

ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES

Office of New Evangelization

TRANSFORMING PARISH CULTURE

HOW DO WE LIVE OUT THE ARCHDIOCESE VISION OF EVANGELIZATION ?

The Missionary Discipleship Pathway is the disciple-making process the Archdiocese uses to form missionary disciples by offering pre-evangelization, kerygma, catechesis, and missionary formation experiences in a cohesive way.

When we read the Gospels, we see that a person grows in becoming a disciple of Jesus in stages. To better grasp the journey of becoming a missionary disciple, we can break down the journey into three simple stages using our vision statement:

- HEAR** To *Hear* Jesus' call to be His disciple
- GIVE** To *Give* our entire life over to Jesus as his disciple
- GO** To *Go* and make disciples of Jesus

These three stages of the journey lay out a pathway that can be used by all the baptized to help someone make the journey to become a missionary disciple.

The Pathway is how the Archdiocese seeks to form missionary disciples as an entire Archdiocese. The Pathway is how we live out the vision of evangelization – it is an apprenticeship into a missionary way of life.

In practice, what our parishes and archdiocesan offices usually do is either sacramental preparation or training to fulfill a specific role in the parish. The Pathway is a basic formation and praxis in the Christian life; it is for everyone and is the foundation of both sacramental prep and ministerial training.

At a practical level, the entire life of the Archdiocese would design and plan all archdiocesan experiences and events around the three stages of the Missionary Discipleship Pathway. Each archdiocesan office and parish would mirror and connect to the Missionary Discipleship Pathway in their unique ministry.