The Biblical Purpose of a Local Church as Applied to Berean Baptist Church of Belleville, MI

Our Purpose

Glorify God

Berean Baptist Church exists for the sole purpose of glorifying God (Eph. 3:21; 1 Pet. 4:11; 1 Cor. 10:31; Col. 3:17). All of the church's objectives, goals, methodology, and practice must be subject to this singular biblical purpose.

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Our Objectives (How we intend to accomplish our purpose)

Evangelism (Matt. 28:19-20)
Our commitment is to see the gospel spread through home, foreign, and cross-cultural missions.

Discipleship – Edification - Equipping for Ministry (Matt. 28:19-20; Eph. 4:11-16)

Fellowship (Acts 2:42; 1 Thess. 5:11)

Worship (John 4:23)

Prayer (1 Tim. 2:8; Acts 12:5)

Our Methodology (How we accomplish our objectives)

- MOF Evangelism
- Missions Giving
- Relational Evangelism
- Other Forms of Personal Evangelism
- Public Proclamation of the Gospel
- Specific Strategies (e.g. special interest classes, literature distribution, etc.)
- All-Church Evangelistic Events (picnics, special evangelistic meetings, etc.)

- MOFs
- One-on-One Mentoring and Teaching
- Baptism
- Membership Classes
- Sunday School
- Bible Studies
- Special Classes
- Pulpit ministry

- *MOFs
- *Men's Retreat
- Informal Activities
- Sunday School
- Bible Study

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- MOFs
- Wednesday Prayer Meeting
- Public Prayer
- Testimonies
- Song Service
- Special Music

- MOFs
- Wednesday Prayer Meeting
- Public Prayer
- Special Times of Prayer

Special Goals (Based upon the previous)

- Our desire as a local church is to focus on people and relationships instead of programs.
- Our desire is to be a church where each member understands that he is a minister.
- Our desire is to be a church that reaches out to all ethnic groups in our community.