

THE HEATH METHODIST CHURCH, RUNCORN

POLICY DOCUMENT

GOD CENTERED AND MISSION FOCUSED

UNLESS THE LORD BUILD THE HOUSE WE BUILD IN VAIN

We have three aims. (In order of priority)

1. TO DEVELOP ALL MEMBER MINISTRY.

Priority – Develop / deepen the spiritual life of our Members and Adherents.

BY:- Commitment to private prayer and Bible reading

- Making worship a priority
- Whenever possible sharing with others in Bible Study / Fellowship/ Covenant Groups
- Have small prayer groups possibly in houses.

MILESTONES, targets to check how doing

- a) More people attending worship consultation, making suggestions about our worship to show how important this is in their lives.
- b) Setting up prayer groups, possibly triplets.
- c) Developing a Bible reading strategy for those who wish to follow a guided pattern each week.
- d) More people attending Bible study groups.
- e) Integrating the Fellowship / interest groups more fully into the worshipping life of the Church.

2. REFURBISH PREMISES TO MAKE FOR EASIER MAINTENANCE

Priority – not to continue ‘patching’

BY: - Full survey of the roof and repair as needed.

- Renewing the windows in the Church, bricking up the bottom and including emergency exits at the front.
- Renewing the windows in the annex.
- Renewing the heating system in the worship area.
- Having moveable, more flexible seating.
- Enlarge the foyer.
- Have 2 additional ladies toilets.
- More storage space.

(Details of how this to be done to be worked through at Property Committee, sent to Church Council for discussion, and then plans to be put to full Church meeting for approval and backing.)

3. EXTEND EXISTING BUILDING TO DEVELOP FURTHER WORK WITH THE COMMUNITY.

BY: - Refurbishing the stage.

- Building a linked but standalone room at the back which could be a drop in centre.