

## DRAFT STRATEGIC PLAN – NEWBOLD CHURCH 2020

### WHY:

In response to Who God is and His actions,

We accept His invitation to **Expand God's Kingdom**

by participating in authentic communities where people (1) encounter Jesus Christ and are (2) shaped by His Spirit

into disciples who fully embrace their place in His story of reconciliation.

### WHAT:

We will uphold these 5 priorities as being the most important to our church:

1. **Worship**
2. **Bible Teaching**
3. **Reach Out**
4. **Care for Each Other**
5. **Gift-based Ministry**

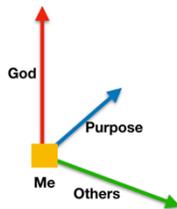


### HOW:

The **values** which will guide our relationships fall in the following categories:

1. God (invited to join Him, **co-workers**, under His leadership, openness, faithfulness, etc. )

2. Others (humility, kindness, sacrifice, considerate, courteous, **compassion**, etc.)
3. Church (passionate, **purposeful**, sense of calling, etc.)
4. Me (**commitment** to the local context, excellence, inclusivity, learning, loyalty, faithfulness, etc.)



### STRATEGY:

1. Utilizing **Small Groups** as the main way in which we can implement the 5 priorities effectively in the lives of the wider congregation and local community
2. **Identifying, Training and Involving** spiritual leaders, in small groups and other ministries

#### 1. **Worship**

- WOSE
- 10 Days of Prayer
- Training for worship leaders and musicians (in process)
- Concerts, Special programs (running)
- Etc.

#### 2. **Bible Teaching**

- 4 preaching tracks throughout the year – (running)
- WOSE – (running)
- Adult Week of Prayer

- Resource Centre – (in process)
- Moor Close Talks – (in process)
- Etc.

### 3. **Reach Out**

#### Existing Ministries

- Homeless ministry
- Toddler Group
- Tuesday Club
- Craft Café
- Jump-in!
- NEKCS
- Etc.

#### Youth outreach

- Care homes ministry – (running)
- City loving ministries: practical witnessing by acts of kindness
- “Youth for people in need”
- “Youth for a better life”
- Etc.

#### Intellectual outreach:

- Issues of social justice
- Support of migrants
- Support of those who are persecuted
- Prayer breakfast for Businesspeople
- Faith-lift events
- Quiet weekends for busy people
- Bible Correspondence School – App
- Vacation Bible School – under consideration
- Etc

#### Ministry-based Outreach

- Women's outreach
- Men's outreach
- Family outreach
- PTF & ADV
- Etc.

#### Community-based events:

- Prayer walks
- Offering our premises to community activities – (in progress)
- Concerts to support local causes – (running)
- Blood donations
- Practical help
- Etc

#### Educational:

- Language courses
- Job finder
- Passing on the Message
- Etc

#### 4. Care for Each Other

- Lunches together in different groups (running)
- Church Day (running)
- Dedicated 'Care' team
- Etc.

#### 5. Gift-based Ministry

- Spiritual gifts inventory

- Hobbies, skills, interests, availability data base
- Etc.

#### STRATEGIC QUESTIONS FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION:

1. What is God's plan for Newbold Church and its mission territory?
2. What are the needs of the people around us? Physical needs, Intellectual needs, recreational needs? Identifying the ideological and spiritual needs of the people around us.
3. What are the needs of various generations?
4. What are the strengths of the Adventist community which are able to respond to the needs identified?
5. How can we become "blessings" to our neighbourhood?
6. What is "Present Truth" for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century society, and for our community around Newbold?
7. What are the outreach initiatives which proved themselves successful and relevant in the past 10 – 15 years? What are the lessons learnt?
8. What is our goal with the presentation and the proclaiming of the Gospel?
9. Who are the key people in planning and strategizing, and also in the implementation and evaluation of the plan?
10. What is the geographical territory the plan covers?

11. How can we invest in the next generation in order to foster a lasting Adventist influence?
12. Where do we need planting new churches?
13. Where do we need multiplication of communities?
14. What are the cultural elements of the society which can be used as bridges between the church and the community?
15. What changes need to take place in order that the church can become a blessing in the community?
16. What are the activities we can offer to the community for their involvement? (Distinguish between programme and ministry)
17. What cooperation can we have with charities, religious organisations, institutions around us?
18. How can our Sabbaths become a day of community and spiritual growth, so our church would become a more welcoming community?
19. How can we utilise our building every day of the week?
20. What is our participation in the life of the local community?