

Hospitality Core Ministry Team

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I have been asked to head this up in the initial stages. As yet the team is not yet finalised although those functions which will be a part of this team are running well at the moment.

This team will include the welcome team and those who help with the catering of events.

While on sabbatical in the UK and Canada I have been thinking and praying about this team and its purpose and mission. Some initial ideas have looked at more intentionality in the welcoming of new members and the following up of the same. At the moment I am seeing that hospitality goes beyond linking people into fellowship and making sure there is food and drink available at events. I am hoping my ideas will formulate over the next couple of months and we can start to look at how we maximise our hospitality both to those outside of the church as well as members.

At the moment my vision is that all should feel welcome and part of the church family. This includes encouraging a spirit of hospitality amongst us all that is inclusive and leaves no-one feeling alone. This is a big ask as we all have a responsibility for this. It can be difficult in a church with established friendship groups but is a challenge we should all start to think about taking on board.

The hospitality team will be looking at supporting the other core ministries as we all work as a whole when we look at the overall function of our church.

I look forward to developing this team when I return.