**MISSION IMPERATIVE**

**Introduction**

In order for The Salvation Army to successfully achieve its Christ centered purpose, relevant strategies and methods must be adopted to meet the varied needs of communities we are called to serve today. This requires a periodic review of current systems and practices, allowing for an evaluation to reveal where and when corrective steps are required.

This Mission Imperative, consisting of five integrated parts, is the result of such a process. It targets areas that require urgent remedial attention if we are to remain viable as a mission movement. By faith, and in the power of the Holy Spirit, the Central Territory is committing resources of time, people and finance toward strengthening our performance in these vital areas.

In fulfillment of the Soldier’s Covenant, every Salvationist is challenged to reaffirm their calling by actively helping “more people become more like Jesus.”

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**Spiritual Life**

We seek to be a Salvation Army committed to and consumed with the spiritual life and development of God’s people. An Army marked by:

- Empowering Prayer
- Intentional Evangelism
- Compelling Discipleship
- Active Holiness
- Continuous Transformation

**Youth**

We seek to be a Salvation Army committed to and engaged with youth of all ages, intentionally seeking to capture their hearts, engage their passion and unlock their potential. An Army marked by:

- Open Communication
- Genuine Encouragement
- Mutual Respect
- Redemptive Trust
- Empowering Opportunity

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**City Mission**

We seek to be a Salvation Army intimately woven into the fabric of our cities and responsive to their needs both practically and spiritually. An Army marked by:

- Incarnational Engagement
- Gospel Impact
- Impassioned Service
- Mission Integration
- Continuous Innovation
- Strategic Investment

**Intercultural**

We seek to be a Salvation Army fully engaged within our communities; celebrating the uniqueness and reflecting the diversity of our local neighborhoods—a visible testimony that all are “created in the image of God.” An Army marked by:

- Active Awareness
- Mutual Openness
- Consistent Grace
- Unconditional Love
- Practical Equity

**Leadership**

We seek to be a Salvation Army that recognizes the sacredness of all ministry and acknowledges the unique calling of individuals to serve as local officers and officers. Their calling is to fulfill the divine requirement of spiritual leadership. An Army marked by:

- Increased Engagement
- Inspired Creativity
- Sacrificial Service
- Lifelong Development
- Spirit Led
- Mutual Accountability

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**More People. More Like Jesus.**

We would see Jesus. (John 17:21)