

Leaders Retreat November 2nd, 2002

Vision & Purpose & Values



Grace
Community
Baptist Church

“Grace Community Baptist Church aims to serve, equip and empower people to reach their Godly potential in an atmosphere of Grace within the context of community.”

Our Values

All values apply to every aspect of GCBC ministry, all departments, cells etc.

We value Small group relationships

Explanation: Cell structure and values (worship, teaching, outreach and ministry all in a relational environment) applied to all ministries.

Biblical References: Acts 2: 42-47. Matt. 18:20

We value Body life ministry

Explanation: We believe every Christian has gifts and talents that should be used for ministry and outreach. Every believer equipped and released to minister.

Biblical References: 1 Peter 4:10; 1 Corinthians 12; Romans 12:6-15

We value Servant-hood

Explanation: Honouring Christ by serving one another and our community in love and humility with acts of kindness and good works.

Biblical References: Phil 2:1-11; Luke 4:8

We value Empowering

Explanation: - restoration, healing, enabling, encouraging, caring, counselling for wholeness so that people can be free to fulfil their God ordained purpose and pursue their own hopes and dreams.

Biblical References: John 10:10; Jer. 29:11; Is. 61

We value Freedom

Explanation: Freedom - to be real. Freedom of expression and creativity under pastoral leadership. Free to explore and grow in giftedness and as unique individuals.

Biblical References: John 8:30-36; Gal. 5:1,13; Eph. 3:12; 1 Peter 2:16

We value Facilitating

Explanation: Support with resources and spiritual input, visions for ministry that individuals or groups may have, that are complimentary to our Vision, Values and Goals.

Biblical References: Eph. 2:10; Eph. 4:10-13;

We value Inter generation fellowship

Explanation: We value all age groups and encourage interaction, communication and support between generations.

Biblical References: Mark 10:13-14; 1 Cor.12:14-27.

We value Grace

Explanation: Acceptance, Forgiveness, Love, Patience, Graciousness.

Biblical References: Gal. 5:22-23; Gal. 6:1-5; Eph. 2:8-9

We value Community

Explanation: Effective communication, relationship building events, mutual support and accountability, safe environment. Christ centred.

Biblical References: 1 Thess. 5:11-14; Heb. 10:24-25; 1 Peter 3:8; 1 John 1:7