



# THE VALUES WE LIVE (AND DIE) BY

*Beyond the Statement of Faith,  
we have five key values which help define our Church:*

## **1. PRACTICAL TRUTH**

*- The authority of the Bible as the Word of God in declaring*

- a. the only way to salvation,
- b. principles for church life, and
- c. principles for personal conduct.

## **2. POWER IN PRAYER**

*- The power of the prayer of faith in all aspects of personal and corporate life,  
as we engage with the presence of God.*

## **3. PERSONAL & PUBLIC DISCIPLESHIP**

*- The need for genuine personal discipleship as we follow the way of Christ which includes:*

- a. Genuine repentance and commitment to Christ with new birth into Christ's family.
- b. Water baptism as a public declaration of our faith in Christ.
- c. Baptism in the Holy Spirit bringing a genuine release of the power of God to believers, linked to New Testament spiritual gifts.
- d. On-going submission to the Word of God and the Spirit being shown in the fruit of the Spirit and holiness in all of life.
- e. Active involvement in the local church socially, spiritually and materially as we nurture and care for one another in accord with Value 4.
- f. Active witnessing of Christ and the Gospel in every part of the wider world in accord with Value 5.

## **4. PARTNERS IN COMMUNITY**

*- The calling of God on the local church family:*

- a. With the oversight and direction of the Elders in conjunction with the wider leadership team.
- b. Where each person, across all generations and abilities, takes an active role in the local church, making a social, spiritual, and financial contribution to it.
- c. Where each member agrees with and seeks to holistically conform to the Statement of Faith, and these values.
- d. Embracing a mutual responsibility towards pastoral care in an atmosphere of love and truth.
- e. Embracing a mutual responsibility towards evangelism in a wide range of forms
- f. Equipping believers to fulfil God's calling to discipleship (as above).
- g. Valuing the benefit of travelling ministries to equip and support the local church.
- h. Linking with the wider Body of Christ of which we are a tiny part.
- i. Planning to plant further local churches.
- j. Celebrating the joy of salvation in Christ.

## **5. PROPHETS & PRIESTS IN THE WORLD**

*- The calling of God for us to be a light to the world in every part of our life:*

- a. We show love to all in word and action.
- b. We seek and enact social care and social justice.
- c. We seek and enact care for all of God's creation.
- d. We share God's Good News with all through a range of means, including organised events and personal witnessing.
- e. We seek the kingdom of God in the wider community