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Small Group Introduction- 1



New beginnings Baptist church

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Making *Disciple-making* Disciples

Since you have been raised to new life with Christ, set your sights on the realities of heaven, where Christ sits in the place of honor at God's right hand.

Think about the things of heaven, not the things of earth.

Colossians 3:1-2 (NLT)

Our biblical focus

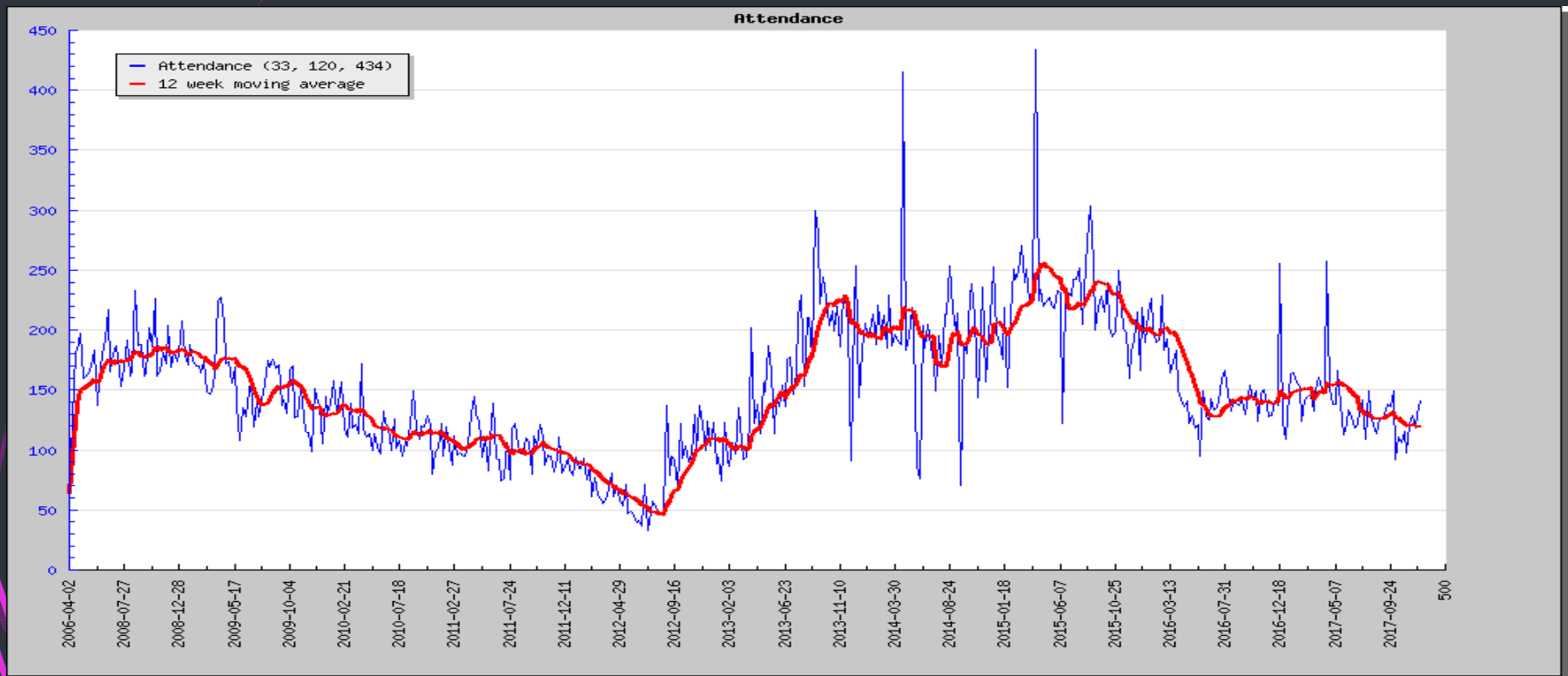
- ▶ Not on growing a church
- ▶ Not on growing programs
- ▶ Not even on growing small groups

- ▶ We will grow disciples of Jesus who will make and grow disciples of Jesus
- ▶ We will help *people* move from spiritually lost to maturing, reproducing, God-knowing, God-loving, God-serving disciples of Jesus

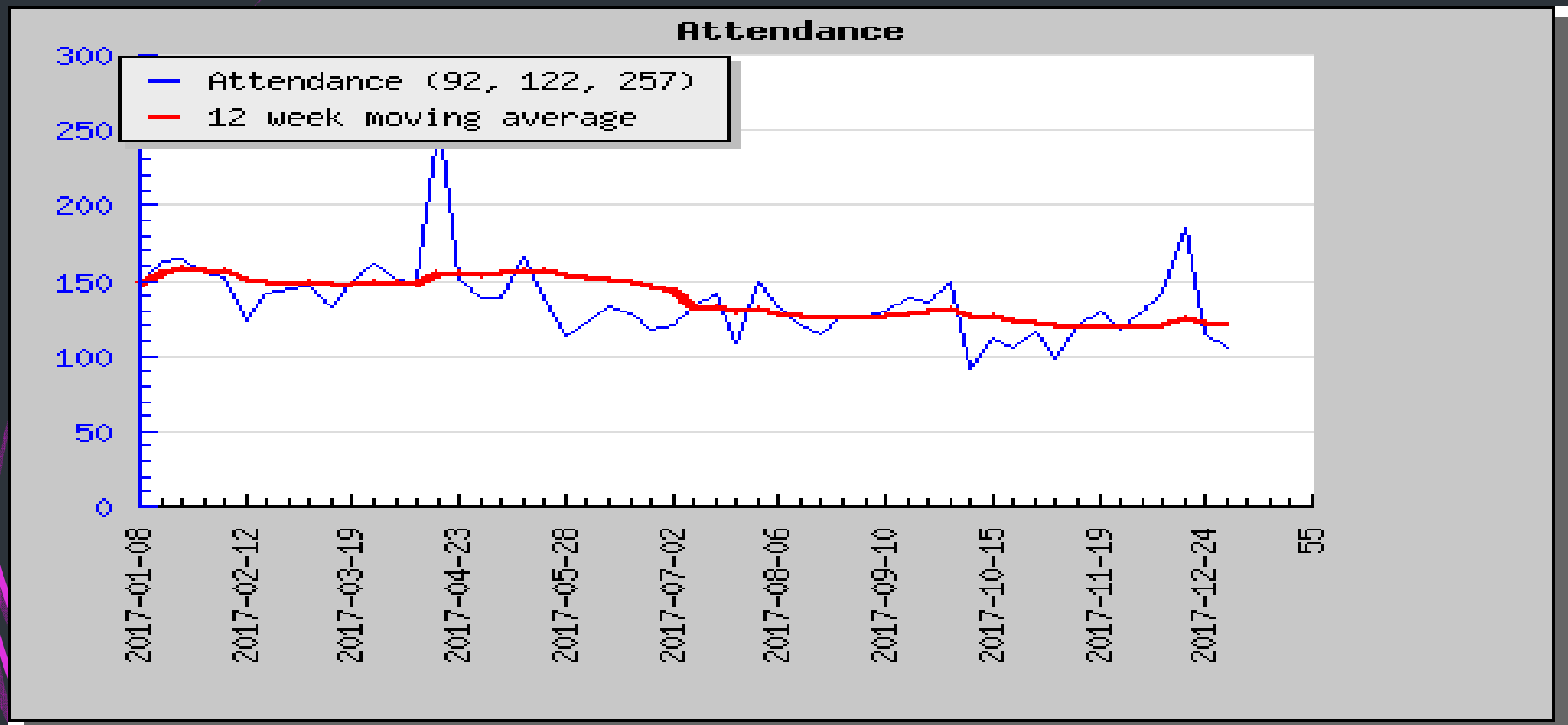
Everything we have and do becomes a tool to be used in --

- ▶ Making *Disciple-making* Disciples
- ▶ Thus:
 - ▶ The groups grow and multiply
 - ▶ The church grows
 - ▶ Heaven is populated while hell is de-populated
- ▶ All we are doing is our little part

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE TREND 2006-PRESENT



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE TREND PRESENT YEAR




Many churches focus on doing church

They bring people in, while people go out.

Doing church is not a Biblical model.

- There *is* no Solid Biblical model for doing church!
- There *is* a Solid Biblical model for growing believers!





Could it be...
that we are one of those
churches?

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No judgement, its just that we are ready for
the next level.

Let's look at where we are

Strengths:

- ▶ Love
- ▶ Acceptance
- ▶ Spiritual
- ▶ Hard workers
- ▶ Diversity
- ▶ Support
- ▶ Truth
- ▶ Opportunities
- ▶ Personality
- ▶ LIFE
- ▶ Fellowship

Weaknesses:

- ▶ Attendance
- ▶ Drama
- ▶ Lack of faithfulness
- ▶ Rumors about the Church
- ▶ Somewhat divided
- ▶ Lack of Maturity
- ▶ Entitlement