A Combined Ministry

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Intro

- Teaming?
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Tale of Two Churches

SOUTHBAY

- New church plant
- Near SDA center (SAU)
- Medium (att: <u>+</u>200)
- Bible Belt
- Stroke/DM Belt...
- Anxious to do evangelism, Bible studies, etc
- Fairly unified
- Many families with small children

MOUNT SHASTA

- Established church
- Rural
- Small (att: <u>+</u>40)
- Secular/New Age
- Health Conscious
- Reluctant to do public evangelism but open to health programs
- Diverse perspectives
- Few families with young children

In common...

• Read a book...



Ideas for Pastor/Doctor work together:

Objective: inspire them to work together more, inspire them to bring their pastor's next year to AMEN, suggestions of how to implement health ministry at their churches, relational challenges, EGW references about physicians and ministers, talk about roles physicians as evangelists and pastors as healers, the fruit of working together: the way we've integrated health and personal ministries, ?look at the history of health work/Kellogg/Tyndall/others

Chris' experience at AMEN, encouraged to do more medical work, collaborating, emphasizing importance of having pastor's come to AMEN, was nice to connect with Jeremy Arnall (conservative and health-minded),

How to work with your pastor...

How to work with your doctor ...

Health program planning/execution

Bible study stuff

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• Let the medical workers present the important truths of the third angel's message from the physician's viewpoint. Physicians of consecration and talent can secure a hearing in large cities at times when other men would fail. As physicians unite with ministers in proclaiming the gospel in the great cities of the land, their combined labors will result in influencing many minds in favor of the truth for this time. {RH April 7, 1910, par. 14}

 If our physicians and our ministers can work together in the presentation of truth to the people, more can be reached than could be influenced by the minister laboring alone.... {MM 263.3}

 The gospel minister should preach the health principles, for these have been given of God as among the means needed to prepare a people perfect in character. Therefore health principles have been given to us that as a people we might be prepared in both mind and body to receive the fullness of God's blessing. The medical missionary work has its place and part in this closing gospel work. {RH October 29, 1914, Art. B, par. 2}

• The Christian physician has a high calling. With his fuller knowledge of the human system and its laws, he is in a position to preach the gospel of salvation with much efficiency and power. The first and chief object of the gospel and all that pertains to it is to seek to save that which is lost. The ministry of the gospel, whether by the minister or the physician, is to reach out to man a helping hand wherever it is needed. It is to minister to the sick and suffering physically as well as to the sin-sick soul. Here the gospel minister and the Christian physician unite, and the Bible worker in her visit from house to house as well. {RH October 29, 1914, Art. B}

• Ministers and physicians are to work harmoniously with earnestness to save souls that are becoming entangled in Satan's snares. They are to point men and women to Jesus, their righteousness, their strength, and the health of their countenance. Continually they are to watch for souls. There are those who are struggling with strong temptations, in danger of being overcome in the fight with satanic agencies. Will you pass these by without offering them assistance? If you see a soul in need of help, engage in conversation with him even though you do not know him. Pray with him. Point him to Jesus. This work belongs just as surely to the doctor as to the minister. By public and private effort the physician should seek to win souls to Christ. {CH 336}

 There is to be no division between the ministry and the medical work. The physician should labor equally with the minister, and with as much earnestness and thoroughness for the salvation of the soul as well as for the restoration of the body.... {MM 237.3}

• In this effort in behalf of the cities, we greatly need the co-operation of all classes of laborers. Especially do we need the help that the physician can render as an evangelist. If ministers and physicians will plan to unite in an effort to reach the honest-hearted ones in our cities, the physicians, as well as the ministers, will be placed on vantage-ground. As they labor in humility, God will open the way before them, and many will receive a saving knowledge of truth. {Ms9-1910.23

• The importance of making our way in the great cities is still kept before me. [...] In this work physicians and gospel ministers are needed. We must press our petitions to the Lord, and do our best, pressing forward with all the energy possible to make an opening in the large cities. Had we in the past worked after the Lord's plans, many lights would be shining brightly that are going out. {Lt148-1909.5}

• Ministers and physicians, sound an alarm. Call upon the people of God to be true and faithful. Be on your guard. Remember that as you co-operate with God, you have as your helpers angels that excel in strength. {Ms132-1903.43}

 Medical missionaries and workers in the gospel ministry are to be bound together by indissoluble ties. Their work is to be done with freshness and power. By their combined efforts the world is to be prepared for the second advent of Christ. {CT 468.2}

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Importance?

- •When the gospel ministers and the medical missionary workers are not united, there is placed on our churches the worst evil that can be placed there.
 - •Loma Linda Messages 59

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Monday, October 21, 2019 Metabolic Syndrome The Deadly Quartet - Are You at Risk?

Metabolic Syndrome is increasingly common, and up to one-third of U.S. adults have it! This dangerous combination of conditions increases the risk of heart disease, stroke, and diabetes. If you have Metabolic Syndrome or any of its components, positive lifestyle changes can delay or even prevent the development of serious health problems.

Monday, November 18, 2019 Change is Good! Tips for making good lifestyle habits stick.

> Habits can sometimes take over, but what if those habits were good ones? How can we resist those bad habits? Get the help you need to stay on track with new lifestyle choices that will change your life for good. Today is a new start!

Visceral Obesity

Metabolic

Syndrome

A FREE Community Health Event

Meetings start at 6:00 pm



HEALTH SEMINARS	EVENT DATES	HEALTH CELEBRATION
Best Weigh	Jan. 21 - Mar. 24	Mar. 21
Stop Smoking	Jan. 23 - Feb. 20	Feb. 15
30 Days To Natural Blood Pressure	Apr. 28 - May 19	May 16
Reversing Diabetes	Jun 16 - July 21	July 18
Depression and Anxiety Recovery	Aug. 18 (Info session)	Oct. 24
	Aug. 25 - Oct. 13	
Cooking Class	Class 1 Apr. 30 - May 21	Class 2 Sep. 24 - Oct. 15







Future Plans





- Medical missionary work must have its representatives in our cities. Centers must be made and missions established on right lines. Ministers of the gospel are to unite with the medical missionary work, which has ever been presented to me as the work which is to break down the prejudice which exists in our world against the truth.
- The medical missionary work is growing in importance....It is a part of the gospel message, and must receive recognition. It is the heaven-ordained means of finding entrance to the hearts of people. It is the duty of our church members in every place to follow the instruction of the Great Teacher. The gospel message is to be preached in every city; for this is in accordance with the example of Christ and His disciples. Medical missionaries are to seek patiently and earnestly to reach the higher classes. If this work is faithfully done, professional men will become trained evangelists.—MM 241