

Blueprint for Holy Fire Fellowship & the Church of Brisbane

Plans and Strategies for the Present and Future

Rough Draft

Our Mission

Our mission is to fulfill the Great Commission through winning the lost, making disciples and spreading the fire of the Holy Spirit in Australia and the world.

The Strategic Nature of Brisbane

“I will give you the treasures of darkness, riches stored in secret places, so that you may know that I am the Lord, the God of Israel, who summons you by name” – Isa. 45:3

Brisbane is a very strategic city for the advancement of God’s kingdom in Australia, the South Pacific and South East Asia. The presence of an international airport opens up vast opportunities for sending out laborers and receiving people of many different nations. The world can be reached through the city of Brisbane if we make the most of its strategic position.

Brisbane’s growing economy as well as its businesses and industries give it vast resources that can be channeled for training and sending out laborers for the Gospel. Brisbane’s technological ability also gives the city great potential to spread the Gospel in every form of communication possible. God has set us here to use Brisbane’s strategic location, resources and technological capabilities to fulfill the Great Commission.

In Paul’s mission work he also targeted “hub” cities like Ephesus, Corinth, Philippians and Antioch for the spreading of the Message. Through making disciples in those cities Paul was able to reach the surrounding regions and the remote places with the power of God.

A Base for the Great Commission

“At Ephesus...[Paul] took the disciples with him and had discussions daily in the lecture hall of Tyrannus. This went on for two years, so that all the Jews and Greeks who lived in the province of Asia heard the word of the Lord.” – Acts 19:9-10

Bases are essential for the extending of the kingdom of God. A base is a place of training, unifying, strategizing, restoring the weary, gathering resources, and launching out. We envision our church and ministry, as well as

the whole church of Brisbane, as a base for the fulfilling of the Great Commission. Our goal is to build a strong base that will be able to support a multitude of ministries and churches in the surrounding regions.

About bases, Dr. Michael L. Brown says, "There must be 'liberated zones' – spiritual beachheads or model operations – from which we equip the troops, sharpen our strategy, and launch our attack. If there is not a strong home front, it will be difficult to succeed in the thick of enemy territory...On the smallest level, this can happen in a home filled with the life and power of God. At the next level, it can occur in a truly biblical, radical congregation. Next is the level of the revived community (which is a much greater challenge), and at the highest, the level of the transformed region (this is rare but quite possible)...we must remember that the base exists for training and sending, for equipping and commissioning, for imparting and releasing, for strategizing and thrusting out. The base must never become a resort!"

Discipleship

"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you." – Matt. 28:18-20

Discipleship is the first key to doing the great commission and building a strong base. The Lord has given us a number of plans to facilitate making disciples.

One-on-One discipleship

This is the nitty-gritty of discipleship. Here an older believer yokes himself with a younger believer in order to teach and train him/her in the ways of Christ. This is not an "above and beneath" type of relationship, but a "coming along side of" relationship. The first key to this relationship being effective is friendship. Through these relationships both people will be mutually encouraged and built up.

Sunday Meetings

These are times of corporate worship and receiving the Word. The purpose of these meetings is to equip, empower, unite and transform the core to do the work of ministry throughout the week.

Holy Fire Ministry Training School

The school's purpose is to raise up passionately devoted worshippers and workers of Jesus Christ. The emphasis of the training is focused both on the power of the Word and the power

of the Spirit; as well as what God is speaking today. It is an evening Bible school in order to equip working people. (See prospectus for more info.)

iTraining

iTraining is a unique and revolutionary distance education program. Through the use of an iPod students can study anywhere since all the teaching sessions (200+ hrs.) are on the iPod. The iTraining program is a two-year course going through the same curriculum as the in-house program of Holy Fire Ministry Training School.

Intensive Apostolic Community Schools

These are intensive 40-day schools where a small group of students will live together and be taught the Word morning, afternoon and evening. These Jesus- style schools will see radical breakthrough in the lives of the students in a short amount of time.

Children's Ministry

Part of our strategy for winning the nations must be discipling our children. This is a long-term strategy, but we must focus on the next generation. Here we will see the power of 3rd Generational impact.

Discipleship homes

The purpose of these homes is to see lives quickly and radically transformed through living together in a community of believers who are seeking God. We envision some of these homes being for those just saved out of a lifestyle of drugs and alcohol. Though each home will have a specific purpose and will need leaders who have strong enough character to run an intensive ministry.

Employment (Discipleship Driven Businesses)

God has given us a vision of opening businesses that have their chief purpose as discipling new believers and reaching out to the lost. New believers will be hired so that they will be trained, disciplined, and given job experience. The unsaved will be hired in order to get them around believers and share with them the gospel.

Tools & Resources

The church is to be a storehouse of resources and materials so that they are always available for the hungry disciple or inquiring seeker.

Website

The Website is a hub for the communication of the fellowship as well as the prophetic Word. We also desire to have the training school on the Web for registered students. Podcasting is another way we can train students who already have computers or iPods.

CD & Tape ministry

The purpose of this ministry is to spread the apostolic and prophetic Word of God through CDs and Tapes. The Lord had given us a vision from the beginning to spread the Word using every form of media.

Prayer & Worship

“For my house will be called a house of prayer for all nations” – Isa. 56:7

“Sing to Him a new song; play skillfully, and shout for joy” – Psalm 33:3

It is only through militant strategic prayer that we will be able to win the battle in the spirit and see God’s will manifested on the earth. The Lord has given us a strategy for seeing this happen.

Prayer Cells

The purpose of these prayer cells is to mobilize each believer to be committed to be praying together with other believers in their homes for the advancement of the Kingdom on earth. This is really the fountainhead from which all true Holy Spirit ministry begins.

Corporate Prayer Strategy (Unified Strategic Prayer) –

Praying for seven major areas (one area a day)

- 1) Church – HFF
- 2) Family
- 3) Workplace

- 4) Neighborhood
- 5) Nation
- 6) World
- 7) Jews & Israel

24/7 Worship and Prayer (Brisbane Central Church)

This is a major area that the Lord has called us to serve and facilitate its birthing and operation. We envision 24 hours of worship and prayer going up continuously in the heart of Brisbane's CBD. Worship teams from different churches will take shifts to continually worship God throughout the day. The doors will be open 24 hours a day for anyone wanting to seek God.

Prayer Walks

In order to surround the city with the presence of God we see teams of two prayer walking strategic areas in Brisbane in order to open up the gates for God to move throughout the city and in neighborhoods.

Worship Albums & Music

There is a specific grace on our fellowship in worship. As part of our worship ministry we desire to record, compile and produce the worship songs that God has entrusted to us. We also envision building a recording studio in the future.

Fellowship & Networking

"They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer" – Acts 2:42

"From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work" – Eph 4:16

Becoming a task force

Our goal is to mobilize every member of the body to function in their God-given role and calling. The church is a team and task force to accomplish the Father's will on earth.

Networking

Networking is another key for each part of the body of Christ to fulfill its purpose. We know that only through networking with other churches and ministries can God's vision and plan for our

city and nation come to pass. Because of this we actively seek to network with those God puts in our lives. God is making a "net" for a great catch of fish.

Evangelism & Outreach

"He said to them, 'Go into all the world and preach the good news to all creation.'" – Mark 16:15

"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." – Acts 1:8

Friendship Evangelism

This is a longer-term approach to evangelism, but very effective. By becoming friends with neighbors and coworkers you build up their trust. Through the relationship you pray for their salvation and eventually share the Gospel. Most people come to the Lord in this way.

Street Evangelism

Spreading the Word on the streets where people are often searching and desire to talk with somebody about eternal issues.

Strategic Outreaches

These are specific outreaches in order to draw the lost and give them the opportunity to hear the Gospel.

Event Evangelism

This is evangelism that takes place during an event. Any event, whether it is a birthday or anniversary, is a time where we can invite unbelievers and get them in an environment where on a friendly basis they can see the witness of Christ through our lives.

Universities

The greatest percentage of people that get saved receive the Lord between 18-25 years of age. The Lord has put it on our hearts to target the university because there the harvest is ripe and the nations can be reached. We should be active in advertising in the universities and building relationship among the students and leaders.

Servanthood Evangelism

Being a witness through serving the community in some specific way. (ie. Helping, Meeting needs, Prayer-requests, etc.)

Apostolic Ministry

“He appointed twelve—designating them apostles—that they might be with him and that he might send them out to preach and to have authority to drive out demons.” – Mark 3:14

“After spending some time in Antioch, Paul set out from there and traveled from place to place throughout the region of Galatia and Phrygia, strengthening all the disciples” – Acts 18:23

This ministry involves teams and individuals being sent by God to different places to minister to the larger body of Christ and spread the fire in Australia and other nations

Building the Body

There is a commission on our ministry to build up the body of Christ throughout Australia by laying the foundation of Christ in churches and watering the seeds that have been planted. Our heart is not just for our own fellowship, but for the maturing of the whole body.

Spreading the Fire

God has called us to be consumed with His fire and to spread His fire to other churches and lives. It is our goal to make people “hot” for God.

Deliverance

Much of the church and those who are lost need deliverance from demonic spirits that afflict, torment and oppress them. Through ministering the Word in the power of the Spirit and personal ministry we will drive out the power of demons and set the captive free.

Planting Churches and Birthing Ministries

God has commissioned us to plant churches, raise up ministers and birth ministries that will bring the Kingdom revolution into the world.

Short-Term Missions & Long-Term Missions

We envision teams going out on short-term and long-term missions. We also envision pilots and planes to be used as tools to bring aid to poor regions and bring ministry to remote areas.

Publishing House

“And the gospel must first be published among all nations.” – Mark 13:10

We desire to establish a publishing house in Brisbane that will enable us to publish the message the Lord has given us in all forms of media – books, magazines, newspapers, tracts, brochures, etc.