

Friends Church of North Carolina

Ministry and Counsel

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I have searched for Leadings from the Holy Spirit that might encourage you and your Church, our environment has been very discouraging this past year. Things are getting better, Covid 19 in most areas has decreased and Church groups are finding opportunities to meet in collective Worship again. It is spring; God is renewing our world. I have in the past and continue to ask you to step up and re-energize your meeting. If I can help let me know, if you need answers, ask questions we want to be transparent about all the Ministries your Church financially supports.

Secondly, as we move forward our churches play an incredibly important role in hundreds of people's lives. We offer people the ability to connect with Christ Love and ministries in ways that are sometimes simply unable to do a lone. Rick Warren suggests that the Church purposes are worship, fellowship, discipleship, ministry, and mission, and that they are derived from the Great Commandment (Matthew 22:37-40) and the Great Commission (Matthew 28:19-20). If we define our ministry with Goals and a Vision for the future Church attendance can become one of the greatest blessings in you and your Church family's life! Gathering regularly with other believers becomes a refining process whereby we help each other, pray for each other and encourage each other. (Psalm 145:18) Praise brings God into the scene. Praise opens the gates of Heaven and the doors of blessings. Praise dissipates worry and dilutes concern and fear. Praise removes sadness and magnifies goodness.

The mission of Friends Church of North Carolina ("To know God and make Him known") will be our greatest challenge. How can we reach the unchurched? I BELIEVE we can position our Churches to grow, by searching for the obstacles that keep us from growing, by executing some approaches that will help us reach more people. Friends, I know that sometimes you don't have enough hours in the day. I also know if you are equipped, encouraged, energized and engaged, it can refresh your Call. Outstanding people never let their success deteriorate, they continue their training and professional growth. They constantly attend conferences, read books, and study. If you feel the need for Revivalism, lets work together and set a Vision of Outreach (To know God and make Him know).

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