

New Season, New Wine, New Wineskin

¹⁶ *“No one sews a patch of unshrunk cloth on an old garment, for the patch will pull away from the garment, making the tear worse. ¹⁷Neither do men pour new wine into old wineskins. If they do, the skins will burst, the wine will run out and the wineskins will be ruined. No, they pour new wine into new wineskins, and both are preserved.”* (Matthew 9:16-17, NIV)

Introduction

Hope Chapel Honolulu’s mission statement is to “Go and make disciples of the people of Honolulu, the Pacific, Asia, and beyond through prayer and meaningful relationships based upon the Person and Message of Jesus Christ.” What does that mean to each of us? As we prepare to move to a new location in a few months, we will be entering into a new season in the life of our church. In anticipation of God’s plans for us, how are we intentionally responding to the Great Commission?

1. New Season (Isaiah 56:8)

- a) His powerful Word for our church!
- b) Prayer and meaningful relationships based on the Person and Message of Jesus Christ

2. New Wine (John 20:21)

- a) A new field of harvest
- b) Opportunities for discipleship

3. New Wineskin (Isaiah 41:8-10)

- a) We trust Him to build our circle of influence
- b) We trust Him for our disciples

Conclusion

Why does Jesus command us to go and make disciples? What does it mean to you when He says go and make disciples of all nations? Jesus has called each of us to help fulfill the Great Commission in our lifetime. We are still here on this earth for this reason. Our work is not finished yet. Let’s continue to prayerfully seek Him for our part in this command and see who He brings or has already brought into our midst.

For our prayerful discovery, discussion and application:

1. Read Matthew 9:16-17. What does it mean to you in regards to the church or your own personal life?
2. Who has God already brought into your midst? Who are the people in your circle of influence?