

2nd Site Workgroup

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TCBC's Core Values

1. Transformational biblical teaching that leads to spiritual growth
2. Blending of campus and community
3. Unity in our differences
4. Partnering with other ministries in God's work
5. Developing and sending out

TCBC's Mission

To be a Christ-centered church where community and campus come together to make a difference for God's kingdom throughout the world.

TCBC's Vision

A thriving and influencing church:

- *every person living the abundant life offered in the death & resurrection of Jesus;*
 - *every person engaged in work for God's kingdom in world-changing ways.*
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Pictures of what the 2nd Site Community might look like:

- Tight-knit community, family feeling
 - Not just casual friendship-deeply relational
 - Different from typical relationships, even those found in most churches
 - Attractive to those outside of the church
- Working *together* and *visibly* in surrounding community
- Nothing is watered down. Boldness in preaching, relationships inside & outside church, social engagement, etc.
- Intentional community on more than just Sunday morning
 - Site team members will all expect to spend more time together (on site or off site) than just Sunday morning – Commitment from core families and individuals (launch team) who come to second site to invest their time/energy/relationships to this cause
- Accessibility / Visibility / Hospitality
 - Proximity to non-dorm students, many upperclassmen, grads & internationals

- Closer to where students go/pass through (Lincoln & Michigan is corner of campus; Scott Park, e.g., is near more student life and in direction of places (Marketplace Mall, north Prospect, downtown Champaign) that many students go.
- Having visible “storefront” presence: easily seen, easily entered, welcoming

Within the vision / mission / values of TCBC, what specifically are we hoping to achieve through the launch of this second site?

TOP LEVEL GOALS:

1. ***Outward Focus:*** *to learn, teach and live out a faith in Christ that always points us beyond the confines of our church boundaries to the surrounding context. To go to those we are called to reach, engaging in service, social action, and evangelism.*
2. ***Inward Development and Discipleship:*** *to deepen the church’s reliance on the Lord, to actively engage in discipleship within and through the outreach activities listed above. Increase in the widespread knowledge and use of spiritual gifts, particularly in leadership and service roles. Engage in transformational prayer and worship.*
3. ***Engaging New People:*** *to broaden our reach to unchurched students; to engage emerging adults in the life of the church, ultimately to reach more for Christ. Foster diversity as we are united in our differences, creating a deep sense of community.*

OUTWARD FOCUS

Pursue/live out an outward focused faith that engages in service, social action, and evangelism

- Engage a “new group” of students
- Reaching a different cultural, socioeconomic demographic than currently reaching
- Increasing diversity, while decreasing reliance on anything but Jesus as our grounds for unity
- Having more space available for parachurch use (?) – coffee shop style – location for bible studies, Christian education/classes (UTS?), tutoring, and casual hang-out
- Leverage of social action as a topic that resonates well with unchurched college students

INWARD DEVELOPMENT (DISCIPLESHIP)

- New avenue for spiritual growth through challenging and stretching the current congregation to
 - Trust for resources (financial and people)
 - Long term challenge to persevere in the face of opposition or results that don’t align with the plans of men
- Pursuing well-rounded Christian life
- Generate momentum (Andy Stanley’s principle) by starting something new

- Call up new leaders & servants
 - Radical development in TCBC's worship & prayer life
 - Shock people (wake them up) out of spiritual complacency
 - Increase engagement between community and campus contingents
 - Helping inspire/re-ignite the desire in every community person to engage w/ students
 - Develop & better minister to emerging adult demographic
 - Preserve a blend of campus and community at both locations
 - Continue to present bold counter-cultural gospel
 - Transformation biblical teaching in both preaching & prayer – deeper, more real, active, powerful
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Possible Reading List for those interested, perhaps for 2nd Site WG or eventual launch team...

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