

UCF Priorities

The Word

Every believer needs a foundation in the Word to know God, God's will, and his/her purpose.

Fellowship

Every believer needs relationships with others in order to grow and become the man or woman God desires him/her to be. These relationships should be spiritually productive, while at the same time socially satisfying.

Worship

Worship, including prayer, is foundational to the expression of our desire and love to God. Participation in worship breaks down barriers between people, and also between us and God.

Training

Each person must discover his/her gifts, talents, abilities, call, and burden. Training provides opportunities for preparation to fulfill God's will in and through a person's life.

Sending

UCF seeks to build an expectation to be sent and to serve God throughout the USA and the world. Sending is a basic function of the church as individuals discover calls and burdens.

UCF Purposes

To build a body of disciples who are responsive to the Word of God in reaching the unchurched of the Westcott community of Syracuse.

To encourage and train individuals to accept ministry opportunities within and beyond the local church.

To provide opportunities for growth through discipleship classes, bible studies, worship, prayer, bible teaching/preaching, and evangelism.

To bless the Body of Christ through conferences and retreats sponsored by UCF.

To positively impact the community in both word and deed.

To be a sending and planting church.

To reach the Syracuse University community with a relevant message of hope and relationship with Christ.

To provide opportunities for fellowship and relationship building.

UNIVERSITY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Mission, Vision, Values, Priorities, & Purposes

University Christian Fellowship is a neighborhood church, consisting of everyday people, doing everyday things, with a spiritual reality through the Holy Spirit.

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UCF Mission

The mission of University Christian Fellowship (UCF) is to proclaim Christ boldly to a lost and ignored generation, while being a vehicle for dynamic relationship with God and each other.

UCF Vision

UCF will be a place where the unchurched are comfortable but challenged toward relationship with Christ.

UCF will be a place of loving and mature relationships where healing and restoration are commonplace both in and out of meetings.

UCF will be a place where families are restored, marriages are healed, and where the hearts of the children are turned toward their parents.

UCF will be a place of freedom for the captive, and rest for the weary.

UCF will be a place where the unfaithful are encouraged and the faithful are disciplined.

UCF will be a hub for specific ministries to the community, including: youth ministry, computer ministry, ministry to families, ministry to single professionals, ministry to children, and community service projects.

UCF will sponsor retreats, seminars, conferences, and training courses to benefit the Body of Christ and train workers for service in the Kingdom.

UCF Values

We value **the process of knowing God**. We recognize his rule and reign over the earth and our lives. We submit to his will above our own and value his leadership and guidance.

We value **the process of knowing ourselves**. We recognize this can only be accomplished by the interaction and revelation of God in our lives. We seek this understanding through one another, the scriptures, and prayer.

We value **being like Christ**. We ask for the same Spirit who empowered Jesus to live his life to empower us. We want to be like the Savior, who is our example. (Acts 10:38)

We value **the leading of the Holy Spirit**. We want to be a people who mature to the simple understanding of hearing and doing.

We value **the grace of God**. We encourage all to receive freely of a grace that is greater than we think. We endeavor to minister this grace to one another and to a lost world.

We value **people**. We look to provide an atmosphere where individuals from all walks of life will feel comfortable, and to provide ministry to as many people groups as possible while still maintaining effectiveness.

We value **the supernatural**. We have an expectation for the supernatural to become a normal part of our everyday lives. We make ourselves available to God for such purposes to accomplish his will in and through our lives.

We value **worship**. We see worship as a means of ascribing worth to God, thanksgiving, celebration, praise, adoration, communication, and spiritual warfare.

We value **discipleship** as God's means of building the church. We encourage and disciple those who have a relationship with Christ to find a deeper place of commitment and challenge with God.

We value **relationships with both God and man**. We recognize both eternal and temporal relationships, giving priority to those which are eternal but at the same time maintaining those which are temporal. We work to lead unbelievers into relationship with Christ, and lead believers into a more meaningful place with God.

We value **the Body of Christ**. We recognize our place within that body and work to develop individuals locally to find their place with their gifts and callings. We seek to encourage other parts of the body of Christ, recognizing when one member suffers we all suffer, but when the body is strong we all are strong.

We value **communication with God and each other**. We seek to build lines of wholesome and meaningful dialog which produces more stable and merciful relationships.

We value **being real**. We choose not to be fake or anything we are not. We choose instead to present ourselves honestly to God, each other, and those we meet. We seek to be people pursuing God in a way others can understand and be comfortable with.

We value **faithfulness**. We commit to one another and to God in relationships of honesty, integrity, and service. We expect accountability inside and outside the local church.

We value **oneness**. We recognize a difference between oneness and sameness. While we desire to function as one, we accept our diversity and find joy in it.