## OUR MISSION



### OUR VISION

# TO BE A **VIBRANT** MULTI-ETHNIC CHRISTIAN CHURCH **EQUIPPING** AND **EMPOWERING** DISCIPLES OF ALL AGES IN **ADVANCING HIS KINGDOM** LOCALLY AND GLOBALLY BY **LIVING** FULLY, **SHARING** BOLDLY AND **GROWING** PURPOSEFULLY IN THE LIFE-TRANSFORMING **GRACE** OF JESUS CHRIST.

At LifeWay we are committed to **LIVING**, **SHARING**, and **GROWING** as empowered disciples of Jesus Christ. Our belief that Jesus Christ is the Saviour, who has reconciled us to God through his death on the cross, guides and motivates our actions as a church.

#### OUR CORE VALUES PRAISE As disciples we are called to follow Jesus with our lives. Discipleship is an intentional pursuit as we seek to walk Jesus' way and become more and more like him each day. Here at LifeWay our 12 Av 90 spiritual core values reflect that desire to embody lives of **LIVING PRAISE** which bring honour and glory to his name. Prayer is the lifeblood of the Christian. We take everything to God in Pray prayer, not hoping that our prayer will change God, but hoping that our prayer will change us. DEVOTEDLY Matthew 6:5- 5, Philippians 4:4-7, Ephesians 6:18-20 Luther said that we are to 'so love God that we keep his word holy and gladly hear and learn it.' Growing in grace begins with a Read willingness to be lifelong students at the foot of Jesus, and purposefully grow into maturity in Christ through his Word. **GOD'S WORD** Psalm 119:105, John 8:31-32, Isaiah 55:11, Colossians 3:16. 2 Timothy DAILY 3:16-17, Hebrews 4:12, Ephesians 4:15-16, Colossians 1:9-10, 1 Peter 2:2, 2 Peter 3:18 We gather weekly in worship to be transformed by the grace of God as we are equipped by God's word and nourished at his table. We Attend gather to receive in his presence and to celebrate his living presence WORSHIP among us. **INTENTIONALLY** Luke 24:30-32, Psalm 95:6-7, 1 Chronicles 16:28-29, Ephesians 2:8-9, Ephesians 5:18b-20 Living in relationship with others is what we were created for. We Invest build among us a community of welcome, love, encouragement and support. We take every opportunity to grow in grace together through IN REAL Christian fellowship as we build lasting relationships based on faith, RELATIONSHIPS acceptance and respect. FOR SPIRITUAL 1 Thessalonians 2:8, Acts 2:42-47, Philippians 2:1-4, Colossians 3:12-15, GROWTH John 13:34-36 Serve "Each one should use whatever spiritual gift you have received to serve others." 1 Peter 4:10. We are strongest when all partners in this **IN, THROUGH** faith community discover and use their spiritual gifts to serve God's AND BEYOND mission and his people, and share his hope both locally and globally. THE Matthew 20:25-28, Romans 12:4-8, 1 Corinthians 12:7, 1 Peter 4:10-11, CONGREGATION Ephesians 4:11-16, Matthew 28:18-20, Acts 1:8, Ephesians 5:1-2 We are of all people most blessed. Jesus came that we may have life Embody and have it abundantly. Giving joyfully, thankfully, freely and generously is one of the most blessed things we do. CHRIST-LIKE John 3:16, 2 Corinthians 8:1-9, 2 Corinthians 9:6-15, Proverbs 5:5-9, GENEROSITY Psalm 11:25, Luke 21:1-4, Acts 20:35

### OTHER KEY VALUES









### FAITH FORMATION IN THE HOME

We value the home as the primary place for 'incubating faith'. We equip and support parents in modelling and teaching a life of discipleship to their children.

Deuteronomy 6:4-9, Psalm 78:1-7, Mark 10:13-16, Joshua 24:14-15

#### EXCELLENCE

God gave us his very best in Jesus. He deserves no less. In everything we do in ministry, we give God our very best in response to his great love for us. **John 3:15, Colossians 3:17, 23-24, Philippians 4:8-9** 

#### **'HAVING A GO'**

We value people 'having a go' and taking a risk in ministry. We will celebrate and empower people to 'try' new things and to risk failure for the sake of the Gospel. **1 Corinthians 9:19-23, Acts 4:13** 

### ACCOUNTABILITY

We keep each other accountable to our mission and commit to ongoing learning and growing as a congregation as we regularly review God's mission and purpose for us by asking:

- 1. What worked?
- 2. What didn't work?
- 3. What could we do better next time?