

BENTS GREEN METHODIST CHURCH

Mission Action Plan 2024-27 (revised November 2024)

We believe we are in the middle of Bents Green community for a reason, and that we are specifically called to be a Church at the heart of the community. Our purpose is to be

A Community Church Sharing the Love and Light of Jesus

We affirm what we already do, and aim to build on our strengths, especially in work with children and families in the following ways over the next three years.

Worship and Prayer

- Continue to seek to meet the needs of all our community through relevant worship and teaching for all ages, accessing relevant times and themes. *Ongoing*
- Provide a variety of means to stimulate thought, prayer and praise in different parts of the church. *From November 2024*
- Continue Café worship monthly. *Ongoing*

Learning and Caring

- Develop understanding across the church of Scriptural teaching on wellbeing.
- Small groups to continue to provide learning and caring in a supportive environment *Ongoing*
- An annual church event of some sort to celebrate the year and look forward. *From Summer 2023*
- Eco Church – a range of actions to build on our Eco Church Bronze Award. *From 2023*

Evangelism

- Use appropriate resources as an introduction to the Christian Faith, and encourage growth in discipleship. *2024 onwards*
- Continue to build links in appropriate ways with local schools/shops *Continue*
- Continue to use social media to stimulate community links. *From 2023*

Service

- Seek closer links with the groups that use our premises *Ongoing*
- Hold an annual Fun Day for the Community *Ongoing*
- Provide our present wide range of activities for children and young people *Ongoing*
- Offer support to the community in times of loss/bereavement, and regular services of wholeness and healing *From summer 2024*