New Song Network

We believe that evangelistic effort and equipping flow naturally out of a local church model. The Greek word meta combines two meanings "with" and "after". These words embody the promises of God as we relate to another as the Body of Christ. We have developed this word into an acronym to focus attention on four core principles.

Marketplace

Evangelistic

Transformation

After-care

Continuing the Anabaptist tradition of Kingdom building.



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Rescue Operations Local and Regional Plan

Summers 2008/2009



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Time for rescue mode

The summer is soon upon us. The situation facing most families is forcing decisions to be made now for the summer. Now is a great time for the body of Christ to position itself to meet people at the crossroads of changing behavior.

The effect on the congregation should be to consider identifying rescue teams within the congregation. Devote some resource to one or more of the four opportunities listed to move outside the four walls. And adopt a "go to" strategy.

Summer and fall opportunities outside the Sunday morning four walls:

- Campgrounds
- Motels and hotels
- Rest stops on interstate
- Workplace

Spiritual battle ground:

Be prepared to see what Americans really worship and that is personal space, personal comfort and mobility.

Most Americans have filled their lives with everything to keep them from acknowledging the truth of the Gospel.

The Olympics will be held August 8-24, 2008 in China. This will present a "deceptive solution" to the world's problems and strife.

What is happening?

National Scene

- Higher fuel prices
- Inflationary pressure on staple products
- Workplace pressures and uncertainty
- Less disposable income for "choices"
- Election year
- Media fueling public ire toward preaching

Local Economy

- Local tourism increasing
- Employment
- Higher taxation/fees for public services

Behavior patterns changing:

- Families will stay closer to home this summer which makes local tourism a premium
- Families will stay put and watch more TV and use internet more
- Families may be less likely to engage
- All of these will blend nationalism and globalism at the same time.

It is time for the body of Christ to move into rescue mode.

Pastors:

- Do not be afraid to encourage boundaries that limit TV viewing.
- Do not be afraid to list unacceptable shows to your flock.
- Teach why the battle for the mind is so important.
- Develop a series on "input content".
- The Bible has a lot to say about deception.

We have a tape of our May 18, 2008 service with sermon entitled "Deception: I wish we'd all been ready"

Copies can be made on request

We have two DVD presentations entitled:

- Life Boat Station
- Approaching Fire

The first is on evangelism and the other is revival.

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