

Riverside Vineyard Church Vision & Values (Ethos) Statement

As a church, all that we do is based upon a dynamic faith in & relationship with Jesus Christ, and summarised in our mission statement:

Worship God, Love others, Be Jesus in the world

Our mission

As a church, we are committed to expressing God's love to all and being part of building thriving communities wherever we live or work. Our motivation comes from Jesus's command to love God with our whole lives (Mark 12: 29-31) and His commission to make disciples (Matthew 28: 18-20). Our mission shapes our priorities (those things we give our time, energy & resources to), our values, and our charitable objectives.

Our priorities

As a church we have identified key priorities which are integral to our mission, and to which we give our time, energy and resources:

- **Bible:** we believe in the authority of the Bible as God's word, and are committed to the practical teaching and application of the Bible as a guide for our lives.
- **Worship:** surrendering the whole of our lives to God and placing a priority on gathering to worship together as a church family.
- **Prayer:** vital to our relationship with God, as we talk with Him and He with us. We recognize our need to pray for God's Kingdom to come.
- **Sending:** equipping & releasing people to serve others locally, nationally or internationally. We're also committed also to launching new sites from this church & planting new Vineyard churches.
- **Ministry:** serving others in our communities including those who are in material, physical or spiritual need.
- **Training:** equipping people for life and mission.

- 1) The furtherance of religious public education
- 2) The advancement of the Christian faith including missionary activities in the United Kingdom and overseas
- 3) The relief of the poor and needy
- 4) The relief of the sick and elderly
- 5) Such other charitable objects and for the benefit of such other charitable bodies and institutions as the trustees in their absolute discretion think fit