

MISSION

2012

WHO ARE WE?
the Church we pray we become

The Anglican Church of Noosa is a Bible-based, prayer-focused community. We pray that we accept, love and care for all, building relationships with the living Jesus Christ and meeting the needs of the wider community.



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Loving and serving you because of Jesus

LOOKING BACK

our plans this time last year

- ✓ Establish a family gathering, Sunday afternoons at Sunshine Beach.
- ✓ Run a holiday kid's program in the April holidays at Sunshine Beach.
- ✓ x Investigate the possibility of a regular after school weekly kids program at Sunshine Beach and/or Tewantin.
- x Establish a playgroup at Peregian and Tewantin.
- ✓ Re-establish a teenage high school youth program.
- x Run two parenting seminars at Sunshine Beach and provide on-going support.
- ✓ Support and follow up Baptism families.
- ✓ Offer regular Jesus Explained courses for people who want to know more about Jesus.
- ✓ x Explore ministry to men.
- ✓ Continue to explore ways we can meet some of the other needs we've identified in the future (given limited resources).

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

for our 2012 plans

- Plan using the portfolios of the Parish Council working groups under the headings 'evangelism', 'discipleship', and 'mission'.
- Must be achievable and measurable.
- Aim to do a few things well (rather than spread ourselves too thinly).
- Acknowledge that there are some needs and ideas we cannot fulfil right now, and that that is okay.
- Continue to plan throughout the year for 2013 and beyond.

OUR PLANS

Father, please abundantly bless our plans

EVANGELISM

DISCIPLESHIP

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EVANGELISM - promoting and proclaiming the good news to everyone in our parish.

By God's grace and in his strength we will:

- Run 6 weeks of talks called "Are we deluded?"
- Offer "Jesus Explained" regularly.
- Run an outreach Sermon Series in Term 3.
- Grow our Easter and Christmas program and services.
- Run an annual prayer breakfast for community leaders.
- Ensure on-going contact with baptism families.
- And in all we do: insist on quality advertising and promotion and work to raise our profile in the area.

Specifically for youth, children and families we will:

- Make the RE program as creative and effective as it can be and explore ways of increasing contact through RE.
- Explore an alternative to 'Children, Coffee, and Conversation'.
- Support our new Children's Ministry Leader to reach children.
- Run a holiday children's program at Easter.
- Organise and offer parenting seminars.
- Work at growing Family Church.
- Work at growing the 9.30am children's ministry.
- Continue the SIX.THREE.OH. program for high school students.
- Build links with the SU chaplains in the area.
- Plan and pray towards the appointment of a Youth Minister or intern in 2013.

DISCIPLESHIP - growing in our love and understanding of the Lord Jesus and in his service.

By God's grace and in his strength we will:

- Promote and grow the Small Group ministry.
- Encourage regular Bible reading by providing reading notes for the passage of Scripture to be preached each week.
- Offer "Introduction to the Bible".
- Equip Christians by running the "Are we deluded?" program for our Lenten studies.
- Inspire and train volunteers for all our ministries.
- Encourage greater dependence on God in prayer.
- Promote and sell a Christian book regularly.
- Encourage one-on-one discipleship.
- Ensure Sunday services and music are inspiring and uplifting.
- Improve how new and returning visitors are welcomed across all services; how potential parishioners may be identified and the improve integration of new members.
- Provide opportunities for us to deepen relationships.
- Continue annual teaching on sacrificial generosity with a view to increasing our annual giving.
- Teach and nurture existing children and high-schoolers by ensuring the quality and creativity of Sunday School, SIX.THREE.OH., 9.30am High School Small Group and Family Church.

MISSION - partnering our mission and aid projects both locally and overseas.

By God's grace and in his strength we will:

- Continue to provide a weekly update on our mission partners.
- Promote a field trip to the Saviour's home in Nepal.
- Create more meaningful links with Blackwater parish.
- Explore relationship with a parish the Bush Ministry fund supports.
- Build links with Anglicare locally.
- Establish a yearly mission lunch after church with reps from our 8 partners to share about their work and explore the 'why' of mission and aid.