

*Delmar Avenue Church of Christ - Strategic Directions: 2017*

**Goal # 1: Enhanced spiritual ministries will ensure that members are well prepared for successful service and ready to contribute to the church, their homes, and communities. (Keeping the Saved Saved)**

**Indicator: Participation in the ministries (Share Groups) of the church**

- *Attendance in worship services – Average 150 each service*
- *Support of church ministries (time commitment, financial, etc)*
- *Support of Gospel meetings*
- *Increase in the number of baptisms per year (52)*
- *Increase in retention rate of baptized members – Church will inventory all members who have been baptized and record their current status*

**Goal # 2: Children and adults will enroll in greater numbers in the Bible classes and a larger percentage will exhibit spiritual growth.**

**Indicator: The number of students in all of our Bible schools.**

- *Attendance in Bible School - Average 150 Sunday morning & Wednesday night*
- *Use technology to develop hybrid courses and church wide, continuous Bible study*
- *Add courses directed to address specific issues/concerns, marriage, grief, singles, etc.*

**Goal # 3: The citizens of the region will benefit from increases in church's outreach, service, and partnership initiatives.**

**Indicator: The total number of nonmembers accepting Bible studies & participating in the mentoring program**

- *Number of Bible studies with nonmembers - 52 studies in 2017*
- *Participation in the Mentoring Program of Ruleville – Average attendance at mentoring program – Average 50 per week*

**Goal # 4: To build a state-of-the-art facility to worship, and house youth and adult enrichment programs.**

**Indicator: Construction of new building & plan to pay**

- *Form a building committee*
- *Secure financing for the project*

### Goals for 2017 by Share Group

<b>Music/Audio-Visual Share Group</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Purchase State of the Art Audio System</li> <li>✓ Record Bible Classes</li> <li>✓ Use Projector and Screen during service for scriptures and songs</li> <li>✓ Meet quarterly for congregational song practice</li> <li>✓ Meet at least once per month as a share group</li> </ul>
<b>Evangelism Share Group</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Develop a process to follow up with visitors-train brothers to give visitors card at backdoor</li> <li>✓ Create an active roster of all members'</li> <li>✓ Identify delinquent members and begin outreach to them through visits, e-mails, phone calls and text</li> </ul>
<b>Visitation Share Group</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Visit sick and shut-in</li> <li>✓ Commune sick and shut-in</li> <li>✓ Develop a prison ministry</li> <li>✓ Care packages for military</li> <li>✓ Begin workshop service at nursing facility</li> </ul>
<b>Education Share Group</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Workforce Development Workshops</li> <li>✓ Financial Literacy and Budgeting Workshops</li> <li>✓ Training for Teachers to show how to pull materials and execute plan</li> <li>✓ Innovative ways for attendance in Bible Classes (monthly celebrations, implement Bible Buck Store, Implement Snacks/Meals after Wednesday Night Bible Class)</li> <li>✓ National Mental Health Awareness Day</li> <li>✓ Quarterly Healthcare Sessions (Q &amp; A)</li> <li>✓ Fitness Classes (Walking Trail at hospital then increase to class)</li> </ul>
<b>Family Life and Fellowship Share Group</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Senior Citizens Appreciation-August (2 Day Affair-banquet, activity for the month, fashion show, recognition)</li> <li>✓ Teen Summit-April 2017</li> <li>✓ Graduation/MSYC Celebration-July/August 2017</li> <li>✓ Homecoming-September 2017</li> <li>✓ Church Outing -May 2017 (Main Event in Memphis, Bowling, Laser Tag, Arcade)</li> <li>✓ Men's Retreat-February 2017</li> <li>✓ Explosion Week -July 2017</li> </ul>
<b>Benevolence</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Develop a Resource Guide for those in need</li> <li>✓ Service Projects at Nursing Homes</li> <li>✓ Create baskets of supplies for those in need</li> <li>✓ Coat Drive</li> <li>✓ Donations of goods on as needed basis as families are identified</li> </ul>

