The Go Team’s strategy is led by Timothy Paul and includes members Peter Anjohn, Lydia Household, and Priscilla Aquila. Our pastor, Telly Goforth, is the project champion. We praise God that these men and women have the calling, capacity, and capability to mobilize our church and hold us accountable to Jesus for fulfilling the Great Commission in our lifetime.

1. **Endvision**
   
   We see a day when lives and our community is transformed with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Our church will become the people who are known for helping others find Jesus, begin their spiritual walk with Him, and make disciple-makers. From this church, we envision a time in the near future when we are producing tomorrow’s missionaries, pastors, and church leaders. The sin in our community will be replaced by glorifying God.

   We must not think we can ever do this alone. The task is certainly “God-sized.” If we could do it in our own strength, it wouldn’t be of the Lord. We look forward to partnering with five to seven churches on a regular basis and perhaps dozens of others in a one-touch encounter. We desire at least 1,000 people praying for this endeavor. We will work while the day is bright, because we know night is coming when our work will be hindered by the Enemy.

   We want to track success in these categories:
   - Relationships: Deep and wide relationships with churches nurtured over time.
   - Trained volunteers: Evangelism training and learning by doing are priorities
   - Salvations: Tracking those who come to Christ is essential
   - Baptisms: Nurturing new believers to obey Jesus’ example will be our main success
   - New believers: Working with new Christians is important for their growth and networking

   We believe this “endvision” is possible by trusting entirely upon the strength of the Holy Spirit who is leading us to take several key steps outlined in this evangelism strategy: research, prayer, equipping, sowing abundantly, and training new believers.

2. **Research lostness**
   
   Priscilla Aquila leads the information gathering aspects of this strategy. She is using her considerable technical skills to compile decision-making information. Some information is available online, but Priscilla will supervise door-to-door canvassing projects. Our question remains: Where are the greatest pockets of lostness? Zip Code demographic information is available [free] from the St. Louis Metro Association for every zip code in Missouri.

   Priscilla is putting together a team that will conduct surveys and also needs people who can compile the information.
Priscilla is also asking our city planners about their top three most “impossible” needs. She will constantly channel information like this to Timothy Paul and the Go Team.

3. **Pray intentionally**
   Lydia Household leads the prayer team. She is seeking 1,000 prayer supports from our church and from any partnering churches. She needs someone who will produce a prayer guide and print it for our church members.
   A churchwide prayer study developed by OneCry is being planned for Wednesdays in June and July.
   MAY 7 – NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER – Gather at our church at 11:30 and we’ll travel together to the County Courthouse to do serious praying until 1:00 p.m. The Senior Adult Choir plans to sing and Pastor Telly will speak. Lydia will lead the event as emcee.
   JULY 5 PRAYER AND FASTING DAY for the lost in our community. Attend the Early Bird Prayer Meeting from 7:00 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. Childcare provided. Periods of prayer in the Worship Service are being planned by Lydia and Pastor Telly.
   Prayer walking is also being planned early in the summer – late June at the latest. There is spiritual warfare in our community that must diminish for success.
   Each Sunday School class in the church is being asked for names of those who are lost and how to contact them. The prayer team will pray for each one. Each class is being assigned a specific “window” of time that they will pray. Some will require more sacrifice of members than others.
   The prayer team will drive or walk through every corner of our community. Join them!
   If your class or group would like to plug into this strategy, contact Lydia.

4. **Equip for disciple-making**
   Team leader Timothy Paul is personal taking on the equipping portion of the strategy. Every Sunday School from middle schoolers up through adults is being challenged to participate in the four lesson “Summer of Fishing” Sunday School Evangelism Lessons. Learn how to “Make Fishers of Men.” Every Sunday morning in May will be the time to study these lessons.
   Timothy Paul is working with Pastor Telly to have a witnessing testimony all month long. Be encouraged and invite your friends to the services in May.
   Welcome our partners: We are proudly partnering for evangelism projects all summer with Jerusalem Baptist Church and Antioch Baptist Church. Make them feel welcome at different events! They are not here to do evangelism FOR us, but WITH us!
   Peter Anjohn is working with our new Decision Counselors who are being trained on Sunday night, May 17. They will be a new addition to help new believers after their decision to follow Christ and make it public. They will be trained in how to lead someone to Christ and also help new believers become active witnesses and disciple-makers in their circles of influence.

5. **Sow down the Gospel**
   The entire Go Team is planning ongoing evangelism projects all summer long. Look for these specific opportunities to plug in and be a witness for Jesus!
Pastor Telly is leading RING IT visitation for adults every Tuesday night at 7:00 p.m. He needs every Sunday School class teacher, deacon, and classes assigned to specific Tuesday nights to go with him all summer long.

Youth are being gathered by Peter Anjohn with all youth leaders for a RING IT every Saturday morning for all summer long for canvassing neighborhoods.

RING IT BLITZ: Mark your calendars for June 22-28 for our partnering churches to join us in canvassing and soul-winning visitation this week. Meet for prayer from 4:00 – 5:30 p.m. We’ll eat a light dinner, then head out at 7:00 p.m. for the RING IT BLITZ.

SEVEN STORIES OF HOPE: Bring your lost friends and family members (middle school and older) to the Seven Stories Class starting up to be led by Pastor Telly. Each class is an evangelism class where the gospel will become part of the Bible study. Attend a class on Wednesday night, July 1, if you want to conduct this series in your home. Home-based Bible studies will be important after canvassing and the July 4 Liberty Ring It to follow-up.

JULY 4 LIBERTY RING IT: Our partnering churches will bring special music, a talent show, and block party all rolled into one. We’ll provide the firework show, hot dogs, and apple pie. We plan to distribute flyers all morning and then gather at Jericho Wall Apartments community center that is right next to the Jacob Well Park. It should be fun, but a serious event as our partners take the lead for one night and we handle follow-up as well as witnessing onsite.

SEX TRAFFICKING ALERT – COUNTY FAIR RESCUE JULY 18: Women of the church will gather at the church and go canvas women at our County Fair to see if they are trapped in sex trafficking. Priscilla Aquila will collect response cards. Hotels in our county are on standby for those who need to flee abusive situations. Social services are also on alert for processing and counseling. Come to the training meeting Friday, July 17 at 7:00 p.m. at the church.

AUGUST 8 BACK TO SCHOOL BACKPACK PARTY: Be ready to work with our partnering churches who are helping us stuff backpacks to provide to low-income kids in the Jericho Wall Apartments. Look for lists from Priscilla Aquila of what to bring and then distribute to the kids. Turn in kids names outside the apartments to Priscilla and we’ll try to get them covered.

Ongoing evangelism: We will be distributing Gospel tracts to every church member in the weeks leading up to July 4. These are to be used after sharing the Gospel. We recommend the Bridge Presentation using one Bible verse: Romans 6:23. Bibles and tracts will be available at RING IT places throughout the church.

Disaster Relief: Make sure your status is current and can respond when needed. The is tornado months and we need to have each person qualified, stocked up, and ready to help – not just for an expression of compassion, but also as an opportunity to minister and witness.

Names of lost persons should be turned into the Prayer Team will be compiled by Lydia Householder and submitted to Timothy Paul for follow-up. After praying over them, church members will make in-home visits to pray with people, share the Gospel message using the Bridge presentation, and seek to see them repent and believe in Jesus. These will all be shared with the partnering churches so they can join us in praying for them, too.

IT’S A MOVIE! Peter Anjohn will be leading a weekly Matinee on Saturday 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. on the shady side of the church building for young parents. He’ll take it inside for blistering hot afternoons and rain. Look for summer fun with a purpose. He also plans to show “God is Not Dead” and several other evangelistic movies later in the summer. Peter needs a witnessing
team and also needs an AV team to work with him helping with the set-up. Partnering churches will help with this project when in town.

Priscilla Aquila is coordinating social media presence during the campaign. She is encouraging every believer to write their testimony to put on our church’s website. A special card will be printed with the link to your testimony online and given just to you. The care will also carry the Evangelism Response Center phone number 1-888-JESUS-20.

6. Disciple New Believers Following Jesus

Peter Anjohn is tasked with making disciples who know how to make disciples of others. She will coordinate the work of the decision counselors and our partners who turn in response cards. She will make sure each new believer is settled into an existing Bible study class. And she is coordinating with Timothy Paul to get ongoing discipleship going for these that may not yet have a small group Bible study underway that meets their needs as new believers.

AUGUST 5 TO SEPT. 6 – Peter Anjohn is beginning a “New Believers Following Jesus” discipling class. Those who accept Christ – and their family members are invited to participate in this discussion-based Bible study. Expect the classes to repeat.

THIRD SUNDAY BAPTISMS: (Beginning June 21) Pastor Telly has agreed to work with the deacons and Baptismal Committee to make baptisms as inclusive and celebratory as possible. New believers are encouraged to invite family members to their baptism. The focus of the service should be on the need for salvation and baptism. This helps the new believer be a bolder witness for Jesus.

7. Ongoing Celebrations:

As the campaign continues throughout the year, testimonials and experiences are planning to be showcased in our church newsletter, worship services, and online website as well as in our Tweets and Facebook posts. The idea is not to highlight the Go Team more than any other committee or working group in the church. It is not bragging on what they did – or even our church did, but to bring glory to what God did through our church through the activity of the Holy Spirit. This is an Acts 14:27 event as the church gets together and learns how God “opened a door of faith.”

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