

Made for Mission: Made to Grow

1 Thessalonians 2: 13-16

“When you received the word of God ... you accepted it not as a human word, but as it actually is, the word of God.” 1 Thessalonians 2: 13

Mission means Growing.

1 The Word Received and Planted in our Hearts

“Our mission is to GIVE ourselves to God in whole-hearted worship.” *KUC*

- Be careful what you plant in your heart!
- The power of listening and receiving the word of God.

2 The Word Believed and Growing in our Living

“Our mission is to GROW in our knowledge of Christ and in our love for one another” *KUC*

- Developing the conditions for growth

“Discipline leads us to desire, which matures into delight.”

- Practicing the word in relationships

"To know the will of God, we need an open Bible and an open map."

William Carey, pioneer missionary to India

3 The Word Conceived and Growing to be like Jesus

“Our mission is to GO by the power of the Holy Spirit as we bless the church and bring hope to the world.” *KUC*

- Imitation of God’s Churches who suffer persecution
- Imitation of God’s missionaries who are rejected
- Imitation of the Lord Jesus in His death

"Never pity missionaries; envy them. They are where the real action is — where life and death, sin and grace, Heaven and Hell converge." — Robert C. Shannon