

Series:	Date: Mar. 26th 2017
Topic: Made for a Mission	Speaker: Tim Agnello

WELCOME

Our speaker this week was Tim Agnello, the C&MA Central Pacific District Missions Mobilizer.

For the ice breaker this week, share your answers to the following question: What is one culture (other than your own) that you are interested in learning more about? Why?

WORSHIP

Start the worship time by encouraging people to share praises for what God has done in their life this past week. Sing worship songs from the Sunday services or select your own.

WORD

- I. Spiritual Objective. At the end of the discussion, members will:
 - A. Discuss that we are all invited to participate in the Mission of God.
 - **B.** Talk about what role you have in the work of mission and in what the C&MA is doing worldwide.

II. The Sermon Synopsis:

Tim Agnello is our districts missions' mobilizer meaning that he helps the different churches in the C&MA Central Pacific District (to which we belong) to be engaged in mission's work. The C&MA takes seriously the work of missions. Our church is called to be the hands and feet of God. God is gathering his people and calling people to Him. Our identity as a C&MA church is to join in and support God's missionary work of calling people out of the darkness.

Tim shared how the C&MA started because the Word of God came to A.B. Simpson to look beyond his fences and Simpson began to minister to Italian immigrants who were arriving in New York in mass. This started a movement that was focused on mission and reaching people who were overlooked by society, and those who have never heard the name of Jesus.

The Text:

¹⁸ Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.¹⁹ 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, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

(Matthew 28:18-20 NIV)

Discussion Questions

III. Tim brought us a great message about what God is doing in the world through missions. What is your understanding of what missions is? What do you think is your role in missions?

IV. The 10/40 Window is an area of the world where Gospel Access is the lowest and the majority of unreached people groups live. What is our role in the 10/40 Window? Praying? Sending? Going? What can we practically do to support the work of the C&MA in this window of opportunity?

V. Tim made the statement that we have a Missionary God who is working to bring all people to Him. As Christians, we are given the privilege to join in what God is doing and work for His Kingdom. What is God doing around you right now in the lives of others? Are you joining in what God is doing? Or are you trying to do things your own way?

VI. The Christian and Missionary Alliance started because A.B. Simpson felt God calling him to minister to the Italian immigrants and the church he was pastoring at the time did not want to associate with them. Who are the people around us that are being overlooked that Leeward is called to? Who are the people that, like A.B. Simpson's church, we would hesitate to have in our church?

VII. Leeward currently sends teams to two different mission fields every year. To Mongolia to teach and encourage pastors and to run activities for children there, and Sacramento, where we partner with a local pastor to minister to Arab refugee children. We are also looking at Mexicali as a third place to send teams. *What is your interest level in going on a mission trip? What country would you be interested in? Will you talk to someone to find out more about short-term missions opportunities?*

WORK

- Pray and thank God for the Good News of the Gospel, that we have the name of Jesus and the power behind that name. Pray for the work of mission in the world; for what God is doing "out there" and for what God is doing right here around you.
- In addition to the above prayer requests, please also pray for our Building Expansion Project (BEP):
 - Permits. 1) Continue praying for our re-application to the Bldg. Dept. for the modification to our (CUP) Conditional Use Permit to be approved with our current plan. 2) Also pray that they will issue our grading permit as soon as the CUP is issued. 3) Finally, pray that we will be able to work with our architect, PVA, to help them complete their drawings to apply for our building construction permit.
 - ✤ <u>A</u>rchitect. Continue praying that our architect will work with our contractor in a design-assist partnership and work with their engineering consultants to provide the drawings that we need to move forward.
 - ✤ Giving, Grants & Guaranteed Loan Commitment. 1) Pray for the continued generous giving of our congregation toward the 3-year pledge and additional gifts as God provides. 2) Pray that God will grant us favor with the foundation that we are approaching for a grant through our grant writer. 3) Pray for wisdom and direction as we continue to seek a loan

commitment to fund part of the construction costs if God is leading us through this source of funding.

Evaluation Meetings. Pray for the follow-up of our BEP Committee meeting this past Saturday to implement the priorities we need to be following as a church as God directs.

<u>Announcements</u>.

- 1. Workday Only (no Car Wash). Sat, 4/8, 9:00am. Come out and help us clean-up and maintain our church in preparation for our Easter Services the following weekend.
- 2. **Good Friday Communion Service.** Fri, 4/14, 7:00pm. Let's take time to remember our Lord's sacrifice of crucifixion on the cross this evening
- 3. **Easter Preparations.** Sat, 4/15, 9:00am. We need help setting up the church with extra chairs and tent, preparing food for the meals.
- 4. **Easter Sunday Services.** Sun, 4/16. Invite your friends and family to join us, "In Memory Of" Easter Sunday, and for the children in "Building Easter" and an Easter Egg Hunt after the 2nd service. Serving breakfast and lunch that day for our guests after both services.
- 5. HOME Group Leaders Meeting. Sun, 4/30, 12:00pm. Save the date!
- 6. **Membership Class.** Sun, 4/30, 12:00pm. Discover what it means to be a member of Leeward Community Church. Open to anyone 16 years and above.
- 7. **Family Camp.** Fri-Mon, 6/9 6/12 at Bellows AFB Camp. Register for the camp for you and your guests in the next 2 weeks to make sure you get a spot for a campsite or condo.