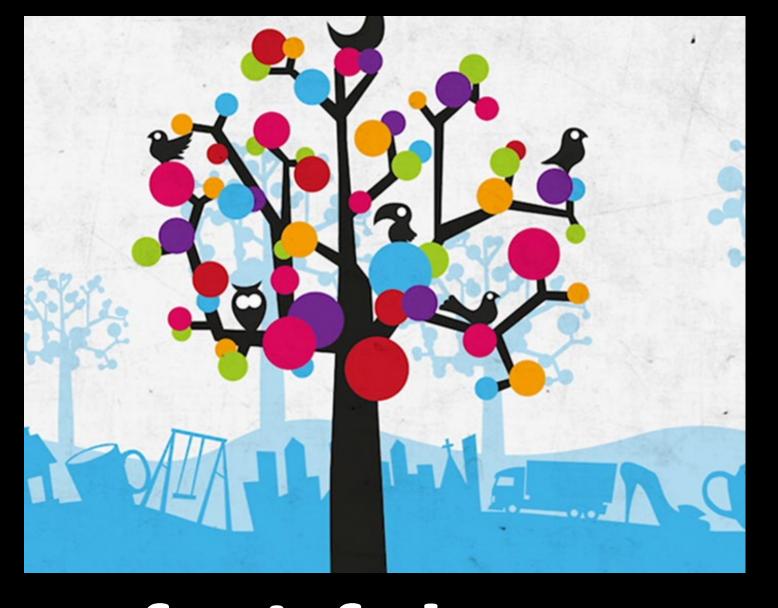
Vision 2020



To be a fruitful community



Fruitful in our own lives John 15.8



Fruitful in our life together Luke 13.6-9



Fruitful in our mission John 21.1-6



Vision 2020 Fruitful Communities: a church of small groups

One Tree
Different Branches
Variety of Fruit



A fresh framework of mission



which recognises:

- old model doesn't work for everyone
- one size does not fit all
- HS doing a new thing



which promotes:

- unity
- diversity
- responsibility
- creativity



which values:

- participation
- learning
- application
- accountability



A fresh framework of mission

- context has changed
- Invite / attract model unfruitful; incarnational
- HS is doing a new thing
- 'aim' is different



Vision 2020 Fruitful Communities: a church of small groups

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A church of small groups would require a new:

- framework for gathering
- framework of oversight



New Gatherings



'Celebrations'

- Gathered
- Focus: 'In'
- Inspirational



'All-Ages'

- Gathered
- Focus: 'In' & 'Out'



'House' meetings

- Dispersed
- Focus: 'In'
- 'Learning Communities'
- Discussion based
- Application focused



Small Missional Communities

- Dispersed
- Focus: 'Out'



SMC's

- Fresh Expressions;
- Walking; Mountain-biking;
- Litter picking; Gardening;
- Community Lunch;
- Residential homes;
- Pastoral-visiting;
- Graft gatherings;
- Forest / Messy Church;
- What's in your hand?
- Creative imagination



A monthly framework

1: (Gathered) Celebration (In)

2: (Dispersed) 'House' Groups (In)

3: (Gathered) 'All-Age' (In/Out)

4: (Dispersed) SMC's (Out)

5: 4 in 2020 - specials



New Oversight



New Oversight

- 1. Does not rely on the professional 'Pastor' model;
- 2. Expands Diaconate;
- 3. Emphasises Membership;
- 4. External support;



No 'professional' Pastor Why?



(i) Can't afford it

- Major cost
- Deficit
- Diminishing capital
- Other demands



(ii) Need to think strategically

- Pastor looks 'In'
- Evangelist looks 'Out'
- Use resources for mission



Expand Diaconate



Emphasise Membership

- Fabric; Pastoral;
- Co-ordinated by Deacons;



External support

- 'apostolic'
- 'non-executive'
- regular input
- prayer covering
- teaching & outreach



Who?

- Local Network (SBF)
- Another local Church (GH)
- Trusted friend/s