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1. Knowing God Intimately and Bringing Him Joy

We were created for the Lord – to know and love Him. It is good news that God Our Father has provided a way of salvation for us and has revealed Himself to us through His Son, Jesus Christ, and through His Word, made alive to us by the Holy Spirit. Through these He desires to make known to us His character and nature, inviting us to enter into an intimate relationship with Him. In this relationship we draw near to Him in order to discover the desires of His heart, learning to live and walk with Him. We bring Him joy through who we are in Him and our daily response of faith, focused on fulfilling the desires of His heart.

1.1 The Priority of Knowing God in a Proven and Intimate Way

Our priority is to know God intimately through a proven knowledge of Him.

I will take you as my own people, and I will be your God. Then you will know that I am the Lord your God, who brought you out from under the yoke of the Egyptians. Ex. 6:7

You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. I will be found by you, declares the Lord, and will bring you back from captivity. I will gather you from all the nations and places where I have banished you, declares the Lord, and will bring you back to the place from which I carried you into exile. Jer. 29:13-14

Matt. 11:25, 27, Job 42:5, John 17:22-23

Our primary goal is to know God intimately. We can know Him, His character, nature and ways through studying His word, and by trusting Him to lead us in experiences which bring us into a proven revelation of who He really is.

1.2 Ministry to the Lord - Our First Priority

Before we minister to people we will always minister to the Lord.

Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind." Matt. 22:37

John 21:15-17, John 17:4, Matt. 26:7-13

It is very easy to become focused on the needs of people and to forget about ministering to God. We need to keep reminding ourselves and those we work with that He is the most deserving of our love and attention. This should be reflected in the priority focus we give Him in our training, our public ministry and the example of our personal lives.

1.3 Living to Bring Joy to the Heart of God

We live daily to bring God joy through who we are, our heart motivation and our actions.

The one who sent me is with me; He has not left me alone, for I always do what pleases Him. John 8:29

Zeph. 3:17, Matt. 3:17, John 15:10-11, Heb. 11:5-6, John 5:30, John 6:38

As we start each day we can ask the Lord: "How can I bring you joy?" This focus can then be the motivation for the way we spend our day. As the day ends, if we ask and listen, He delights to tell us how much we

have brought joy to Him, through who we are, our heart motivation and our actions. Helping young people to develop life habits like these deepens and sustains their relationship with God.

1.4 Dependency on Hearing and Obeying God's Voice

God speaks to us personally and as we listen to Him we obey and fulfill His heart's desires.

Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word of Christ. Rom. 10:17

1 Sam. 3:10, Matt. 4:4, John 10:27, John 14:23-24, Isa. 55:6, Deut. 8:3

God's personal communication with us is an exciting and essential part of our growing relationship with Him. It is also the key to inspiring faith in our hearts. This is a vital factor in how we operate in KKI. Every participant needs to be encouraged to seek God's personal leading in his or her life whenever possible, rather than depending upon human reason and personal decision-making. The things God initiates produce lasting fruit. Listening to God's voice can become a natural way of life, especially if we start practicing it when we are young.

1.5 Friendship with God

God's heart is that we be His trusted friends who are privileged to share in His thoughts and feelings, who live to please Him.

I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know His master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. John 15:15

Ex. 33:11, James 2:23

God created man in His image so that we could enjoy intimate relationships with Him. Our teaching should emphasize our friendship with Him as a way of life. This includes having a concern to please God above everything else. It means becoming a trusted friend who is privileged to share in His most tender thoughts and feelings. KKI is committed to learning what it means to love the Lord with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength.

1.6 The Bible, Our Standard for All of Life

The Word of God should dwell richly in our minds and hearts and be the foundation of our lives.

All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work. 2 Tim. 3:16-17

Psalms 1:1-3, Psalm 119:11, 1 John 2:14, Col. 3:16, Psalm 138:2

The Bible is the inspired, authoritative word of God. It needs to be read, memorized and meditated upon regularly, so that it may dwell richly in our hearts. It should direct our thoughts, words and deeds as the foundational standard for all of life. The scriptures should saturate all of our teaching and be referred to constantly as the reason we do what we do.

1.7 Worship

A primary aspect of our calling is a lifestyle of ministry to the Lord through thanksgiving, praise and worship.

From the lips of children and infants you have ordained praise, because of your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger. Psalm 8:2

Matt. 21:16, John 4:24, Col. 3:17, Psalm 100:4, Isa. 12:4-6

A primary aspect of our calling, in the same way that it was for the Levites, is a lifestyle of ministry to the Lord through thanksgiving, praise and worship. We recognize that children and youth have a special God-given capacity to worship. Just as the children in New Testament times spontaneously acknowledged and celebrated Jesus, so today they are quick to respond in worship to the revelation of who He is.

1.8 Prayer / Intercession and Spiritual Warfare

We join in God's purposes through prayer, intercession and spiritual warfare.

I looked for a man among them who would build up the wall and stand before me in the gap on behalf of the land so I would not have to destroy it, but I found none. Ezek. 22:30

1 John 5:14,15, James 5:13-18, John 17, Psalm 8:2, Eph. 6:10-18, Heb. 7:25, Isa. 53:12

Prayer is a focal point of KKI. Jesus constantly intercedes for us and it is a privilege to join Him in prayer. It is here that young people learn to share in God's thoughts and feelings. They also have an opportunity to see God's mercy extended into the lives of peoples and nations. The primary emphasis for children in spiritual warfare is worship. Our emphasis in spiritual warfare clearly needs to be in glorifying our victorious almighty God and letting Him deal with the enemy on our behalf.

1.9 Salvation

We have the joy of sharing an invitation to a personal relationship with the Lord, with our KKI participants and others that we encounter.

For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16

2 Cor. 5:15, Rom. 1:16-17, Rom. 3:23, Rom. 6:23, Rom. 10:9-10, Rom. 5:8, 1 John 1:9, Psalm 103:12

What a joy it is to introduce those we are working with to a compassionate God of love, rather than to a religious system. Many of the people we encounter may be unfamiliar with the gospel or may be religious, but do not know Jesus in a personal way. We are committed to ensuring that each person who participates in KKI has the opportunity to hear and respond to the gospel. We should be very careful not to take their relationship with God for granted, or to pressure them into this relationship prematurely without proper understanding. When they are really ready to accept Jesus as their Lord and Savior, we must not only walk with them through this joyous new birth experience, but also be prepared to help them continue a process of spiritual growth towards maturity in Christ. The help of other Christian friends, parents, church, and school leaders is very important in this follow through process.

1.10 The Centrality of Jesus Christ and the Cross

Our discipleship and outreach expressions should focus on Jesus Christ and His finished work on the cross.

For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified. 1 Cor. 2:2

Acts 4:12, John 12:32, John 14:6, 1 John 5:12, 1 John 2:6

Our public witness should focus on the person of Jesus Christ and the finished work of the cross. His name is the only name through which we can be saved. He is the way, the truth and the life. All our discipleship programs should have, at their center, the redemptive work of Jesus and the ministry of reconciliation provided for us through His death and resurrection.

1.11 The Grace of God

All the blessings of God are undeserved and cannot be earned by good works, but are given by grace.

God raised us up with Christ and seated us with Him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus, in order that in the coming ages He might show the incomparable riches of His grace, expressed in His kindness to us in Christ Jesus. For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith - and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God, not by works, so that no one can boast. Eph. 2:6-9

Heb. 4:16, 2.Cor. 9:8, Rev. 22:2, John 1:14-17, Rom. 5:20-21

All the blessings of God, including salvation itself, come as undeserved gifts, which cannot be earned by good works but are given by grace. Such is the greatness of the love of God. To understand and appropriate the abundant, all-sufficient grace of God is the key to experiencing and passing on the fullness of life Jesus came to give us. An atmosphere of gracious acceptance, a “grace first, truth second” principle of understanding, rather than legalism and excessive rule-making should be a life-promoting hallmark of the KKI ministry. We all need encouragement and reminders of God’s capacity to help us in every area of our lives, especially in times of failure and discouragement.

1.12 Knowing God as Our Father

God wants us to know Him as our loving heavenly Father.

At that time Jesus said, “I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children. ... All things have been committed to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal Him.” Matt. 11:25, 27

1 John 2:13, Matt. 6:9, John 14:9-11, Psalm 68:5

Jesus came to make the Father known to us. God wants all of us to know Him as Father; children and youth especially have the capacity to understand and relate personally to God in this way. In a time when there are so few fathers fulfilling their role as God intended, this aspect of relationship to God is especially important. We are committed to teaching and ministering this healing reality.

1.13 The Holy Spirit, Our Enabler

The Holy Spirit brings us comfort and enables us to carry out God's will on earth.

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

John 14:16-17, 26, John 16:7-15, Eph. 5:18.

The presence of the Holy Spirit in the life of each individual brings comfort, strength, direction, boldness to witness and supernatural capacity to become like Jesus and do the will of God against any odds. While maintaining sensitivity to differing opinions about how the Holy Spirit can be welcomed and released, it is important to study His person, learn to yield to His working and depend upon His power if we are to see the will of God accomplished on the earth.

1.14 The Pursuit of Holiness

As we encounter God's holiness and embrace the fear of the Lord, our heart's desire is to become more holy.

Since we have these promises, dear friends, let us purify ourselves from everything that contaminates body and spirit, perfecting holiness out of reverence for God. 2 Cor. 7:1

1 Peter 1:15-16, Heb. 12:14, Prov. 1:7, Psalm 34:9-15, Deut. 5:29, Matt. 10:8, Phil 4:8

It is our privilege to join young people in drawing near to God, seeking to know Him in the beauty of His holiness. We cannot teach them or lead them in this if it is not an integral part of our own lives as leaders. When His holiness is encountered and the desire to become holy is birthed in our hearts, then an embracing of the fear of the Lord or "hating what He hates and loving what He loves" becomes the next step we are able to take by His grace.

1.15 Discovering God's Character and Ways

It is essential for us to discover and understand who God is and how He works.

"But let him who boasts, boast about this: that he understands and knows me, that I am the LORD, who exercises kindness, justice and righteousness on earth, for in these I delight," declares the LORD. Jer. 9:24

Ex. 33:13, 2 Peter 1:3-8, Psalm 86:11

Beyond information about the Bible and salvation, it is very important to lead those we are working with in discovering and understanding who God really is. We can do this as we cooperate with the Holy Spirit in making abstract concepts concrete through example, experience and explanation. Often this comes by discerning what God is trying to teach us about himself through a challenging experience. We must be alert to these "teachable moments". These lead us into a deeper trust in God and form a basis for loving and worshiping Him for who He really is.

1.16 Personal Identity and Self Worth

Realizing that our identity and value comes from God alone, and not from our works or the opinion of others, is essential.

*I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well.
Psalm 139:14*

Gen. 1:27, Isa. 43:1, 1 Peter 1:18, John 17:23, Rom. 5:8, Song of Sol. 7:10, Zeph.3:17

In the light of who God is, His love for us, and the value He has placed on our lives; evidenced by the detailed way He has planned and formed us, we have reason to accept ourselves and be truly thankful for who we are. Time and emphasis given to this healing foundational discovery is very necessary if those we are working with are to progress toward their full potential. We must affirm and live by the Biblical value system of acceptance based upon who each person is and on God's love for them, not based on what they can do or on others' opinions of them.

1.17 Enjoying God

God created us to enjoy Him and be fully satisfied in Him.

Delight yourself in the LORD and he will give you the desires of your heart. Psalm 37:4

Psalm 63: 3-5, Psalm 16:11, 1 Tim.6:6, Psalm 119:68, Psalm 145:9

"God is most glorified in me when I am most satisfied in Him." - J. Piper

We want to see young people experience what it means to enjoy God. This freedom to delight their hearts in Him is itself a fulfillment of one of the reasons God has created man. It brings great joy to God and is a powerful witness of the goodness of His character. Misunderstanding of God's character and purpose for the creation of man has led to legalism and a sad absence of real joy in the lives of many Christians. May God help us to model and emphasize this quality of life in such a way that it becomes an integral part of the lifestyle of those with whom we work.

1.18 Living by Faith

We are committed to a lifestyle of loving, trusting and obeying God as we live by faith.

Without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to Him must believe that He exists and that He rewards those who earnestly seek Him. Heb. 11:6

2 Cor.5:7

Without faith it is impossible to please God. It is important to invite those we are serving to join us in a lifestyle of loving, trusting and obeying God. We should be willing to lead by example in moving out of our comfort zones, beyond our human abilities and resources into our frontiers of faith. In so doing, we can discover how capable God is and what His ways tell us about His character. In light of this, the KKI leader should try to limit the degree to which he/she organizes the experiences of the participants, providing ample opportunity for them to learn together.

2. Discipleship Training in the Context of Daily Living

Being a follower of Jesus means to take up our cross daily and follow Him, to be whole-heartedly committed to loving and obeying Him, and to learn how to think, speak, and act out of the life we have in Jesus, all of which brings Him joy. We understand that discipleship happens best in close mentoring

relationships through our example and personal life sharing, as we welcome those of all ages to walk with us in all of life, including in our friendships, family, local church, missional community and various outreach expressions.

2.1 Developing Disciples Rather than Performers

We are more concerned about the character development of the individual than his/her performance.

How can you believe if you accept praise from one another, yet make no effort to obtain the praise that comes from the only God? John 5:44

Prov. 27:21, Romans 2:29, 2 Cor. 3:18

The character development of the individual is of utmost importance. If young people have been active in serving the Lord but have not grown closer in their relationship with God, grown more like Him, discovered more about who they are in Him and experienced balanced personal development, then their experience has not been maximized. The amount of time and emphasis we give for personal growth, compared to skills development or Christian service activities, indicates what our priorities really are. As we give both quality and quantity time and effort to the discipleship of the individual, we are in line with God's priorities.

2.2 Godly Motivation

We are called to prioritize loving God with all we are, and then our neighbor.

He died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for Him who died for them and was raised again. 2 Cor. 5:15

Matt. 22:37-38, Gal. 5:16-17, John 15:9-15, Deut. 6:5

It is our desire to see the individuals we work with moved in their hearts with a love and concern for God above a concern for man. It is firstly love the Lord your God, and secondly love your neighbor as yourself. Children can easily be threatened and bribed into fulfilling the expectations of others, but it is important that the right motivation of heart is in place, which will help them to develop into their full potential. One way we can help them in this is through frequent times of heart preparation, especially before public ministry. Wrong motives and pressure to perform beyond what is in their hearts (hypocrisy) can quickly build up resentment, immunizing them against the things of God. They must never be pressured to move beyond what is really true to them.

2.3 God Pleasing Mentality, Character and Lifestyle

We want to see each person "walk in the light" in every aspect of daily life.

Whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him. Col. 3:17

1 Tim. 4:12, Micah 6:8, Phil. 4:8-9, Rom. 12:1-2, 1 John 1:7

It is our desire to see each individual we are working with established in consistent thought patterns and habits that are pleasing to the Lord. We want to see each person "walk in the light" in every aspect of daily life. Communities, discipleship programs and consistent relationships with other believers are extremely important for facilitating this. Nurturing influences at home and in the local church are strategic in this

process. Such qualities as transparency, care for others, accountability to parents and church leaders, and servanthood should be high priority objectives.

2.4 Servanthood

Walking with the Father like Jesus did is key to growth in the heart of every disciple.

Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others. Phil. 2:3-4

Matt. 20:26-28, John 13:14-17, Phil. 2:3-8

We purpose to lead those we are working with into a heart understanding of Jesus as the servant and the real fulfillment there is in a lifestyle of service. An emphasis on servanthood should be an integral part of every training and outreach activity. It should be strongly and consistently modeled by our leaders and nurtured in our daily schedules.

2.5 Relinquishing of Rights

Radical disciples daily submit their will under God's will.

Then Jesus said to his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for me will find it. What good will it be for a man if he gains the whole world, yet forfeits his soul? Or what can a man give in exchange for his soul?" Matt. 16:24-26

Matt. 6:33, Matt. 26:3, Isa. 55:9

A key to victory over temptation, freedom to do the will of God, sensitivity to God's leading and true spiritual authority lies in the willingness to give back to the Lord all He has given to us. Those who try to save their lives will lose them. This truth cannot be required, but rather applied to the degree a person has understood the worthiness of the Lord and the way this was reflected in Jesus' way of living. This often happens by seeing selflessness modeled by someone we love and respect.

2.6 The "Bear and Lion" Principle

Facing giants normally starts with facing the 'bear and the lion.'

"Your servant has killed both the lion and the bear; this uncircumcised Philistine will be like one of them, because he has defied the armies of the living God. The LORD who delivered me from the paw of the lion and the paw of the bear will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine." 1 Sam. 17:32-37

Rom. 5:3-5, James 1:2-4, John 16:33

David was able to defeat Goliath because He began to prepare at a young age. Only God knows what giants today's young people and children will have to face in their lifetime. Because of the strategic time in history in which they are living, it is essential that we walk with them through the training experiences which God will faithfully send their way. These bear and lion difficulties are actually opportunities to learn the sufficiency and greatness of God. If we overprotect our children from these opportunities, they may not be ready to face the challenges that are awaiting them during their lifetime.

2.7 Learning by Doing

We learn best by putting faith into action and practicing it.

Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says. James 1:22

Heb. 11

Practical hands-on experiences help to make abstract concepts concrete and lend themselves to learning that has lasting results. Lectures should be limited to an introductory function. Learning in the context of relationships always brings the deepest and most lasting results. It is the responsibility of the KKI leaders to participate with the young people, children and families in these experiences and help them to recognize applicable Biblical truths. Explanation, often in a question-and-answer mode, is one of the best ways to do this – teaching about how to think and not only what to think.

2.8 Input and Output

Output is as important as input for a disciple to grow.

When Jesus heard this, he was astonished and said to those following him, "I tell you the truth, I have not found anyone in Israel with such great faith." Matt. 8:10

Matt. 10:8, Luke 6:38, 1 John 3:18, James 2:14-26, Acts 20:35

Just as there is an equal amount of blood that flows out of the heart as flows in, the kingdom of God includes a cycle of giving and receiving. In the life of each individual, special care should be taken to ensure that they are soon able to apply and give out to the degree that they have received. In many Christian ministries, more emphasis tends to be placed on what children are given than on how much they give out. This creates an unhealthy accumulation of things they know they should do, without an opportunity to put them into practice. As a result, condemnation, a sense of failure and even hypocrisy can follow. This principle is very important if we are to help children grow in a normal and healthy manner.

2.9 Loving Consistent Discipline

Discipleship takes place best in a loving community with safe and clear boundaries.

Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it. Prov. 22:6

Heb. 12:5-11, Prov. 3 & 4, Prov. 1:8-9, 1 Tim. 4:7-8

Young people appreciate clearly defined boundaries and expectations, with related consequences. These guidelines, designed to maximize the benefits for each individual, should be in place to provide necessary support for righteousness, peace and joy for the entire group. These standards will be affected by age and maturity levels. Guidelines should be communicated and enforced in a gracious relationship-oriented, just and consistent manner. Inconsistency or favoritism will destroy credibility. It is important that the standards and procedures of group discipline be clearly defined, understood and committed to by staff, parents and young people before the activity begins. Lack of unity amongst the staff on this issue can seriously undermine its effectiveness. It is especially critical to work this through in detail when multiple families with differing standards are participating in the same group.

2.10 A Biblical Christian Worldview

We aim to equip disciples ready to think and behave with the mind of Christ in today's world.

“The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples built by hands. And he is not served by human hands, as if he needed anything, because he himself gives all men life and breath and everything else. From one man he made every nation of men, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he determined the times set for them and the exact places where they should live.” Acts 17:24-26

Acts 17:22-31, Acts 7:1-60

We are committed to helping individuals understand how God and His kingdom relate to all of life, and to exciting their imagination with how they can participate in transforming various sectors of society to come into closer alignment with the will of God on earth. What life will be like as the Lordship of Jesus is truly applied to the whole earth is a captivating consideration - especially when our part in seeing this happen is clearly understood.

2.11 No Sacred-Secular Dichotomy

We believe that every part of life is holy and to be enjoyed in a way that pleases God.

Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows. James 1:17

Acts 10:15, 1 Tim. 4:4

We believe that all of creation and all of life, including every vocation and every gift, exist to bring glory to God. We need to be a part of reclaiming what the enemy has twisted and perverted, and using it for the glory of God.

2.12 Skills and Creativity

We encourage developing skills and creativity, and obtaining a knowledge of the world and its people

To these four young men God gave knowledge and understanding of all kinds of literature and learning. And Daniel could understand visions and dreams of all kinds. Dan. 1:17

Eph.2:10

In the midst of growing spiritually, we aim to help those we are working with to develop personal life skills and creativity. A study of the nations, their people, cultures and languages, especially in the context of intercession and outreach, is vital in serving a well-balanced growth process. Vehicles of expression such as sports, practical service, singing, dancing, drama, public speaking etc. all have potential for year round skills development. We would like to avoid pressuring young people to greatly improve their skills during short term camps and outreaches. Learning should be fun. Everyone should have the opportunity to improve his or her skills in a time frame and manner that he is comfortable with. It is important to cooperate with parents, teachers and church leaders in order to serve the young people's learning and growth experiences effectively.

2.13 Care for the Environment

God honoring stewardship of the whole of life, including our environment, is an important aspect to Christian discipleship.

God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air and over every living creature that moves on the ground."

Gen. 1:28

Gen.2:15, Psalm 8:3-8, Psalm 145:17, Rom. 12:1, Gen. 1:28-31

We recognize that our environment is a gift of love from our Creator God. Out of appreciation for this gift and out of love for Him, we desire to look after our environment and ourselves. A balanced, well-rounded approach to all aspects of man and His environment should be seen as an important element in discipling the nations. Irresponsibility in this area results in misrepresenting God's character.

2.14 Emphasis on our Common Christian Beliefs

Our discipleship is based on the person of Jesus and what would bring unity to the body of Christ.

Until all of us are united in the faith and in the full knowledge of God's Son, and until we attain mature adulthood and the full standard of development in the Messiah. Eph 4:13

Isa. 54:13, Prov. 20:3, Eph. 4:11-16, 2 Tim. 2:22-23, 1 Cor. 3:4-9

It is a wise leader who learns to focus on the person of Jesus, character of God and kingdom principles in a way that conveys essential truth and nurtures growth while avoiding controversial topics that can be divisive and destructive. Children and young people should be encouraged to honor the convictions of their parents and church leaders, while pursuing clarity in their personal views, based on the Bible, their own experience and Godly counsel. The personal doctrinal convictions of KKI leaders must not be dogmatically imposed upon the participants. KKI is committed to serving the body of Christ on an international, interdenominational basis and therefore requests that all of its staff emphasize those elements that are recognized to be a part of common Christian beliefs.

2.15 Relationship-Based Training

Training/mentoring and multiplication works best through example and relationship.

Turning around, Jesus saw them following and asked, "What do you want?" They said, "Rabbi" (which means teacher), "where are you staying?" "Come," He replied, "and you will see." So they went and saw where He was staying, and spent that day with Him. It was about the tenth hour. John 1:38-39

2 Tim. 2:2, 1 Cor. 11:1

Relationship-based impartation was Jesus' strategy for leadership development. His example is worth following. The imparting of life values and skills is deeply affected by the level of relationship that exists between individuals. We encourage KKI leaders to consider a small group of people or an individual in whom they can invest more deeply. Only then can effective multiplication take place. This lifestyle may mean pulling back so that the other individual can be released, hopefully.

3. The Destiny and Spiritual Capacity of Children, Pre-teens and Teenagers

God's view of the spiritual capacity of children and youth can be very different from our human perspective of them. We have the privilege of seeing them from a biblical perspective, through Jesus' eyes, in order to love them with His love and welcome them to walk with us and with Him. Then, together with us, they can experience and know their Heavenly Father. This enables them to develop into their true God-intended potential through the various stages of their lives, and to fulfill the destiny God has purposed and prepared for them.

3.1 Spiritual Capacity of Children, Pre-teens and Teenagers

Children and young people can know God, love Him, hear His voice, obey Him and be involved in His Kingdom work.

Then little children were brought to Jesus for Him to place His hands on them and pray for them. But the disciples rebuked those who brought them. Jesus said, "Let the little children come to Me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Matt. 19:13-14

Matt. 18:10, Matt. 18:5, 1 Sam. 17:33, Jer. 1:6, 1 Tim. 4:12, Matt. 21:15-16, 1 John 2:13, Ecc.12:1, Acts 2:38-39, 1 Sam.3: 7-10, Matt.11: 25-27, Luke 1:15, 44

God's view of children's ability to know and serve Him is very different from most people's view. He rebuked the disciples for keeping the children from coming to Him. We need to be sure that our assessment of their capacities is biblically-based. We must honor and relate to them in a way that brings them to Jesus and encourages them to reach for their full spiritual potential. The absence of this biblical perspective in the minds and hearts of church and community leaders, parents, teachers and youth and children's workers is one of the biggest hindrances to today's children and young people entering into their true potential in Christ. It is our responsibility to model and teach this value.

3.2 Stages of Development / Targeted Teaching

We need to recognize the different stages of human development and train children and young people accordingly.

And the child grew and became strong; He was filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was upon Him. Luke 2:40

God has made us in a marvelous way so that our growth takes us through various stages of mental, emotional, spiritual and physical development. There are factors that are observable about each of these developmental stages. Certain truths can be more readily understood and applied at particular times. It is our responsibility to study in order to be better acquainted with these factors so that our training content and methodology are effectively suited to each person's stage of development.

3.3 The Pre-teens Strategy

As the pre-teen years are an important time of personal development, it is crucial to prepare pre-teens effectively.

And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men. Luke 2:52

We recognize that God has created us with the capacity to enter into increased levels of responsibility, particularly as we become teenagers. How we are prepared for this important transitional period is critical. The thought patterns of teens are often established between the ages of 10 and 12. A lack of understanding concerning this has resulted in many teens withdrawing from God – too many of them never to return. It is necessary to prepare the pre-teen effectively if we expect the teen years to be healthy and fruitful. This preparation time is best handled by a combination of parents, local church and community leaders and, where appropriate, KKI personnel. A return to a biblical perspective of training must be a matter of high priority.

3.4 Rites of Passage

We recognize and celebrate important transition stages in life.

Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed David in the presence of his brothers, and the Spirit of the LORD came on David from that day forward 1 Sam. 16:13

Luke 2:41-51

God has designed us to progress through various stages of development. It is important to recognize these major transition points in life's journey. These transitions provide significant opportunities to prepare for the next season in ways that can impact all of life. Such transition points include the beginning of one's formal education, transitioning from pre-teen to teenager, preparing to engage with higher education or the workforce as a young adult, as well as moving from single person to being a married couple. It is important to consider how we can best prepare and support those who take these developmental steps in the context of their family and community.

3.5 The Importance of Youth Ownership

Youth gain heart-ownership of ministry situations as we value their contributions and release them in ministry.

Then Esther [a teenager] sent this reply to Mordecai: "Go, gather together all the Jews who are in Susa, and fast for me. Do not eat or drink for three days, night or day. I and my maids will fast as you do. When this is done, I will go to the king, even though it is against the law. And if I perish, I perish." Esther 4:15-16

1 Sam. 17:37, 2 Tim. 1:5, Luke 1:38, Dan. 6:10

It is essential that young people not only obey our directives, but that their contributions are welcomed and their opinions heard. In involving them in hearing the voice of God with us, and also in decision making, they are drawn into a vital partnership. As they offer to take on responsibility out of their own free will, they will begin an exciting process of saying, "This is my ministry too!" This kind of involvement is more important than getting them to do something that was our idea. They need to be trusted and given the opportunity to try, even if they sometimes fail and do not measure up to expectations. Heart-ownership is a key to motivation and is a goal worth reaching for, even when it takes a long time.

3.6 The Importance of Leadership Training for Teenagers

It is important to train teenagers in various aspects of leadership and release them into increasing levels of responsibility.

Timothy, my son, I give you this instruction in keeping with the prophecies once made about you, so that by following them you may fight the good fight. 1 Tim. 1:18

1 Sam. 17

It is important to respect and entrust teenagers with appropriate levels of responsibility. These levels vary in degree and category according to personality, natural gifting, training, call of God and speed of maturation. They need to understand that they are a vital link between the generations and that the extent to which they will grow is directly influenced by their willingness both to receive from adults and to serve others, including those who are younger. Humility, servanthood, and courage to be radically obedient to God and His word are key watchwords for their development. Helping parents, community, school and church leaders to welcome teenagers into their adult "world" is a part of our commitment to seeing them take hold of their full potential in Christ.

3.7 Chosen Generation Concept

The emerging generations have a special role in completing the Great Commission; they must be appropriately prepared to carry this out and to overcome the challenges they will face.

By faith Moses' parents hid him for three months after he was born, because they saw he was no ordinary child, and they were not afraid of the king's edict. Heb. 11:23

Matt. 2:13, Matt. 24:14, Acts 2:17

As KKI leaders, we have observed both a severe attack by the enemy on the emerging generation and at the same time, the present emphasis in the body of Christ on completing the Great Commission in our lifetime. The children born since the early '70s are a part of a generation which God is raising up to play a very special role in completing the Great Commission of Jesus Christ. This attack is aimed at preventing them from doing so. In order to rise effectively to this challenge, they need to be prepared in an appropriate manner from a young age. We have the special privilege of serving God's purposes for their lives and must not be surprised or overwhelmed by the battles associated with this call. These are no ordinary children. The Lord has chosen them. Just as He delivered and enabled Moses and other young leaders in their day to fulfill their destiny against difficult odds, He will do so today. "Where sin abounds, grace will abound much more" (Rom. 5:20). He will help this emerging generation to fulfill their destiny as we depend on His grace and continue to trust and obey Him day by day.

4. The Importance of the Family

We recognize the strategic role that the family unit has in the formation, equipping and releasing of children, youth, parents and grandparents into God's intended loving purposes for their lives now and in eternity. We also honor the vital role that the family unit has in providing a foundational catalyst for God-honoring Kingdom living and sharing within a community and beyond into the nations. Families who have learned to love, trust and obey God have often been at the center of God's Kingdom advance throughout history.

4.1 The Family Unit and Spiritual Families are Equally Important

They have complementary roles and each lacks something without the other.

For this reason I kneel before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name. Eph. 3:14-15

John 19:26-27, Luke 14:26, 1 Cor. 7:1, 1 Tim. 3:2-5, Acts 2:46-48, Eph. 4:1-6, Mark 3:35

Jesus, Paul and the early church spoke strongly and clearly about the importance of both the family unit and the spiritual family. Too often these biblical statements about these two aspects of family have been taken out of context resulting in believers prioritizing one above the other and being torn between expectations and opportunities brought to them by both expressions of the Kingdom. We believe they are both equally important. Their roles and how we are to be involved with each of them separately and together are vital to God's Kingdom.

4.2 Strengthening Marriages

At the heart of every healthy family is a healthy marriage.

Has not God made you one? You belong to him in body and spirit. And what does God seek? Godly offspring. So be on your guard, and do not break faith with the wife of your youth. Mal. 2:15

Gen. 2:24, Eph.5:28, 1 Peter 1:7, Eph. 5:21-33, Rom. 15:7, 1 Peter 3:7, Eph. 2:10

Just as physical life in a child comes from the union of the father and mother, so, many other aspects in the child's life and family are strongly influenced by the example and actions of the parents, particularly in their relationship with each other. For this reason, we see the strengthening of marriages as a high priority in ministering to and with families.

4.3 Encouraging and Equipping Parents

We are committed to support and equip parents in the challenging adventure of being parents in today's world.

But as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord. Josh. 24:15b

Psalms 127:3-5, Rom.12:10, 2 Cor. 5:19-20, Matt. 18:10

The challenge of parenting today is, humanly speaking, overwhelming for many. Finding ways to equip parents with a wise and effective approach to parenting, ideally protected and upheld by a loving circle of community relationships, is what we purpose to pursue and promote.

4.4 Blessed to be a Blessing

We value the "Blessed to Bless" concept and inheritance of the Christian families.

Seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him? For I have chosen him, that he may command his children and his household after him to keep the way of the LORD by doing righteousness and justice, so that the LORD may bring to Abraham what he has promised him. Gen. 18:18-19

Gen. 12:1-3, Deut. 32:46-47, Gal. 3:29

Family is at the heart of God's plan to bless all peoples in all nations. The Abrahamic covenant, the condition for its fulfillment and the scope of its impact, which continues to this day, declares the importance of parental leadership and the role of the family at large in receiving and passing on God's blessings. This perspective can be in stark contrast to the attitude of entitlement which can influence a family to focus primarily on their own needs. The Abrahamic covenantal promise can be claimed and lived out by families today as they understand and embrace the privilege of being blessed by God in order to be a blessing to Him, their community and peoples beyond.

4.5 Enjoying God's Goodness

As a family we are called to enjoy God's goodness in all aspects of family life.

Taste and see that the LORD is good. Oh, the joys of those who take refuge in him! Psalm 34:8

Psalm 8:31, Psalm 63:5, 1 Cor. 10:31

Family should be a place of fun and enjoyment of each other, not just discipleship, discipline and spiritual activities. Actually, all of life is spiritual. A healthy spiritual family dynamic will be able to develop only on the foundation of healthy relational dynamics, which is built by playing games, laughing, eating, sharing, doing sports, watching movies, doing arts, visiting a museum, walking in nature... Celebrating life in a fun and enjoyable atmosphere, building memories and doing our best to develop a heart-to-heart connection between each family member, starting with the marriage, should be a very important goal. All the rest will flow out of it. And if we don't have it as a foundation, all the rest may just be good behavior, but that won't be deeply rooted.

4.6 The Bible at the Center

The Bible, the word of God, should be at the heart of family life.

You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. Deut. 6:5-7

Psalm 78:3-8, Psalm 119:11, Jer. 15:16, 2 Tim. 3:14-15

The Bible should be at the heart of our family life. Reading it, explaining it, studying it, meditating it, memorizing it, should be part of our daily family routine, not as a long and boring time the kids have to endure, but in creative and fresh ways, passing on not only head knowledge, but passion and a deep respect for the written Word of our Heavenly Father.

4.7 Single Parents

Our commitment is to stand with and support single parents.

Father of the fatherless and protector of widows is God in his holy habitation. Psalm 68:5

Isa. 54:4-6

God Himself has promised to be a father to the fatherless and a husband to the husbandless. We are committed to walking with and being supportive of single parents, whom we honor as 'Parents with

Promise'. We note Mary's success in raising her sons and daughters, including Jesus and his brother James, who became the head elder in Jerusalem. What is often overlooked is that she seems to have achieved this without the help of her husband Joseph in the latter part of her marriage, as he is not mentioned again after Jesus' appearance in the temple at twelve years of age. This along with many other examples of single mothers and fathers who effectively led their families and raised children who became persons of significant influence throughout history, inspires us to believe in, welcome and partner with families who are led by 'Parents with Promise'.

4.8 Family Team Building

We are committed to help each family unit to become a strong team.

Like arrows in the hands of warriors so are sons born in one's youth. Psalm 127:4

Gen. 6:17-22

Just as warring archers understand the importance of arrows and learn to effectively utilize them in battle, parents need to recognize how essential their children are in participating with them in discovering and pursuing God's purposes for their family. It is important for parents to learn how to nurture teamwork in their family, where each person, regardless of age, is welcomed and encouraged to participate as honored, greatly valued team members. The discovery of each person's gifting and role on the family team, as well as the development of effective teamwork, are vital aspects in fulfilling the purpose and potential of a family. This takes time and practice, which can vary in length and style according to the ages, size, background, context and vision of each family.

4.9 Families Ministering Together

We are committed to help families to step out in faith with God and others, learning how to minister together.

But I will establish my covenant with you, and you will enter the ark —you and your sons and your wife and your sons' wives with you. Gen.6:18

Gen. 1:28, Acts 1:14

This can be an exciting adventure that involves strengthening, encouraging and inviting families to step out as a family team in faith with our Father and others. To take steps of faith together beyond what may be familiar or comfortable, in order to make Jesus and His Kingdom known to others, gives the participating family not only the opportunity to bring Joy to the heart of God and blessing to others, but it can also become an occasion to grow in their knowledge of and relationship with God, while learning to love, trust and obey Him in greater measure.

4.10 Open and Extended Family Concept (Open House)

We encourage families to have open houses, welcoming people into their homes and families.

She said to her husband, "I know that this man who often comes our way is a holy man of God. Let's make a small room on the roof and put in it a bed and a table, a chair and a lamp for him. Then he can stay there whenever he comes to us." 2 Kings 4:9-10

Psalm 68:5-6, Heb.13:2, 1 Peter 4:9

It is important to strengthen and encourage family units so that they are able to open their home hospitably as a family team for others to join them. This should happen temporarily and in some cases on a longer-term basis. Hospitality is becoming for many the new missions frontier with the growing number of displaced immigrating people. When hosting other believers this can also prove to be a blessing not only to those welcomed into their home but also for the host family. Often the needs of family are greater than can be met by the family themselves. Becoming an open family makes it possible for others in their spiritual family to contribute meaningfully to their development, release and fruitfulness.

4.11 Role of Single People

We acknowledge the important role and contribution of singles in both family units and spiritual families and their need to belong.

God sets the lonely in families, he leads out the prisoners with singing; but the rebellious live in a sun-scorched land. Psalm 68:6

1 Cor. 7:7

It is clear that throughout the Bible many persons who were key to serving God's purposes for their time were single, including Jesus. While encouraging the strengthening and involvement of families we must be strongly intentional in honoring and supporting the person and vital role of single people, without whom we will miss what God has intended. In turn it is God's desire that every single person belong and find fulfilling relationships within the family where God places them. This is true whether in relating to a family unit, spiritual family or, hopefully, both.

4.12 Contending for Families

We are committed to contend practically and in prayer for the value of the family.

Can the prey be taken from the mighty, or the captives of a tyrant be rescued? For thus says the LORD: "Even the captives of the mighty shall be taken, and the prey of the tyrant be rescued, for I will contend with those who contend with you, and I will save your children." Isa 49:24-25

Heb. 11:23, Matt. 2:13-15, Phil. 1:28, Rev. 12:10, Mal. 2:14-15, Acts 11:14, Job 1:5,

It is important to understand the commitment, principles and dynamics of effectively taking a stand against the spiritual enemy with contending faith, prayer and action. We must learn to recognize the enemy's lies and destructive devices. We have the opportunity to bring families through the discouraging, hurtful complications they face into renewed hope, and God-imparted grace, courage and overcoming strength.

5. Linking the Generations

We deeply value and promote the linking of generations through the nurturing of intergenerational relationships in both the family unit and the spiritual family and in all of life. We recognize that relationships between the generations are so important that they literally make the difference between a nation being cursed or blessed. This linkage between the generations strongly determines the degree to which God is glorified and how effectively He and His Kingdom can be known throughout all people groups and nations.

See, I will send the prophet Elijah to you before that great and dreadful day of the Lord comes. He will turn the hearts of the parents to their children, and the hearts of the children to their parents; or else I will come and strike the land with total destruction. Malachi 4:5-6

In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy. Acts 2:17-18

Deut. 4:9-10, Luke 1:17

5.1 The Arrow Principle

Like an arrow flies better with point, shaft and feathers, so we work better together when we link the generations.

He established a decree in Jacob, and established the Law in Israel, that he commanded our ancestors to reveal to their children in order that the next generation—children yet to be born—will know them and in turn teach them to their children. Psalm 78:5-6

Acts 2:17, Ex. 3:15

We recognize the unique and valuable contribution of each generation. It is important that they learn to share their strengths and life perspectives with each other, as they partner together with their heavenly Father in fulfilling His purposes. The outpouring of God's Spirit is for all generations, and the extension of His Kingdom is enhanced as they link together.

5.2 The Double Portion

We believe that the next generation could be more effective in the kingdom than we are.

Truly, I tell all of you with certainty, the one who believes in me will also do what I am doing. He will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. John 14:12

2 Kings 2:9

We seek to pass on a knowledge of God, His Word and what it means to love, trust and obey Him in everyday life from generation to generation, so that His presence, kingdom and blessing can be multiplied in them and through them to succeeding generations.

5.3 Leadership Development

Leadership development is best served when the generations are linked.

As for you, my child, be strong by the grace that is in the Messiah Jesus. What you have heard from me through many witnesses entrust to faithful people who will be able to teach others as well. 2 Tim. 2:1-2

The example of Paul and Timothy illustrates that the development of effective, sustainable leadership can be served through an intergenerational process of equipping, release and relational support. This involves the older persons honoring, encouraging and supporting the younger person in their faith, gifting and calling. It also requires commitment and teachability on the part of the younger person. Both need to open

their hearts to the other generation, accessing God's grace, wisdom and patience to walk out the process in his way and his timing.

5.4 Family Units

Family units can be excellent examples of linking the generations.

Pay attention! I'm sending Elijah the prophet to you before the great and dreadful Day of the LORD comes, and he will turn the hearts of fathers to children, and the hearts of children to their fathers. Otherwise, I'll come, strike the land, and utterly destroy it. Mal. 4:5-6

Ex. 3:15, 2 Tim. 1:5

The linking of generations can most naturally be experienced in a family unit among the children, parents and grandparents. This can provide an example and momentum for the linking of generations in the broader spiritual family to which they are connected.

5.5 Spiritual Parenting

We believe in the value of spiritual mothers and fathers.

You may have 10,000 mentors who work for the Messiah, but not many fathers. For in the Messiah Jesus I became your father through the gospel. So I urge you to imitate me. 1 Cor. 4:15-16

Just as parents have a leading role in the development and release of children in the family unit, so spiritual fathers and mothers play an important role in the spiritual family. This is becoming increasingly critical in light of the growing number of broken and fatherless family units in our time. Encouraging and equipping spiritual fathers and mothers in our midst must be a high priority.

5.6 Local Church

The role of the gathered church community is key in promoting and facilitating the linking of generations.

On the first day of the seventh month, the people came together in the open area in front of the Water Gate. Then they asked Ezra, who was a teacher of the Law of Moses, to read to them from this Law that the LORD had given his people. Ezra the priest came with the Law and stood before the crowd of men, women, and the children who were old enough to understand. Neh. 8:1

Josh. 4:3-6

For churches wanting to help their members live and share God's Kingdom in their daily lives, and to understand and implement biblically based principles for linking generations in their various activities, is important for the well-being and fruitfulness of the spiritual and the family unit. Setting an example of how the various age groups can relate meaningfully with each other, as well as serve God and man together, can have a strong kingdom-building impact upon church, community at large and beyond.

6. Nurturing Community

We value the nurturing of Kingdom community life in its various expressions. These are communities of Jesus followers who are called by God to be covenantal in their relationships and missional as they reach out. By covenantal we mean learning to love and live wholeheartedly committed to Jesus and one another,

the way Jesus loves and faithfully walks with us, as we are discipled by Him and one another. By missional we mean giving and serving with the Father the way Jesus did – within and beyond the community – in ways that delight God and extend His Kingdom, as we learn together to live and share the Unshakable Kingdom of God.

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved. Acts 2:42-47

Acts 4:32-35

*Please note: KKI recognizes that we are all at different stages in our current involvement with what is community to us. Realizing how important community is now and will be in increasing ways into the future, we encourage everyone to continue from where they are (which may involve as few as two or three people regularly meeting together) and then prayerfully consider how to help their community grow and be further strengthened. The 18 principles listed in this KKI Nurturing Community core value describe important aspects of covenantal missional community life which we hope can be pursued and developed further, as God leads—in His timing and His ways.

**Please read the document “Background for the Development of Value 6 – Nurturing Community” on the KKI website for more background on why and how this value was recognized and developed as an essential aspect of KKI's continuing journey.

6.1 Knowing, Loving and Walking with God

We are called to know, love, trust and obey God in every aspect of our lives, and to daily seek and enjoy His presence, delighting Him as we walk with Him in the things He has on His heart. This is true not only for individuals, families and teams, but also for communities, as part of the KKI Levitical calling.

The One who sent me is with me; He has not left me alone, for I always do what pleases Him. John 8:29

At that time the Lord set apart the tribe of Levi to carry the ark of the covenant of the Lord, to stand before the Lord to minister and to pronounce blessings in His name, as they still do today. That is why the Levites have no share or inheritance among their fellow Israelites; the Lord is their inheritance, as the Lord your God told them. Deut. 10:8-9

John 4:34, John 15:9-11, Acts 2:28

As we desire to know God and bring Him joy, we discover and experience His satisfying joy over our lives! When we learn to be with Him, tune into what is in His heart, and agree with Him in prayer, we can then take steps of faith with Him in order to see His desires fulfilled, as we bring His presence and blessings to those He leads us to.

6.2 Covenantal Relationships

Pursuing loving, committed, healthy relationships with God and one another is essential to community life.

A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another. John 13:34-35

John 15:12-13, John 17:20-23, Romans 5:5, 1 John 4:7-8

As we daily grow in our intimate love relationship with God, He enables us to love others in the way He loves us. His love opens the way for us to have deep, loving commitments to each other in our family, friendships and community relationships. Jesus is our prime example of this, as He made a new covenant with us by shedding His blood for us. Sacrificial, unconditional agape love comes from God's heart and is imparted to us by the Holy Spirit. These covenantal relationships are at the heart of living and sharing the Kingdom of God.

6.3 Community Leadership

The community is served by a leadership team that walks in unity, shares responsibilities, lives out and inspires a biblical lifestyle the way Jesus did, and nurtures healthy community life.

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. Acts 2:42-43

Here is a trustworthy saying: Whoever aspires to be an overseer desires a noble task. Now the overseer is to be above reproach...He must also have a good reputation with outsiders, so that he will not fall into disgrace and into the devil's trap. 1 Tim. 3:1-7 (see entire passage)

Titus 1:6-9

Leadership team members should – as they live by grace – lead with loving, humble, servant hearts, live balanced lives, and help others to develop their potential and discover their unique place in God's Kingdom. They should recognize people's spiritual gifts and talents and release them in these areas, as in the body of Christ, "there are many parts, but one body" (1 Cor. 12:20). Leadership team members should fulfill biblical criteria for leadership and be accountable to one another and to the community.

6.4 Biblical Foundations

The community promotes and joyfully lives out biblically-grounded truth, including KKI beliefs, values and principles.

All scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man [or woman] of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work. 2 Tim. 3:16-17

Psalms 1:1-3, Psalm 119:9-11, Psalm 138:2, 1 John 2:14, Col. 3:16

The Bible is the inspired, authoritative Word of God and foundational to community life. God's Word is unchanging, reliable, and relevant in every generation, nation and culture – past, present, and future. The KKI values are derived from Scripture and are key for living and sharing a Kingdom lifestyle.

6.5 Intergenerational

We seek to nurture community that is intentionally intergenerational.

In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. Acts 2:17

The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call. Acts 2:39

Deut. 6:4-9, Mal. 4:5-6, Psalm 78:2-7, Acts 16:33

We deeply value and promote the linking of the generations through the nurturing of intergenerational relationships in the biological family, the community and in all of life. We also recognize the importance of generational transfer and partnership as keys for vibrant community life. The link between the generations strongly determines the degree to which God is glorified and how effectively He and His Kingdom can be known and shared throughout and beyond the community.

6.6 Community Guidelines

The community recognizes the importance of establishing clear, practical guidelines about how to welcome people into the community and how to live a healthy community life.

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

Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity. Col. 3:12-14

Col. 3:15-25 (general relationship principles), 1 Cor. 11:33-34, 1 Tim. 5:3-16 (examples of specific community guidelines)

As there are various practical challenges in community life, each community will need to agree on shared expectations about a whole range of practical details that affect each other and that are relevant to the community. In the Scriptures we find a range of examples of guidelines, often specific for that time, regarding how people were to interact as a community. The question is, what are the negotiable and non-negotiable behaviors in the community? Clarity and transparency are keys to avoiding the tensions of misunderstanding and the crossing of personal and family boundaries. For example, a cross-cultural community may need to look at different forms that parenting and child discipline might take, especially related to group settings. Another example of guidelines to consider is how to welcome people into the community and how they progress from guest to member.

6.7 Regular Worship and Prayer

The community gathers regularly for thanksgiving, praise, worship, prayer and intercession.

Again, truly I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything they ask for, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them. Matt. 18:19-20

Instead, be filled with the Spirit, speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Eph. 5:18b-20

The trumpeters and musicians joined in unison to give praise and thanks to the Lord. Accompanied by trumpets, cymbals and other instruments, the singers raised their voices in praise to the Lord and sang: "He is good; His love endures forever." Then the temple of the Lord was filled with the cloud, and the priests could not perform their service because of the cloud, for the glory of the Lord filled the temple of God. 2 Chron. 5:13-14

2 Chron. 20:21-22, Acts 2:46-47, Acts 4:31

Regular worship and prayer is vital to experiencing the presence of God in our community life. As a community, our knowledge and experience of God is deepened as we worship and pray together.

6.8 Joyful Celebrations

The community gathers regularly for fellowship, celebrations, fun and creative expression, raising the joy level!

There, in the presence of the Lord your God, you and your families shall eat and shall rejoice in everything you have put your hand to, because the Lord your God has blessed you. Deut. 12:7

Ex. 12:14, Ex. 23:14-16, Lev. 23:39-41, 1 Kings 8:65, 2 Chron. 5:13-14, 2 Chron. 30:21, Neh. 8:10, Psalm 150:1-6, Matt. 22:1-10, Luke 15:3-10, Luke 15:22-24

The Bible reveals that God is in favor of fun, fellowship, and celebration! Thus, a healthy community encourages and facilitates regular times to play, enjoy recreation, and celebrate together. Shared meals – including abundant feasts – are vital to developing deeper fellowship and a sense of family. Making room for fun and creative expression as we gather helps bring a sense of joyful celebration!

6.9 Kingdom Living In and Through the Home

Community life starts in and overflows from our homes, which are the centers where Kingdom living with our family and others is enjoyed and shared, and covenant relationships are pursued and deepened.

Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved. Acts 2:46:47

Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a participation in the blood of Christ? And is not the bread that we break a participation in the body of Christ? Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, are one body, for we all share the one loaf. 2 Cor. 10:16-17

Deut. 6:4-9, John 15:12-13, Rom. 16:5a, 1 Cor. 11:23-29

While the whole community gathers regularly for worship, teaching, prayer and celebrations, living out the Kingdom lifestyle together with others begins first in the home--within a family and then beyond, as others are invited in. The heart of community life happens as people gather in homes to eat together, enjoy one another, respond to Jesus together, and deepen their covenantal commitments to Jesus and one another through their fellowship and by regularly celebrating communion together. It is also in the home that the foundational role of families and the involvement of all ages--including young children--is best lived out and

enjoyed. As both whole community and home-based gatherings are carried out, there is a wonderful balance of living life in Jesus that can overflow in Kingdom-extending ways!

6.10 Marriage/Family/Singles

The community supports and nourishes marriages and families, while equally honoring, receiving from and sharing life with those who are single.

“Haven’t you read,” he replied, “that at the beginning the Creator ‘made them male and female’, and said, ‘For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh’? So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.” Matt. 19:4-6

Gen. 12:1-3, Gen. 18:17-19, Deut. 6:1-2, 6-7, Psalm 68:6a, Mal. 2:14-16, 1 Cor. 7:32-35, Heb. 13:4

God intends individuals, married couples and families to have vital roles in living and sharing the Kingdom. Therefore, the community strengthens, protects and supports them at their different stages of development and promotes sharing life between them, as they bless each other with their unique gifts and anointings.

6.11 Member Responsibility

Members of the community take personal responsibility for their own lives and resources, recognizing that healthy personal lives promote and support healthy community life.

For you yourselves know how you ought to follow our example. We were not idle when we were with you, nor did we eat anyone’s food without paying for it. On the contrary, we worked night and day, laboring and toiling so that we would not be a burden to any of you. We did this, not because we do not have the right to such help, but in order to offer ourselves as a model for you to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this rule: “The one who is unwilling to work shall not eat.” We hear that some among you are idle and disruptive. They are not busy; they are busybodies. Such people we command and urge in the Lord Jesus Christ to settle down and earn the food they eat. 2 Thes. 3:7-12

You yourselves know that these hands of mine have supplied my own needs and the needs of my companions. In everything I did, I showed you that by this kind of hard work we must help the weak, remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: ‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’ Acts 20:34-35

This principle refers to responsibility in all areas of life; thus, there are numerous verses.

Deut. 28:1-14, Prov. 6:6-11, Acts 18:1-4, Rom. 12:1, Rom. 14:10,12, 1 Cor. 3:8, 1 Cor 6:19-20, 2 Cor. 9:6, Gal. 6:5, Col. 3:23-24, 2 Thess. 3:7-12, 1 Tim. 5:8

The community is only as strong as the commitment of each person to take responsibility for their own life, while also understanding their contribution and commitment to the community.

6.12 Generosity

Community members care for and bless one another through generosity—sharing time, talents, possessions and finances—so that all needs are met.

All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. Acts 2:44-45

Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. 1 Tim. 6:18

Deut. 15:7-11 Psalm 112:5, Prov. 11:24-25, 2 Cor. 9:6-15, 1 Tim. 5:16, 1 Peter 4:10

Generosity flows from the heart of God and is an essential part of living and sharing the Kingdom. Community members not only provide for themselves, but are also attentive to the needs of others. We want to be generous in our time, finances and care, as we understand that we are blessed to be a blessing.

6.13 Learning and Training for Life

The community understands the value that each person—including its children and young people, growing through all of their ages and stages of development—will learn and develop best in the context of committed, long-term relationships.

Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Deut. 6:5-7

Gen. 18:18-19, Psalm 78:2-8, Prov. 22:6

The community can offer relationship-based discipleship and apprenticeship opportunities, as well as encourage children and young people to grow by embracing age-appropriate responsibilities. The whole community can help carry out the holistic formation and discipleship of its children, which will include the development of their spiritual lives, intellects, character, skills, emotions, bodies, social abilities and creativity.

6.14 Hospitality

Offering hospitality to others, both within and beyond the community, is a high value of community life.

Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality. Rom. 12:13

Lev. 19:33-34, Matt. 25:34-36, Luke 14:12-14, 1 Tim. 5:9-10, Titus, 1:7-8, Heb. 13:2, 1 Peter 4:9

Hospitality is a high priority in living and sharing the Kingdom of God. Loving others the way He loves us is reflected in and through authentic hospitality. The presence of God comes as we open our hearts, lives and homes, making hospitality an important part of our testimony.

6.15 Stewardship and Sustainability

The community responsibly cares for the environment, manages its resources well, and works towards becoming as practically self-sustaining as possible.

The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it. Gen. 2:15

Go to the ant, you sluggard; consider its ways and be wise! It has no commander, no overseer or ruler, yet it stores its provisions in summer and gathers its food at harvest. Prov. 6:6-8

You yourselves know that these hands of mine have supplied my own needs and the needs of my companions. In everything I did, I showed you that by this kind of hard work we must help the weak, remembering the words the Lord Jesus Himself said: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.' Acts 20:34-35

Gen.1:27-30, Prov. 6:6-11, Acts 4:32, 1 Peter 4:10

In light of changing times and the increasing global challenges that are and will be affecting the availability of life-sustaining resources, the community should consider ways to work towards becoming self-sustaining. It should also, out of gratitude to God and a sense of God-honoring responsibility, be wise and diligent in managing and making good use of the resources that God has already blessed it with, including physical assets and people's giftings and talents. Finally, it should recognize that the environment is God's creation and is a gift from Him, and thus care for it thoughtfully and responsibly.

6.16 People with Additional Needs

The community prayerfully and responsibly considers its capacity to welcome into its midst people with additional needs.

Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. Gal. 6:2

Psalms 82:3, Prov. 31:8-9, Isa. 58:6-7, Titus 3:14

The community carefully considers how it can respond compassionately and responsibly to those whose needs may require specialized care. It is important for the community to assess if it has practical resources and human capacity to meet those needs. If the community can't directly meet a person's needs, it should try to help them find care and resources elsewhere.

6.17 Reaching Out

Our communities actively engage in reaching out to others, both locally and beyond.

Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Matt. 28:18-20

After they prayed, the place where they were meeting was shaken. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God boldly. Acts 4:31

He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God. Micah 6:8

Psalms 96:3, Isa. 52:7, Matt. 10:5-8, Matt. 25:34-40, Mark 16:15-18, Luke 4:18-19, Luke 9:1-6, John 5:19, John 20:21-22, Acts 1:8, Acts 13:47, Rom. 10:13-15

We are motivated, as Jesus was, by our love for our Heavenly Father and those He lays on our hearts, and are totally dependent on Him as we reach out. In Him and with Him, we are enabled through the Holy Spirit

to serve, reach and welcome into the Kingdom those He leads us to. This is the overflowing fruit of a missional community.

6.18 Multiplication

The community intentionally multiplies by preparing and sending out those who carry the DNA of the community, with the purpose of multiplying the Kingdom of God.

After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them two by two ahead of Him to every town and place where He was about to go. He told them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into His harvest field. Go! I am sending you out like lambs among wolves." Luke 10:1-3

Now in the church at Antioch there were prophets and teachers: Barnabas, Simeon called Niger, Lucius of Cyrene, Manaen (who had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch) and Saul. While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, "Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them." So after they had fasted and prayed, they placed their hands on them and sent them off. Acts 13:1-3

And this gospel of the Kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come. Matt. 24:14

1 Chron. 16:24, Matt. 10:5-8, Matt. 28:18-20, Mark 6:7-12, Acts 1:8

As community members develop in their relationships with God and one another, and in their capacity to consistently live and share the Kingdom values, they are then able to model and declare the Good News of God's Kingdom beyond their community. Prepared ministry teams that carry the DNA of the Jesus way of living are able to multiply various expressions of community life. They are sent out in the power of the Holy Spirit with confirming signs following.

7. Team Leadership

We value intergenerational teamwork at every level of leadership. We believe it provides wisdom, safety and creativity. We value team leadership that nurtures the leaders' relationship with God and one another through what they model and how they serve. We believe that loving relationships between leaders strongly encourages love and service toward God, one another and beyond. We resolve to make room for and recognize younger emerging leaders, while we continue to honor and relate meaningfully with those who are older, including those who serve in advisory eldership capacities. We believe in healthy leadership transitions as we learn to walk together as intergenerational leadership teams that practice both generational partnering as well as generational transfer.

7.1 Intimacy with God

A leader should seek intimacy with God above all else.

The Lord would speak to Moses face to face, as one speaks to a friend. Then Moses would return to the camp, but his young aide Joshua son of Nun did not leave the tent. Ex. 33:11

Psalms 91:1-2, Ex. 33:14-15

The modeling of our values by those in leadership roles is crucial. A leader should seek intimacy with God above all else, and thus model our Levitical calling at every level of the ministry.

7.2 Godly Character

Leaders place more value on Godly character than on their practical skills.

Therefore, an elder must be blameless, the husband of one wife, stable, sensible, respectable, hospitable to strangers, and teachable. 1Tim. 3:2

Titus 1:6

We lead by example, and a leader's Godly character is even more important than his/her competencies. Leaders are called to demonstrate the fruit of the Holy Spirit in their own lives, as they grow together in becoming more like Jesus. Being and doing should come before teaching others.

7.3 Plurality and Unity

KKI is called to function in team leadership.

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

1 Cor. 12:25, Psalm 133

KKI is called to function in team leadership. We believe that planning and decision making are not to be exercised exclusively by the primary leader in isolation. The corporate wisdom of the leadership team is necessary. We aim to pursue full agreement by the leadership team whenever possible, seeking unity in our understanding of the will of God. We acknowledge the need in a group to have someone taking the responsibility for the final decision, someone who is not controlling but more than convening. We recommend that persons taking that responsibility will take turns. We also seek unity and diversity within our whole team (leaders + staff + participants). We are intentional in involving everyone – from the youngest to the oldest – to listen to God's voice, and offering a space and time for everyone to share his/her impressions, ideas and gifts.

7.4 Servant Leadership

We emphasize humble servant leadership.

Whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be your slave. Just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many. Matt. 20:26-28

John 13:14-17, Luke 17:7-10, Phil:2:3-8

A leader's greatness is measured by how extensively and humbly he/she serves the children, young people and adults for whom he/she is responsible. Servant leadership also desires for others to succeed, and is quick to promote and release others into their full potential. We need to model this value as a way of life to those we work with and to make room for their leadership wherever possible. We want to be intentional in empowering, as much as possible, others to take responsibility and to fulfill their roles in leadership. Hopefully, they in turn will choose to be Christ-like servants in their leadership style.

7.5 Seeking God in Decision Making

Leadership teams are dependent on God when making decisions.

Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" Matt. 4:4

John 10:27, Isa. 55:6, Prov. 3:5-6, John 5:19-20

We are committed to seeking and depending upon the counsel of the Lord. Human reason cannot take the place of divine revelation. Wherever possible, we - together with the children and young people and those with whom we are associated - delight to ask God what He wants us to do. Not only is there wisdom in this method, but we are then able to move in faith, knowing it was God's idea and not just our own. This emphasis is key to following the leading of God in our lives in the potentially demanding times which lie ahead.

7.6 Relationship-Supported Structures

We are only as strong as our relationships with God and with each other.

I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus. It is right for me to feel this way about all of you, since I have you in my heart; for whether I am in chains or defending and confirming the gospel, all of you share in God's grace with me. God can testify how I long for all of you with the affection of Christ Jesus. Phil. 1:3-8

We are a relationally-based movement. We emphasize openness, humility and communication. This is part of the reason why our leadership gatherings are so important. These are key times of connecting and deepening our understanding, love and personal commitment. We are only as strong as our relationships with God and with one another.

7.7 Accountability, Safety and Liability

We are committed to being accountable on all levels, and to keeping people in our care safe.

But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, His son, purifies us from all sin.1 John 1.7

Psalms 91:11-12, Psalm 34:7

True relationships involve responsible accountability. Each person in KKI should understand clearly our leadership infrastructure: whom they answer to and for what, as well as whom they are responsible for. This brings protection from error and freedom to move out, knowing one's actions are understood and supported. Because of the trust given us by church leaders, community leaders and parents to invest in their children, we are committed to the highest standards of safety. In respect for the Lord and in honoring one another, we do the possible and trust God to protect us. Medical and liability insurance, where available, are part of the possible.

7.8 Safeguarding Children

Team leaders will particularly emphasize the safeguarding of the children under our care.

But among you there must not be even a hint of sexual immorality, or of any kind of impurity, or of greed, because these are improper for God's holy people. Nor should there be obscenity, foolish talk or coarse joking, which are out of place, but rather thanksgiving. Eph. 5:3-4

But if anyone causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him to have a large millstone hung around his neck and to be drowned in the depths of the sea. Matt.18:6

1 John 2:10, 1 Peter 5:8

Great wisdom and care should be taken by all KKI leaders, regardless of their age and gender, to avoid personal interaction with a young person or child in ways that could lead to evil or be interpreted by others to be of a questionable nature. It is much better to be extra careful than to be very sorry. Please note that special instruction on this area is a part of KKI training.

7.9 Balanced Leadership Style

Leaders should develop a balance between hard work and play, friendliness and dignity.

Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters. Col. 3:23

Psalms 37:4, Psalm 34:8, Psalm 23:6, Acts 20:28, Gen. 2:2-3. Eph. 2:24-25

Our leaders should be committed to developing a balance between hard work and play. Friendliness and approachability should be balanced with dignity, which warrants respect. A key to maintaining balance is plurality and diversity of leadership, which involves various personalities.

7.10 Leadership Development

KKI is committed to effective leadership preparation, release and recognition.

While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, "Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them." So after they had fasted and prayed, they placed their hands on them and sent them off. Acts 13: 2-3

1Tim. 4:15-16, 1 Tim. 3:10, Eph. 4:11-13, Acts 6:3

For each category of responsibility in KKI there is a corresponding training process. We are committed to doing our part to make sure that each leader is properly trained. We want to be alert to give our leaders opportunities to make progress in pursuing their vision. We pay particular attention to character development above gifting, abilities and expertise. KKI recognizes rather than appoints leadership. Gradual release as opposed to abrupt announcement of appointment is desired. This process should be carefully worked out in cooperation with the appropriate KKI and YWAM leadership.

7.11 Mentoring and Releasing of Emerging Leaders

We are making room for and are recognizing young and emerging leaders to grow into their full potential.

Command and teach these things. Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity. 1 Tim. 4:11-12

2 Tim. 2:2, Mark 3:14, Acts 6:3

We believe that leadership calling and gifting can be recognized and encouraged from a young age. We are committed to working alongside young and emerging leaders to strengthen and equip them as they develop the skills and character necessary to be godly leaders who fully embrace their destiny.

7.12 Intergenerational Team Leadership

KKI is committed to function in leadership teams that include all generations.

Timothy, my fellow worker, greets you, as do Lucius, Jason, and Sosipater, my fellow Jews. Rom. 16:21

Ex. 33:11

We believe in intergenerational partnership at every level of ministry, including in our leadership teams. We are committed to forming leadership teams where people of different ages, including children and youth, can work in synergy by contributing their different gifts and perspectives for a common purpose.

7.13 Effective Leadership Transition

Healthy leadership transition will happen when we walk together as intergenerational teams.

Paul came to Derbe and then to Lystra, where a disciple named Timothy lived, whose mother was Jewish and a believer but whose father was a Greek. The believers at Lystra and Iconium spoke well of him. Paul wanted to take him along on the journey, so he circumcised him because of the Jews who lived in that area, for they all knew that his father was a Greek. Acts 16: 1-3

Acts 12:12

We believe that leadership succession does not begin when one leader leaves, but is best served when leaders of different generations journey together in team. We are committed to forming leadership teams where people of different ages can work in synergy by contributing their different gifts and perspectives for a common purpose.

7.14 Promoting Fresh Vision and Creativity

KKI celebrates leaders who partner with God to do new things in new ways.

See, the former things have taken place, and new things I declare; before they spring into being I announce them to you. Isa. 42:9

Prov. 29:18, Hab. 2: 2-3

Each individual is so unique that he/she warrants personal creative ways to be reached and nurtured. New strategies will always be needed. We encourage innovation and creativity while emphasizing sensitivity to existing programs. New initiatives or modifications to existing efforts should be pursued in cooperation with all appropriate spheres of relationships.

7.15 Godly Counsel

We are committed to godly counsel that is rooted in biblical truth.

I will ask the Father, and He will give you another counselor to be with you forever, the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept Him, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him. But you know Him, for He lives with you and will be in you. John 14:16-17

Prov.15:22, 16:1, 13:20

We acknowledge that everyone associated with KKI is ultimately accountable to God. For this reason, we encourage each person to seek guidance directly from God. Our role as leaders is to give advice on Biblically-related principles and to share our prayer-backed opinion when asked. We must be very careful not to control and manipulate those with whom we are associated. Our role is to serve their development. Children and young people who are encouraged in this way are more apt to continue in their pursuit of God's will in their lives. Respect for the Lord and humility of heart can help guard us from selfish ambition and the exploitation of those who are in our care.

7.16 Decentralized Structures

The KKI movement is held together through common values, a common purpose and relationship networks.

These relationship networks which include and embrace YWAM, local churches, families, and other like-minded organizations working both locally and globally. This frees us to trust and cooperate with each other with limited controls. Decisions are best carried out by those who are closest to the situation or by all those who will be impacted by the decision. Advice needs to be thought after from the most qualified persons. KKI is working to develop regional, national and local teams, each with its own accountability structure. Personal accountability is linked as closely as possible to leaders and associates in the areas in which we live.

7.17 Partnership amongst KKI/YWAM, Local Churches of Different Denominations, Ministries, and Community Services

It is a foundational value of KKI to work in close partnership with churches and other organizations, and to be interdenominational.

Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit-- just as you were called to one hope when you were called – one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. Eph. 4:3-6

Eph.5:21

A strong priority emphasis in the linking of all of the above has been a foundational value and strategy of KKI. The partnering of the church and world mission, brings healthy balance and fruitfulness. When both the in-depth training capability of the family and supportive infrastructure of business associations are added, the combination becomes a dynamic partnership. They are all vital aspects of God's provision to glorify His name and establish His Kingdom on earth. It is important to invest in relationships among the various representatives and to define the responsibility, which each partner agrees to carry in mutual love, humility, grace, and regular communication. KKI is also committed to work interdenominationally with all kinds of churches.

7.18 International Scope

KKI leadership is to be truly international in purpose and identity.

And they sang a new song: "You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased men for God from every tribe and language and people and nation." Rev. 5:9

Gal. 3:28

We exist to serve the purposes of God for the people of all nations. We should not elevate the interests of any language group, culture or nationality above another. Unity and cooperation among different parts of the KKI network makes us an international ministry family. Much effort should be made to strengthen and maintain this emphasis.

8. Reaching Out

The KKI ministry is committed to making Jesus known to all people and extending His Kingdom everywhere. It is a call to everyone, with a desire to see Him worshiped where He isn't and for His rule to shape every part of our lives. We also desire to see the transformation of every sphere of influence in all societies and cultures. Reaching a lost and broken world begins in the heart of God, who "so loved the world that He gave His only Son" to die for us and dwell among us! We desire to fulfill our part in helping to complete the Great Commission, the last thing on earth Jesus commanded us to do, and we are looking forward to welcoming Him back.

8.1 Sharing the Father's Heart

Outreach begins in the presence of God, catching His heart and doing what He tells us to do.

Jesus told them, "Truly, I tell all of you with certainty, the Son can do nothing on His own accord, but only what He sees the Father doing, What the Father does, the Son does likewise. The Father loves the Son and shows Him everything He is doing, and he will show Him even greater actions than these, so that you may be amazed." John 5:19-20

John 3:16, John 15:15-17, Matt 28:18-20

KKI values reaching out that begins in the very heart of God our Father. Our Levitical call entrusts us with our highest priority of knowing Him, loving Him and bringing joy to His heart above all. We treasure spending time in His presence for His sake, tuning into what is in His heart, and seeing from His perspective what He is doing and wants to do. We choose to agree with Him in prayer concerning these matters, and then declare in faith what will be the unfolding of His loving purposes in His timing and way. We then step out with Him in humble, trusting, abiding obedience, depending totally on Him. As we walk this way, we are confident, through His presence and authority, that we can be His effective witnesses, as He leads us and works with us to proclaim and confirm His good news with awesome signs following. We love, serve, and share the good news of His salvation and His "Kingdom come" with all we encounter, as we learn to walk with Our Father the Jesus way.

8.2 Declare and Demonstrate

We are called to publicly declare and demonstrate who God is.

“Give thanks to the LORD; call on His name. Make known His actions among the nations. Proclaim that His name is exalted. Sing praises to the LORD, because He has acted gloriously, being made known in all the world.” Isa 12:4-5

Deut. 10:8, Mark 16:17

God has encouraged the KKI movement, as inter-generational teams, families and missional communities, to publicly declare and demonstrate both who He is as well as what He has done and is doing today. Whether to the unseen spiritual world or to the created world, we pray out and speak out the precious truth of His character and His amazing nature, and we tell of His wonderful acts of love. This declaration is expressed in many different ways including celebration arts (e.g. song and music, drama, dance), media, sports, prophetic statements and demonstrations, testimonies, preaching and through many different acts of service and caring. God also delights to demonstrate who He is, His love and power through miraculous signs and wonders in response to faith-charged prayers in Jesus’ name, as we agree with Him and see the release of His sovereign power through healing and deliverance in the lives of those being ministered to. Learning to be supernaturally natural in Him.

8.3 God’s Presence

We are called to seek and walk in the reality of God’s presence.

At that time the Lord set apart the tribe of Levi to carry the Ark of the Covenant of the Lord, to stand in the Lord's presence, to serve, and to bless his name until this day. Deut. 10:8

Ex. 33:13-18, Acts 1:5, 2.1-4, Matt 3:17

KKI values the person and ministry of the Holy Spirit. The awesome gift of His holy and loving presence among us, as God’s people, is not to be taken lightly or for granted. As Jesus was utterly dependent on walking with the Father in the power of the Holy Spirit, so we too seek to follow His example. We seek to be bearers of this presence so that those with whom we live or reach out to will encounter His transformational and tangible reality for themselves.

8.4 Intercession

We value the importance that intercession plays in our mission of reaching out to others.

So let us keep on coming boldly to the throne of grace, so that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need. Heb 4:16

Rom. 8:27, 34, Hebr. 7:25, 1Tim. 4:4-5, Ezek. 22:30

Listening to the Lord, and discerning His leading, is fundamental and central to how we do mission and engage in reaching out. In the place of worship-led intercession and waiting before the Lord, in what we often refer to as “digging wells and building altars,” our experience is that God speaks to us and shares His heart with us. Often he sends us out to pray and worship in key places of our towns and cities. He also leads us to send intercession teams to nations beyond our own. What a privilege and joy to create with God and to see what He does as we pray and do our part!

8.5 Faith and Character Growth

Reaching out to others provides real opportunities for faith and character formation.

*For it is: "Do this and do that, do this and do that, line upon line, line upon line, a little here, a little there."
Isa. 28:10*

Prov. 22:6, 1Tim. 4:7-8

Whether the reaching out in evangelism and mission is local or global, KKI values and recognizes the incredible formation opportunity these experiences can provide for children, youth and adults. This formation can include spiritual, character, educational and emotional formation, as well as learning new skills. Mission is a missing ingredient in so much discipleship today.

Trained leaders will understand the importance of and build in regular opportunities for reflection, debrief and processing before, during and after these outreach times. Mentoring and coaching are key. We do not underestimate the benefits, both educationally and socially, these experiences can provide.

8.6 Safety and Preparation

KKI values thorough preparation, good practice and safeguarding at every level of planning and implementation of outreach and mission

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and discipline. Pro. 1:7

2 Tim. 3:16-17, Heb. 4:12, Psalm 19:7-11, Psalm 119:105, Matt. 7:24

We are committed to the highest values and standards as we pray, plan and prepare for local or global outreach and mission. This will cover areas such as training of leaders, safe recruitment, safe-guarding training, child protection policies and practice, risk assessments, medical health and travel insurance, and liability insurance. Materials and resources are prepared in advance to train participants in spiritual disciplines, and cross-cultural awareness, as well as physical fitness. Appropriate debrief time and materials play a key part in every healthy outreach experience.

8.7 Mobilizing

We are called to mobilize all ages into mission, both local and global.

After this, the Lord appointed seventy other disciples and was about to send them ahead of Him in pairs to every town and place that He intended to go. So He instructed them, "The harvest is vast, but the workers are few. So ask the Lord of the harvest to send workers out into His harvest. Get going! See, I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. Don't carry a wallet, a traveling bag, or sandals, and don't greet anyone on the way." Luke 10:1-4

Gen. 12:2-3, Josh.1:10-11

The KKI movement has experienced God sharing His heart with us to touch our own local neighborhoods. He has also asked us to embark many times on adventures of trusting him to travel to nations far beyond our own. We are so aware of an ever-increasing danger factor in these mission assignments in the world we are living in. We have always been acutely aware, in the fear of the Lord, about taking minors and families into potentially dangerous situations. We need to operate in wisdom and discernment as to who we accept on these teams and what is appropriate. It is good wisdom for persons to start in local camps and 'missions' experiences and then grow in steps into the international context. There are times too when the

Spirit allows us to take first timers abroad with us. Other ministries have emerged like NIKO that have been so helpful in this.

8.8 Strategic Partnering

We value partnering with other Christian ministries in order to more effectively reach out

Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor. If they stumble, the first will lift up his friend—but woe to anyone who is alone when he falls and there is no one to help him get up. Again, if two lie close together, they will keep warm, but how can only one stay warm? If someone attacks one of them, the two of them together will resist. Furthermore, the tri-braided (threefold) cord is not soon broken. Ecc. 4:9-12

Luke 10:1, Eph. 4:1, Acts 13:2-3

We understand the value of partnering with other Christian ministries as well as with strategic events or initiatives. As a movement these have included Target World outreaches, regional Gateway events and seasonal area outreaches at Christmas and Easter. These larger gatherings can galvanize and focus the efforts from across our cities and many nations, as well as bring the talents and economic benefits from working together. As we partner with local churches or YWAM/KKI locations, we can intentionally look to plant new ministry expressions and multiply sustainable ministry into the new locations. We can also partner with other ministries and organizations as we carry out local ministry.

8.9 End Bible Poverty

We are committed to the goal of every person in the world having access to God's Word and understanding it.

All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good action. 2 Tim. 3:16-17

Psalms 119:9, Matt. 4:4, Rom. 10:17

KKI is committed to doing whatever it takes, and in partnerships with many others—including those ministries that work towards ending Bible poverty—to make the word of God available to everyone and to see them engaging with God's Word in a life-transforming, frequent, regular and ongoing manner.

8.10 Mercy Ministries

KKI is called to share in God's caring and merciful heart for the poor, disadvantaged and marginalized people of the world.

He has made it clear to you, mortal man, what is good and what the Lord is requiring from you—to act with justice, to treasure the Lord's gracious love, and to walk humbly in the company of your God. Micah 6:8

Isa. 58:6-7, Psalm 145:8-9, Prov. 19:7, Prov. 21:13, Isa. 1:17

From the start of the KKI movement Jesus has asked us to invest time, effort, resources and genuine compassion into the lives of abandoned and neglected children, and the lonely, sick, elderly, imprisoned, poor, neglected and forgotten. Our motivation is to do so as if we were doing it to Jesus Himself. His

Kingdom of peace and justice means we love, pray and act for the well-being of people at every level of life, seeking to “love mercy, act justly and walk humbly with the Lord.”

8.11 The Whole Gospel

We are committed to share the whole gospel of God's love, sin and repentance and the saving grace in Jesus.

Yet the time is coming, and is now here, when true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth. Indeed, the Father is looking for people like that to worship Him. John 4:23

Mark 16:15, Rom. 10:9-15, John 16:8-11, John 15:18 -21, Acts 4:12+31

We are committed to living out and sharing the true gospel. When people understand the true gospel, it has the power to bring people to salvation. This understanding brings godly repentance. It is good news indeed that God saves lost sinners, separated from Him, and adopts them into His family! The bad news is that sin has eternal consequences, so we urge people everywhere into His saving grace.

8.12 Reaching into the Spheres

We want to raise world-changing young people and families to disciple nations through involvement in the spheres of society.

“You are the salt of the world. But if the salt should lose its taste, how can it be made salty again? It's good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled on by people. You are the light of the world. A city located on a hill can't be hidden. People don't light a lamp and put it under a basket but on a lamp stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before people in such a way that they will see your good actions and glorify your Father in heaven.” Matt. 5:13-16

Matt. 28:18-20

KKI is committed to raising up world-changing young people and families who will disciple nations at every level of their society and a culture—Religion, Government and Law, Arts and Entertainment, Education, Business, Media and Family. Short term mission trips and experiences can lead to long-term vocational callings.

8.13 Missional Communities

We value lifestyle evangelism that flows out of the quality of our shared lives

They were praising God and enjoying the good will of all the people. Every day the Lord was adding to their number those who were being saved. Acts 2:47

Matt. 24:14, Acts 4:32-37, John 17:20-23

KKI values evangelism that is a natural, daily overflow of knowing Jesus. We love to use the phrase “generations living the Kingdom of God together”. It's a privilege and joy to tell others about Jesus and to show His love by the way we live. Our homes and wider inter-generational missional community expressions that we are committed to become vital hubs to welcome in as well as reach out to others. We recognize the strength of the children among us who love to play and are natural bringers of joy. These little ones are so key to reach the world for Jesus. We believe in evangelism that raises the joy level.

8.14 “Best of Times and Worst of Times”

KKI is preparing for Spiritual Awakening, fully aware of the increased opposition to the Kingdom of God.

“In the last days”, God says, “I will pour out My Spirit on everyone. Your sons and your daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, and your old men will dream dreams.” Acts 2:17

Matt. 24:12-14, Joel 2:28, Hab. 2:14, Luke 10:3, John 15:18-23

God is calling KKI to be prepared to enter into and participate in His promised global spiritual awakening. He is also equipping the KKI global ministry family to stand firm in faith, and to learn to patiently endure, no matter the circumstances we might face or the cost. We believe increasing opposition will take place alongside a massive harvest of people from every nation. By God’s grace we can be prepared, and with His strength we can be overcomers. We recognize spiritual stirrings which have already begun and the persecution of many Christians today, making these issues not only matters of the future but a growing present reality.

8.15 Completing the Great Commission

KKI is committed to equip and mobilize children, youth and families to complete the Great Commission.

Then Jesus came up and told them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Therefore, as you go, disciple people in all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to obey everything that I’ve commanded you. And remember, I am with you each and every day until the end of the age.” Matt. 28:18-20

Matt. 24:12-14, Acts 1:8, Luke 10:2, Rev. 22:17-21

At the heart of KKI is the commitment to obey the last command of Jesus to go and preach the gospel to every creature and to disciple every nation. Every activity or initiative associated with KKI should embrace this purpose in some direct or indirect way. Our intercession is part of this mobilizing effort, as we are asking the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into his ripened harvest field and to see children, youth and families, across the generations, reaching every person in every nation. It’s a call to pray and to go! Our heart’s cry as we hasten the coming of our Lord Jesus is “Even so come Lord Jesus.” “Maranatha.”