

Dear Friends,

For some time, there has been a reminder in our weekly news update regarding a Missional Discovery Weekend. After some discussions with leadership and Ron Harmon, we have decided to have a one day event on October 13th at Phoenix Central. We will begin at 10 am and conclude at 4:30.

**This email is an invitation to you, and people in your congregation to come and share in this one day conversation to explore practices and learn about Discover and Live Your Future. What is that you ask?**

Discover and Live Your Future is a journey of exploring, experimenting, and living into our identity and calling as communities of Christ in a changing world. Doctrine and Covenants 163:1 invites us to discover and embrace the full meaning and transformative power of invitational and loving community as pathway to the future. This vision is not about a particular form of church but a quality of being together that is life giving, sustainable, and missional.

The Mission Prayer invites us to discover and live our future by discovering a rhythm or way of life that helps us integrate spiritual formation and mission into all aspects of our individual and community experience.

Three simple words invite us to “spiritual and relational transformation”:[1]

- Awaken to the movement of God in us, among us, and ahead of us.
- Risk new questions, conversations, relationships, and new forms of community.
- Bless others as we receive and share God’s love and peace.

This rhythm or way of life is not linear but deeply interconnected. Together these dimensions of Spirit-led living lead us to become practicing communities of Christ’s love and peace in our neighborhoods, towns, cities, and world.

**We hope that each congregation will have several people attend this day of conversation and learning. Decisions about how we will move forward with this process in our mission center will be discussed as part of our day together. Ron Harmon, Field Apostle, Bill McFarlin, Field Support Minister and Shandra Newcom, Mission Center President for the Rockies Mission Center will be with us to facilitate the day.**

**You are invited to come and explore how we can live into God’s unfolding future together. Invite others from your congregation to come for the day so that you experience and share the practices and rhythms of Discover and Live Your Future.**

**If you have any questions, please contact me and I’d be happy to discuss what to expect. Continued blessings.**

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[1] Doctrine and Covenants 164:9b

In Gratitude,

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