

ASSOCIATED GOSPEL CHURCHES
Purpose, Vision & Values Statement – July 2018

OUR PURPOSE:

We exist to glorify God by partnering together in obedience to the Great Commandment and the Great Commission.
Matthew 22:37-40; 28:19,20

OUR VISION:

Our vision is to be a movement of healthy, reproducing churches
Matthew 16:18; Acts 2; 1 Thessalonians 1:3

This vision is carried out through our four ENDS:

- Doctrine and Credentials/Theological Reflection
- Church Health and Leadership
- Church Reproduction
- Compassion and Justice

OUR VALUES:

1. Biblical Authority:

We value submission to God and His will as revealed in the Word of God, the Bible.
Romans 12:1,2; 1 Timothy 1:14; 3:14-17; 4:2.

2. Dynamic Spirituality:

We value a passion for God as expressed through faith, love, hope, worship, and obedience to Jesus Christ.
Matthew 22:37-40; John 17:20-26, 2:42-47; Romans 12:1,2; 1 Corinthians 13; 1 Thessalonians 1:3

3. Loving Relationships:

We value the expression of love, grace, and respect for all people and seek to embrace the unity we have been given in Jesus Christ.
Ephesians 4:1-6; Titus 2:11,12; Galatians 6:10; 1 John 3:11-20

4. Effective Disciplemaking:

We value making disciples who are fully committed followers of Jesus Christ.
Matthew 28:19, 20; Ephesians 4:11-16; 2 Timothy 2:2

5. Intentional Reproduction:

We value an intentional commitment to birth new ministries, cell groups, congregations, and churches.
Acts 13:2, 3; 16:1-15; 17,18,19

6. Strategic Partnerships:

We value the interdependent relationship within the AGC family of churches while recognizing the uniqueness of each church. We will encourage networking with other evangelical churches and agencies.
Acts 15:1-35

7. Cultural Transformation:

We value understanding, engaging and influencing our culture with a Christian worldview.
Matthew 5:13-16; 1 Corinthians 9:19-23

8. Leadership Development:

We value the process of working together with the local church in leadership development; identifying, developing, approving and caring for both pastoral and lay leaders.
2 Timothy 3:1-7; Hebrews 13:7,17