

Pathways Schematic

The Pathways Paradigm at a glance

	<i>Potential Contact</i>	<i>In Touch</i>	<i>Belonging</i>	<i>Embracing the Gospel</i>	<i>Following Jesus</i>	<i>Serving in Ministry</i>	<i>Leading Ministry</i>
<i>Description of people at this stage and what they need</i>	People we don't know and who know no one in the church. Need to make contact.	People who know at least one person in the church. Need an attractive group in which to belong.	Know several people and are a regular part of a church group. Need an opportunity to find out more about Christian faith and a reason to consider commitment.	Interested in knowing about Jesus. Need to hear the gospel and establish a relationship with God.	In a process of learning, obeying and growing in faith. Need teaching, encouragement and accountability to support Christian life.	Have identified gifts, skills and ministry and are serving others in Jesus' name. Need opportunities and training to develop gifts.	Take up a leadership role.
<i>Aim of activity at this stage</i>	Let people know we have something to offer. Encourage people to make an initial contact with us.	Encourage people we know to become regular participants in a program or group.	Cultivate relationships between believers and people who participate in a program or group. Share spiritual life.	Create an environment where people can explore the gospel in a meaningful way. Ensure there are opportunities for people to make a response to the claims of Jesus.	Teach, encourage and share accountability with people as they shape their life to be followers of Jesus.	Encourage and equip all people to exercise their gifts and talents.	Train and encourage people to be leaders in the church.
<i>Example activities</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Website • Sign • Fete/fair • Finding opportunities to connect with people we bump into: neighbours, wait staff etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reception • Responding to inquiries • Funeral ministry • Cultivating relationships with people in our work, school, social spheres 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playgroups • Kids' clubs • Sporting clubs • Interest groups • Book clubs • Regular social gatherings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alpha • Christianity Explained • Catechumenate courses • Evangelistic Bible studies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Life groups • Cell groups • Life Transformation groups • Sunday school 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SHAPE course • Training sessions • Apprenticing arrangements • Program team meetings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Church council • Leadership community