



VISION & MISSION

OUR VISION

WE ARE HERE TO GLORIFY GOD
by connecting people with Jesus Christ and each other

OUR MISSION

Believe

IN CHRIST

Belong

TO CHRIST

Become

LIKE CHRIST

Our desire as a church is that every person that we connect with will move through the simple **process** of *believing*, *belonging* and *becoming* like Christ. Our **mission** as a church is to be actively involved in *evangelism* (Believe), *fellowship* (Belong), and *discipleship* (Become), culminating in *worship* that brings glory God.

OUR STRATEGIC GOAL

Like the experience of the early Church (Acts 9:31) the strategic goal of Riverstone Community Church is to grow the church in both a spiritual and numerical sense by:

- **connecting people with *Christ*** through the development of a real, authentic and growing faith,
- **connecting with the *community*** in a relevant and appealing way, and then,
- **connecting people with *each other*** in meaningful and caring relationships.

In order to grow the church in both a spiritual and numerical sense the leaders have made a commitment to help the church focus on:

- fostering **loving and close Relationships** with God and each other,
- creating a continuing **environment of Discipleship**,
- developing **greater Prayerfulness**,
- formulating more **effective Evangelism**,
- stewardship of the **church Facilities**,
- improving **church Ministries**,
- creating more **inspiring Services**,
- enhancing **pastoral Care**,
- making ongoing **improvements to the Leadership**.

OUR IDENTITY & VALUES

We connect people to God and each other by being a:

Biblical Church

Because Jesus is *Truth* (John 14:6), the church is to be a *pillar and foundation of the truth* (1 Tim 3:15), and God's Word is *truth* (John 17:17).

Loving, Social Church

Because *God is Love* (1 John 4:16) and *Christ loves the church* (Eph 5:25).

Pastoral Church

Because Jesus is the *Chief Shepherd* (1 Peter 5:4) who has appointed under *shepherds to care for His flock* (Acts 20:28).

Prayerful Church

Because Jesus as the Great High Priest *lives to intercede for us* (Heb 7:25) and calls us to pray on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests (Eph 6:18).

Spiritual Church

Because Jesus is Holy and calls His church to be holy (1 Peter 1:15).

Worshipful Church

Because Jesus is Lord (Phil. 2:11) and seeks worshippers who worship Him in spirit and truth (John 4:23-24).

Missional Church

Because Jesus came to seek and save the lost (Luke 19:10) and calls us to make disciples of all nations (Matt 19:28).

