# THE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP CHURCHES WORLDWIDE

In 1970 Wayman Mitchell went to the small town of Prescott, Arizona. From here, a spiritual fire was launched that is spanning the globe.

In a few short years, hundreds of churches have been planted; and crusades and conferences are touching tens of thousands every year. This church is a product of that vision and is working to see it expanded in the short time that remains before Jesus' return.

God has given us a vision for the day we live in. Our message is simple, yet it is the cornerstone of all truth. Jesus Christ is the only hope for man's salvation. In a world full of empty dreams and false promises, there is a truth which grows stronger every year, and that is Jesus Christ and him crucified!

# THE VISION AND THE METHOD

#### The Indigenious Church

God is returning the church to the dignity of its foundations. There is no need for the giant organizations and denominations that litter the spiritual landscape.

What is needed are churches that will go back to their spiritual roots - The Bible. There we find that each church was a launching pad to win the world - supporting itself, discipling, training, equipping, and releasing workers into this world.

Many think of the church as a dead institution or a meaningless relic, years behind the times. We believe the church is the Bride of Christ, the depository of God's glory and the pillar and ground of truth. It is the most vital institution on Planet Earth. History revolves around the visible body of Christ. Jesus is showing us the keys to releasing his church.

### **EVANGELISM**

Jesus has never rescinded the command, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel." The fulfilling of this command brings great spiritual health. The power of the Holy Spirit is brought to bear in order to accomplish the command, and joy is released in those who obey. While many churches only talk about winning the lost, our primary goal is to lead men and women to Jesus. The churches of the Fellowship put the frills of modern Christianity second to the needs of the hour. The result of obedience to this command is that God is glorified and honors his word through signs, wonders, and manifestations of the gifts.

# **MATURITY THROUGH A LIFESTYLE**

Jesus looked for those who were dedicated to following him. In two thousand years, the seriousness of the church towards being disciples has deteriorated. It is our goal as a church not just to learn to live the truths of the scripture. We live in the last days, and this is an hour where the most exciting challenge in life is to be a disciple of Jesus Christ. The members of our churches are not satisfied to be "hearers only" but desire to be "doers of the word of God." They come faithfully, give joyously, worship fervently, and witness loyally. They have found Jesus Christ to be "the same yesterday, today and forever."

#### DISCIPLESHIP

Each church in the New Testament copied Jesus' method of calling those who God had chosen and trained them through example and released. The book of Acts demonstrates the powerful impact that is possible to those who take Jesus' command and pattern serioulsly. Our vision is the restoration of the Bible patern of church growth. In the past few years, hundreds of churches have been started by this method. In each of the Fellowship churches, there is a fulfiling of Christ's command to make disciples.

This means that we believe that the church needs to be released. We believe in the functioning of the nine gifts of the Spirit and challenge the members of the church to find the full expression and release of their lives in whatever form God wills

## **PRAYER**

Daily prayer is a normal part of our churches. This is the way of battle for the Christian. Robbed of prayer, the church is robbed of prayer, direction and divine presence. We know that the kingdom is built by God's power, not man's. That is why we place emphasis on touching and releasing God.

## **PREACHING**

The Bible is the guide book of the Christian life and preachiung is God's method of bringing it to the hearts of God's people. We believe that honest, direct and anointed preaching has always been used by God to shake the nations. In an age of low commitment, many seek to hear a watered-down message, but it is our firm belief that God is raising up a people hungry for the meat of the word. That is why our order of worship is centered around the whole preaching of the gospel.