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Ephes. 2:14 For Christ himself has made peace between us Jews and you Gentiles by making us all one people. He has broken down the wall of hostility that used to separate us.

Matthew 16:18 Now I say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and all the powers of hell will not conquer it.

Where We are Going: Our Vision (January 2006)

- 1) The leading resource church for NC innovative churches
- 2) The leading "discipler" of individuals in NC.....
- 3) Corporate experiences are unforgettable.
- 4) The most attractive church to seekers in our region.
- 5) The Church outside the walls.
- 6) A church of excellence for all age group offerings.

What We Are Doing on the Way: Our Philosophy of Ministry (Matt. 22:37-38: 28:19-20)

At Integrity, we believe that a church exists to help the individual reflect five <u>Biblical purposes</u>:

- 1) Connecting to God & other believers
- 2) *Growing* in our knowledge of the Bible & our relationship with Jesus
- 3) Serving others inside the church & outside in the community
- 4) <u>Reaching</u> with the news of God's love, in words & actions, locally, regionally & internationally
- 5) <u>Worshipping</u> God with our words & actions by living out the purposes above

Why We're Traveling: The Integrity Core Values

These values must be the driving force behind all we do. God calls us each

to a lifestyle of....

G race,

... God's grace allows us to have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ... We must forgive. (Matt. 18:21-35)

R elevance,

...While message of the Gospel will never change, the methods and media will change. (Matt. 5:13-16, 1 Cor. 9:19-23; Luke 14:16-23)

A uthenticity.

There is great value in who God created us to be. We must (Eph. 2:10; Ps. 1:1-3; Eph. 5:16-17)

C ommunity.

We are a New Testament church that values a relational culture among its members, and cares for the less fortunate. (Acts 2:42-47, Matt. 18:15-20)

E quipping.

All members are equally important, having spiritual gifts as determined by the Holy Spirit. It is the church's responsibility to equip members themselves to be ministers. (Ephesians 4:7-13; 1 Cor. 12:22)