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Soon to be launched
A message from the Vicar:

March 2009

Hi,

It’s more than five years since our last plan for St. George’s and God has been very faithful in enabling us to achieve much of it. We are on the edge of a lot more happening, especially with the building. Five years ago the Southall Group Ministry didn’t exist but now as well as our own plans, we have a joint strategy together with the other four Anglican churches in Southall.

But I am depending on you. This Mission Action Plan is our hopes and dreams for the coming year. Only together we can all make this come about.

We have six priority areas as a church...

1. Worship
2. Fellowship
3. Discipleship
4. Service
5. Evangelism
6. 100/100 Vision

Let’s make them our individual priorities over the coming year and God willing, we will see Jesus’ kingdom grow through St George’s.

With love and all God’s blessings

Rev’d Christopher Ramsay

St George’s Mission Statement is:

‘Following Jesus Christ 24/7’

The Southall Group Mission Statement is:

‘Together with Jesus, Transforming People, Transforming Southall’
1. Worship:
‘Following Jesus Christ 24/7’

Values
- Whole life not just Sundays
- Participation is more important than presentation
- Relevance to all ages
- Contemporary while keeping the best of the Church of England’s traditions
- Encouraging a culture of thanksgiving and joy
- Prayer both cooperate and personal is a constant priority underlying all we do

Objectives:
- To use the opportunity for worshipping in the hall to try some different styles on Sundays e.g. Cafe church, services in peoples homes, visiting other churches, bible class, group work, sermon discussion.
- To review the liturgy cards we use by the end of the year
- To use drama at least 3 times a year
- To develop a group to listen to God for prophetic words
- To further develop lay leaders of worship and preaching
- 24/7 prayer once this year
- To hold a Joshua prayer walk week
- To involve new hosts for the monthly prayer meeting
- Music:
  - At least one new song a month, max 2 songs per month
  - Once a term get a guest musician to lead a Hindi song
  - Find out if people in church can teach one song from their culture
  - Introduce 6 Taize songs over the year
  - Use the restored organ for at least two hymns per week
  - Guest music group at least once per year
- On Sundays to interview members about their work (summer term)
- To have a sermon series on setting personal life plans to make all of life worship

Southall Group objectives:
‘Together with Jesus, Transforming People, Transforming Southall’

- Annual morning Group service in February
- 2 other joint services a year
- A half night of prayer
- To run training in healing ministry
2. Fellowship:
‘Following Jesus Christ 24/7’

Values

- Multi-ethnic
- Collaboration with the Group and other Southall churches
- Spending time together is a priority
- Failure is accepted and not condemned
- Vulnerability is encouraged

Objectives:

- Hospitality Sunday at least once
- To explore a group to attend Spring harvest in 2010
- Youth to attend Soul Survivor camp in the summer 2009
- For PCC to develop a pastoral care system covering everyone in church
- To hold another different social event (e.g. quiz night)

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- To hold another social event (equivalent to the barn dance) e.g. cricket?
3. Discipleship:
‘Following Jesus Christ 24/7’

Values

- To empower and equip every member for ministry
- Bible based
- All age provision
- Preaching to be applied and relevant to life

Objectives:

- A men’s discipleship group once a month
- To run ‘Growing leaders’ course in 2009
- To review the home groups and explore the possibility of a daytime group
- To build an accountability process for each home group and support their leaders
- To build an accountability process for Sunday Club and support their leaders
- For Sunday club to develop its own MAP
- To run a course or programme to help people discover their gifts in the autumn
- Establish a youth cell

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- To develop a modular discipleship course
- To commission lay ministers from each church
- To run a marriage preparation course as a sub deanery
- To finance and recruit a Youth Ministry Director for 3 years from 2009
4. Service:
‘Following Jesus Christ 24/7’

Values

- To share God’s love in words and works, hand in hand
- Relational
- Aiming to transform society
- Giving not getting as a culture
- To do a few things well rather than many poorly

Objectives:

- To deliver the organ project with local schools
- To continue supporting four ministries with our tithe
- Implement green audit
- Helps team to run one project

Southall Group objectives:
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- Membership of West London Citizens and a team of 10 people actively participating
- A joint initiative to support the Lichinga Link through ALMA
- To explore a visit to Lichinga in 2010

Mozambique Village
5. Evangelism:
‘Following Jesus Christ 24/7’

Values

- To equip the congregation to be evangelistic wherever they are (work, family, friends and neighbours)
- A desire to see people of other faiths becoming Christians

Objectives:

- To sustain Toddler group
- To have an annual Fun day
- Alpha in summer term
- To explore using Masala group material in parallel with the Toddler Group

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- To explore what opportunities we can use to reach out through schools
- Christmas procession or equivalent

Baptism at St George’s with Bishop Pete

Evangelistic Football Cage in Southall 2008
6. 100/100 vision:
‘Following Jesus Christ 24/7’

Values
- The people must always take priority over the building
- The building must serve our vision
- We are God’s stewards of the building for the wider community
- Care of the building is to be owned by all

Objectives:
- To complete the restoration of the organ
- To complete phase one of the works to the church including the heating
- To start planning for phase 2
- To maximise and use the income from the Community Centre to sustain our vision