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Seven Simple Steps to Match Mission with Joy... EVERYDAY!

DEFINE MISSION

Provide clarity in our life through defining mission. Mission is not limited to one definition, and often joy is found in discovering how others define mission. *Write your definition of mission.*

MISSION AT WORK

Mission does not have to be present in the job title to show up in the workplace. All places of employment have the potential to be transformed into a mission field. *Review your job description. Select or add one responsibility that completes a task done for the Lord and serves in mission.*

MISSION WITH FAMILY

The best mission teams are within our homes. Families can use the glue that unites them to love deeper, explore wider, and serve together in mission daily. *Reflect on ways your family has taught you compassion in serving others in need.*

MISSION AT CHURCH

All ministries in the church are to plan and live-out missions in the world. As every ministry serves in mission, the body of faith witnesses the fruits of their labors by advancing the kingdom of God beyond the sacred walls of a building. *Recall your favorite story of Jesus that has impacted your faith. Where did this story take place, in the temple or on a hillside?*

MISSION AS A VOLUNTEER

One can serve as a volunteer in the community with mission in mind—walk into an organization as a volunteer and leave as a missionary. *List all the organizations where you volunteer such as church, food bank, hospital, shelter, school, etc.*

MISSION ON A TRIP

The importance of mission lies not within the distance of the mission's location from your home but within the message shared at that location. *If money, time, or skills were not limiting factors, where would your next mission trip be?*

MISSION WITH JOY

In the daily adventure of choosing to serve the Lord with gladness, we soon discover that when the job is done, the conversation is over, and the mission is complete, we find peace in our hearts and joy on our faces. *When have people noticed your face light up with joy and when have you noticed joy appear on the face of others?*

Are you ready to take the next step? Let's chat! Schedule a mission conversation by sending an email to me at aprilhcranford@gmail.com. My hope is for you to discover what makes you different and find joy by using that unique ability to serve God and make a difference in the world.