

Community of Christ

CORE VALUES FOR MISSIONARY MINISTRIES IN THE SOUTH CENTRAL STATES MISSION CENTER

Safety

- Missionary activities are planned and conducted as invitational events with the best interests of guests in mind.
- The spiritual, emotional, and physical well-being of guests is always of paramount importance.
- Subject matter, activities, accommodations, and staff are safe and appropriate in view of the ages, needs, and interests of guests.
- Missionary ministries comply with all applicable laws and world church policies and procedures.
- Missionary priorities and available witnessing resources are aligned.

Blessing

- Missionary ministries provide participants opportunities to have life-changing experiences, and to form life-long relationships, with God and Christ.
- Participants are strengthened in their faith in Christ, spiritual growth, Christian lifestyle, and participation in their local congregations.
- Participants are encouraged to respond to the invitation to become disciples of Jesus Christ.
- Participants gain knowledge of the church and are given opportunities to become part of the family of God through baptism.
- Missionary ministries are inclusive, affirm the worth of all people, and promote peace and justice.
- Participants are personally invited to be actively involved in the life and ministry of the church.

Mission

- Missionary ministries inspire disciples to develop and share a vibrant personal testimony of Christ with others.
- Disciples and congregations are empowered to help people come to faith in Christ, experience spiritual growth, live a Christian way of life, and participate in their local congregations.
- Disciples and congregations are challenged enthusiastically to invite and nurture people as disciples of Jesus Christ.
- Missionary disciples, missionary elders, and Seventy support congregations in developing missionary ministries and being witnessing communities.
- Missionary ministries help persons discern and carry out their calling as missionary disciples and elders.
- Missionary ministries provide on-going missionary training and support to disciples and congregations, using current, appropriate missionary methods and resources.

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