

Implementing Life Together



The Mission Action Plan of

The Church of the Good Shepherd Preston, Brighton

The overall objective of our mission is “To bring more people to experience God’s love by making our church the much needed focus in the local community”. We set out below how we hope to achieve that and note how each activity contributes to the ABC of Christian reconciliation.

In 2009-2010 we will:

- 1. Make more contacts with the schools in the parish (B,C)*
- 2. Further develop our Parish festival and involve people in surrounding area (C)*
- 3. Conduct courses for spiritual growth of members, aimed in particularly at new Church members (B)*
- 4. Conduct a survey to identify the needs, aspirations and gifts of the Parish (C)*
- 5. Welcome people from the enlarged Parish to our Church family (C)*

In 2010-2011 we will:

- 1. Aim to deepen our own spirituality through the development of our liturgy and other services (A)*
- 2. Develop ways in which we can offer practical support to the work of St Luke’s advice centre (B,C)*
- 3. Hold more social and community events in the Church and hall (including exploring a link with the Brighton Festival) to reach out to neighbours (C)*

In 2011-2012 we will:

- 1. Work with our neighbouring parishes in the North Brighton Group to take the practical manifestation of the Gospel to the community as a whole (B,C)*
- 2. Develop our Parish festival into a local summer festival (C)*
- 3. Develop a marketing plan for the Church and hall to develop wider use of buildings (C)*

Our objectives are not ‘set in stone’ and may need to change and may well be added to in the light of changing circumstances.



The ABC of Christian reconciliation, which we use as a touchstone for our plan, is:

- A. Attending to God: Worship and spirituality; Christian giving and stewardship*
- B. Building Christian Community: Lay and ordained ministry; ministry with children and young people and in our schools*
- C. Commending God’s love for the world: Evangelism and apologetics; social responsibility in the community; partnership with the wider church*

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