

Outline Objectives for the 2017-18 year

Aims for the Coming Year: Epsom Methodist Church TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

Last year's objectives have been reviewed and refined, to clarify what is our mission, objective, goals, strategy, things that can be measured or noticed and specific actions to achieve them. A detailed document with all the different parameters has been developed. It is recognised that growth, which is both in depth of discipleship and numerical, is an aspect of all areas. All the objectives are for all ages including children, young people and families.

We believe God's mission is that the kingdom will come on earth.

We want to be a healthy, growing church playing our part in that mission.

1. **We worship** - to articulate with all our hearts, our love of God in our worship prayer and service
 - That there is a variety and richness of worship which is engaging, accessible, challenging and inspiring
 - For each congregation to establish its own identity and also share a common vision and mission with the whole Church
2. **We learn** - to deepen our relationship with God through Jesus Christ
 - That we become better disciples; more devoted followers of Jesus Christ
 - 90% of the congregation to be actively involved in a small group. This will mean an increase in the number of groups and group leaders
3. **We care** - to show and receive love and support
 - That we support and help all members and others who need assistance, in times of difficulty, illness, marriage, bereavement and family break-up and at other times
 - That every member is connected to one another
4. **We serve** - that all use the gifts God has given them for the good of others
 - For every member to be involved in serving; using the gifts God has given them according to their ability to do so
5. **We look outwards** - for others to discover God's love and power in their lives
 - That lives are changed as people come to know Jesus
 - That we reach out to others through a range of events and provide opportunities for non-members to participate in events
 - 200 new people attending worship

Prayer will be at the centre of all we do