

FUEL TO LIVE ON MISSION Leadership Group Guide - November 2020

Jesus calls us to live on mission by sharing the Gospel and making disciples. It is the final command Jesus gave His disciples before He ascended into heaven, yet it was something they initially struggled to do. However, as we see in Acts 2, the Holy Spirit fell on the disciples in the upper room and filled them with incredible faith. This moment with God became the fuel the early church needed to go from sitting idle to passionately and fervently sharing the Gospel. This explosion of mission led to the early church experiencing its initial explosion of growth.

As present-day disciples, we can also struggle in living on mission for various reasons (busyness, availability, fear, doubt, etc.). However, just like the disciples in Acts 2, we know that our relationship with God is the ultimate fuel for us to share the Gospel and make disciples. David Jones writes in the article "<u>Missional Fatigue: Fuel for When</u> <u>We're Running on Empty</u>," that if we struggle in living on mission, it is likely due to our lack of personal devotion with God.

For Leadership Group, read this article and take note of the four key areas Jones addresses that would strengthen our devotion to God and provide the fuel for us to live on mission.

Discussion Questions (Read the attached article):

- 1. Which of the four points listed in this article stood out to you most? How can you address this point in your devotional time with God so you can be fueled up to live on mission?
- 2. Point four addresses "Mobilizing Collaborative Potential." Who in your Leadership Group, Small Group or in our church could you partner with in reaching the person God has placed on your heart? If there is someone who comes to mind, contact them and begin to pray and discuss how you can work together in reaching your one.

Application:

1. **Small Group Leaders**: Feel free to take time this week and share this article with your Small Group and remind them to care for their devotional time with God so they can also be fueled up to live on mission.

Prayer Points:

1. Pray for one another's current prayer requests and for focus to care for their devotional time with God.

- 2. Pray that there would be a surge in our church of evangelism and living missionally to those God has called us to share the Gospel with.
- 3. Pray that the virus would be crushed in our islands, and that those who are affected by this pandemic (health, finances, relationships, schooling, etc.) would experience breakthrough and come to know God.
- 4. Pray for unity in our country and state post-elections and for God to move in the lives of those elected to our national and local government.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Small Group Update

As of October 22nd, the State has moved into Tier 2 of Honolulu's Reopening Strategy. Our small groups, in clusters of five, may continue to meet in person. Social gatherings are acceptable at homes, restaurants, public parks, and beaches with social distancing precautions. Groups that prefer to meet online may continue to do so.

Weekly Leadership Thought

As another leadership resource, we wanted to give you access to our "Weekly Leadership Thought" that is shared with our pastoral staff and campus ministers. This is for personal viewing and its purpose is to equip and encourage those who help lead and shepherd our church. We will be adding content like this to our Leaders Resource page. Because of the nature of the material, this page is password protected.

To access this page, go to <u>https://pearlside.org/leadership-resources</u> and enter the password: **leader**

Zoom Reimbursement

We will continue to reimburse Zoom "Pro Package" subscriptions for the months of **October**. This will enable you to keep hosting virtual Zoom meetings and not neglecting to meet as a small group.

- If you would like to participate in utilizing Zoom Pro for your small group meeting, please email info@pearlside.org. We will then send you reimbursement instructions for the cost of your subscription.
- If you already have your October or previous months of Zoom Pro receipts (beginning of May 2020), kindly email them directly to <u>info@pearlside.org</u>.

First Responders Appreciation

On the weekend of November 27-29, 2020, Pearlside Church would like to recognize, pray for, and thank our First Responders. Please use the form below to let us know of the first responders that are in your small group or on your serve team.

First Responders include: Doctors, Nurses, Physician Assistants (PA), Certified Nurses Assistants (CNA), Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT), Police Officers, and Firemen.

Please turn in all information by Wednesday, November 18 at 5:00pm. Link to form: <u>https://pearlside.wufoo.com/forms/pearlside-church-first-responders/</u>