

As well as the BAYEUX principles by 2020 we aim to:

- ~ be in contact and have some spiritual involvement with 1000 people each week
- ~ to develop our organisation, resources and structures to meet our overall mission
- ~ have a significant majority of Church Members living in Battle and surrounding rural communities
- ~ be taking the gospel to, and working in, areas where there is no apparent evangelical witness.

Keeping to our Overall Mission and 2020 Vision

The Church Leadership will ensure that we are keeping to our Overall Mission and 2020 Vision by:

- ~ taking forward our Action Plan to meet the objectives that underpin the Overall Mission and 2020 Vision
- ~ reviewing specific areas of the action plan on a regular basis, and the entire action plan every 18 months
- ~ periodically reporting to the Church meeting on progress and making changes to the Action Plan as required.

The actions to help fulfil the Vision to 2020 are set out in our annual Key Ministry Priorities which are reported to the Annual General Meeting of church members. Be encouraged that, since the vision was introduced in 2001, the Lord has enabled us to complete or progress all of the original new actions ... at the same time as maintaining our regular church programme. We intend to use a variety of ways to share this updated vision with the church so that together we can "Bring Life to the Heart of 1066 Country and beyond".

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TOWARDS 2020 VISION

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Our 2020 Vision is that

Between now and 2020 our primary responsibility will be to share the gospel on a regular basis with the inhabitants of Battle and surrounding rural communities and to see people coming to faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, added to His Church and equipped to become faithful witnessing Christians.

How can we achieve this vision ?

These are the 6 core values which help us to achieve the vision, based on the 6 letters BAYEUX, to enable Church members to pursue their personal walk with God and to be fruitful in seeing God's purposes worked out in 1066 Country.

B BELIEVERS' CHURCH

We aim to be a growing community where members share a common experience of faith in Christ and baptism into the church. Believing and belonging are important to our understanding of God's purposes for local congregations. Without the wholehearted commitment and active service of its members in every area of church life any local church would cease to exist. Involved and active Church members are the key to realising our vision to bring "Life to the Heart of 1066 Country - and beyond". (Acts 2: 42 - 47).

A ADORATION AND PRAISE

Overall responsibility for the worship life of the church lies with the full time pastors and elders. We are committed to the adoration and worship of God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, in congregations, small groups and personally. Shared worship is the response of the believer to God's grace, and equips the believer for mission in their world. We also seek to:

- ~ develop worship "in Spirit and in truth" which expresses both reverence and intimacy and which is participative, life changing and giving glory to God;
- ~ be a truly charismatic church in which the gifts, fruits and ministries of the Holy Spirit flourish.
- ~ include the giving of monetary gifts as a central part of our act of worship

Y YOUTHFUL

There are 2 elements to this. First, we are committed to receiving the renewing power of the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:38), and we are prepared to make necessary changes in programme and style to remain fresh and relevant to our approach to ministry and worship. Second, we recognise that believers under 18 are also part of God's church and we will pursue a vigorous policy of evangelism and discipleship of young people and children.

E EXTENSION

We are committed to extending God's Kingdom at home and abroad: by equipping and training members; through praying, giving and releasing people, and using other resources; by upgrading our premises in Battle as a base for local mission.

U UNDERSTANDING

We are committed to growing in an understanding of the Old and New Testaments and to incorporating Biblical principles into daily living (including personal prayer and Bible study, and high standards of personal integrity, honesty and purity).

X GOING THE EXTRA MILE

We are committed to going the extra mile in love and care of one another, and of those to whom God leads us. This applies to every area of life - work, home, family and church.

Don't forget to turn over to see how else we can achieve the vision >>