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Guiding Principles for Mission

1. God is active in the world.

2. The church's renewal comes as it joins God in the world.

3. God always begins with us where we are.

4. Where we are is where we need to be (right now).

5. We have much to learn.

6. Nothing is a "failure." God can and will teach us if we stay curious.

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Quotes for Mission

What we practice,
we become.

- Krista Tippett

If you haven't been changed,
you haven't listened
long enough.

- Scott Cormode

We don't think our way
into new behavior;
we behave our way
into new thinking.

- Richard Rohr

The definition
of an interesting person
is an interested person.
Stay curious.

- Elizabeth Gilbert

I'm having
so much more fun
just following
where the Spirit is leading
instead of feeling tied
to how I thought
it was supposed to be.

- Tracy Gingrass

Blessing people where they are
is more important
than getting them to show up
where we are.

- Karl Vaters

The world is my parish...
not the parish my world.

- Michael Beck, quoting Wesley

I prefer a church
which is bruised, hurting and dirty
because it has been out on the streets,
rather than a church which is unhealthy
from being confined
and from clinging to its own security.

- Pope Francis

Instructions
for living a life:
Pay attention.
Be astonished.
Tell about it.

- Mary Oliver, "Sometimes"

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