Beyond Our Comfort Zone

• Advertising
  ◦ Use Orrviews and Bargain Hunter, Daily Record – understand the media better
  ◦ Fliers in the mail
  ◦ Welcome Wagon type info to new residents
  ◦ Social media improvements – website, Instagram, Facebook
  ◦ Wear church t-shirts
  ◦ Feature people in stories in newsletter and on Facebook
  ◦ Invite community to church activities
  ◦ Bible studies to bring people in
- Use A Channel for $365/year can put something on every day
- Be a “card carrying” church

- **CUCC Members**
  - Connect with inactive members
  - Try to get all involved in something
  - Remember that some people need to be asked to serve
  - Work at peaceful relationships within church, even when we disagree
  - Follow-up on prayer requests
  - Be a welcoming family - leave out judgment of one another
  - Make the church a high priority in your life
  - Cultivate Lay Leadership
• Coordinate with other churches/organizations

• Inviting Others In
  ◦ Becoming ONA or other way of welcoming various sexual identities
  ◦ Identify visitors in some way that is not embarrassing to them
  ◦ Evangelism instruction for us to do it better
  ◦ Hang banner from stairway on front of church outside
  ◦ Hang rainbow banner on church
  ◦ Sometimes wear less dressy clothes so others may feel more welcome
  ◦ Host a Tailgate party with a church banner
○ Change the name of the Cry Room to the Comfort Room or something else more friendly

○ Tape the Welcome Statement inside the cover of the sign-in tablets in the pews.

○ Print things in Spanish. Improve communication with this community. Add things in our service that would make them more comfortable.

○ Reach out to ethnic groups not represented at CUCC now

• Worship

  ○ Keep organ strong

  ○ Maintain good music we have but evolve to more contemporary
◦ Invite CCCNS to participate in worship yearly
◦ Have traditional and blended worship
◦ Compromise on music – maybe one new song each week
◦ Have a monthly contemporary service, emphasizing youth involvement. Sometimes have outside entertainment or talent during this service
◦ Incorporate worship into other activities such as a meal with a church service afterward.
◦ Lay people more involved in services
◦ Have service at a different time – evening, earlier, Saturday, during Sunday School
◦ Have a non-traditional service or short with less music
• Ideas for New Programs

◦ Once a month invite business people for a luncheon with 15 minute talk form pastor. One church had a potato bar with a donation basket

◦ Put community activities in the bulletin

◦ Welcome home service people and their families – even those who are not CUCC members with care package

◦ Programs available after work- exercise, knitting

◦ Host a Coffee Shop with Music

◦ Showcase collections to community (Christmas Time?)

◦ Picnic and Church in the park

◦ Church activities following sporting events

◦ Open the church during July 4th parade
- Vendor Fair in church
- Book Club
- Church Open House shared with other churches in a walk around event
- Build a gym
- Provide easily accessible wifi
- Host free events for youth in the community, movie and game nights