## FARMING CHURCH

## Initiative #1 – Outreach to the Community

Through the Farming Church process, we believe God desires Mt. Hermon to reach out and address the needs of our surrounding community. Our family would like to continue and expand our current outreach programs. Many wonderful potential ideas and opportunities were brought up during our listening groups; however, we recognized that we must first find out what the needs of our community are before we can move forward. Therefore, our first step will be to meet with local community leaders.

Initiative #2 – Renew Ministries of Caring for Our Church Family

Through the Farming Church process, we learned that in order to wholly serve our outside community, we must also take care of the needs within our own church family. We believe God desires Mt. Hermon to renew our internal ministries of caring: visitation, transportation and socialization.

Initiative #3 – Reach out through Music

Through the Farming Church process our congregation emphasized their desire to share God's love through the musical gifts of our music ministry. Therefore, we would like to pursue more opportunities to share the love of Christ through concerts, cantatas and candle-lights.

Initiative #4 – Facilities and Safety

Through the Farming Church process, we believe God desires Mt. Hermon to look for ways to improve and enhance our facilities/property to make them safer and more inviting to all. Therefore we will seek to explore a possible recreation master plan.

Initiative #5 – Spiritual Growth

Through the Farming Church process we also learned that, in order to accomplish all these initiatives, we must be fed spiritually. We believe God desires Mt. Hermon to grow spiritually through studying His Word and sharing His love. Therefore, we will pursue ways to enhance our Christian education programs and offer more Bible studies and other growth opportunities.