmation

Nursery

Adult Bible Class

New Member Class

Children's Ministry

Praise Team Practice

Junior High Youth

Senior High Youth

**7:00 – 8:00 – Classical/Blended Worship**

Praise Team Bible Study

**8:00 – 9:00 – Music Ministry**

Praise Him Rehearsal

Brass Rehearsal

Bell Choir Rehearsal

### **MONTHLY CONGREGATIONAL ACTIVITIES**

Autumnfest

Food Drive

Out Reach Events i.e. Laugh Your Way, Habitat, 911      Dinner

College Student Care Packages

Youth in Action

Toys From the Heart