

We are a church where lives are being transformed by the Holy Spirit into the likeness of Christ

FIVE YEAR PRIORITIES

Transformed relationships with God (UP)

We seek to know God better through his word in the Bible and through prayer; to experience his love more deeply; to celebrate it in worship and to glorify Him

In the faith of our children and young people

In the depth of discipleship of our members

As new Christians come to faith

In our Sunday worship

Transformed relationships with one another (IN)

We show love to each other, share life together, and seek to grow in maturity through fellowship, prayer, God's word and the gift of the Holy Spirit

Through our homegroup network

By providing excellent pastoral care for all

By exploring the possibilities for a new place to meet to serve and bless the community, and to provide more worship space

Transformed relationships with the wider community (OUT)

We reach out to others through showing unconditional love, compassion and service and the clear offer of salvation through Christ

As our satellite church develops

By using our giving to bless others

By embedding our Stepping Out principles in our daily lives

Through continued engagement with other local churches

ONE YEAR ACTION PLAN - In 1 year we will:

Transformed relationships with God (UP)	
In the faith of our children and young people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a discipleship group for ages 14+ • Develop the involvement of our children & young people in the life of our church
In the depth of discipleship of our members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carry out a spiritual survey • Provide more teaching on discipleship • Increase involvement in accountability groups • Increase the level of sacrificial giving
As new Christians come to faith	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop our confidence in sharing our faith • Identify a significant number of persons of peace to pray for, share with & invite along • See more people going from community-based activities to church groups to faith
In our Sunday worship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review Sunday worship structures with a view to having increased opportunities for testimony, and increased freedom to worship in Spirit and in truth
Transformed relationships with one another (IN)	
Through our homegroup network	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase the number of well prepared, trained leaders for homegroups • Provide teaching for congregation on the value of meeting in small groups • Increase the proportion of church members meeting regularly in home groups
By providing excellent pastoral care for all	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create a team to have oversight of pastoral care within the church
By exploring the possibilities for a new place to meet to serve and bless the community, and to provide more worship space	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify some options and present the recommendations
Transformed relationships with the wider community (OUT)	
As our satellite church develops	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a Missional Community in the northern part of the parish
By using our giving to bless others	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify sustainable funding sources for our staff • Establish a budget for blessing the local community
By embedding our Stepping Out principles in our daily lives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Undertake a review of the purposes and effectiveness of our Stepping Out groups • See increased numbers coming to faith through small groups
Through continued engagement with other local churches	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initiate discussions about a Rushden Lake chaplaincy • Support continued engagement in the new school proposal in Rushden East