

Aims & details

Scope	Anglican Faith	Requirement	Remark
1. Bible study	Bible	1 a. Read the Bible at least 5 times a week 1 b. Write a passage of the message got from the Scriptures	1 a. Read for at least 20 minutes each time 1 b. Find out what God tells you through the Scriptures
2. Prayer	Bible, Faith, Renewal, Care	2 a. Pray every day 2 b. Write a prayer	
3. Worship	Liturgical worship	3. Attend Sunday services	3. Attendance 90% or above
4. Study	Bible, Faith, Renewal	4 a. Join any study groups (at least 10 hours) 4 b. Readings or CDs	4 a. To be recognised by the vicar 4 b. Recommendation will be provided
5. Care & concern	Care	5 a. Care for at least 1 relative/ friend 5 b. Take part in one social service or environmental protection event	5 a. Guidance and training will be provided 5 b. Theme: To be a reconciliator
6. Evangelism	Mission	6. Preach to at least 1 person and take him/her to church	6. Guidance and training will be provided
7. Offering	Faith, Bible, Mission	7. Increase the amount of money offering	7. 8% increase compared with the previous year
8. Serving	Faith, Bible, Mission	8. Take part in at least one post in parish ministries	8. To be recognised by the vicar
9. Fellowship	Faith, Renewal, Care	9. Take part in a regular fellowship and care for the members	9. Attendance 75% or above

Exemption:
 Participants of Emmaus or missionaries could be exempted from item 4 and item 6.
 Participants of 'Mentorship Scheme' of Diocese of Hong Kong Island could be exempted from item 5a.

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Be a "★ ★ ★" Anglican

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Campaign for Anglican Vitality

Be a vital Anglican & lives the Anglican faith

Do not conform yourselves to the standards of this world, but let God transform you inwardly by a complete change of your mind. Then you will be able to know the will of God — what is good and is pleasing to him and is perfect. (Romans 12:2)

Participant's Record (1st term)
 1st March to 31st August 2009



The Crest of our Province shall be adopted from the crest of the former Diocese of Hong Kong and Macao.

The said Crest can be found engraved on the Cathedral, seat of the Bishop, and can still be seen in the Cathedral Church of St. John the Evangelist today.

The seven elements of our Crest bear the following meanings:

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| The Mitre | The mitre is the traditional headgear worn by bishops. As a symbol, its meaning is twofold. On the one hand, it shows that the Anglican Church is an Episcopal church, a church guided by bishops. On the other hand, it underlines the fact that the Anglican Church has inherited the faith of the Apostles. |
| The Shield | The shape of a shield signifies the defending of Christian faith in the temporal world. |
| The Crown | It is the symbol of the kingship of Christ. It indicates that the Church works in the world in obedience to Christ and to the glory of God. |
| The Bible | The book in the middle of the shield is the Bible which is a record of the self-disclosure of God in history – the history of the people of Israel in the Old Testament period and the life of Jesus Christ. The doctrine, discipline and worship of the Anglican Church is based on the Bible and must be in accordance with its teachings. |
| The Key | It is a symbol of authority which the Church receives from Christ. |
| The Crozier | It is a symbol of the pastoral responsibility which the Church bears for the world. It is also known as the pastoral staff. It reminds the Church of its humble identity as a servant. |
| The Shell | Placed beneath the Bible, the shell is used to symbolise Baptism. It underlines the evangelistic mission of the Church which is to preach the Gospel, to draw people to Christ and to baptise them. |



Being a follower of Jesus Christ and an Anglican disciple, we need to renew the motive power of our spiritual life unceasingly and be a good example. I hope all of us would participate in the campaign of 'Be a " " Anglican' to equip ourselves to be a vital Anglican. As Paul emphasised in Philippians and Ephesians, establishing churches, contributing to the world and be a good example are the responsibilities of all Christians.

Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Province
Archbishop Paul Kwong

We must put our belief into practice through practical actions. 'And now I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another.' Jesus used to tell his disciples. (John 13:34) This refers to unconditional and endless love. The campaign of 'Be a " " Anglican' is designed to guide us loving God and loving our neighbours through practical actions. I hope all of us would participate in this meaningful campaign.

Diocese of Eastern Kowloon
Bishop Louis Tsui

When we were baptised, we promised to keep ourselves away from sin and devil. We must be loyal to God and change our life by having the attitude that Jesus had. We should also show the holy and spiritual qualities that Jesus had and show the love of God through good behaviour and honest words. The campaign of 'Be a " " Anglican' is one of the events celebrating the 10th anniversary of Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Province. The goals set in the training programme could help us to have faith, hope, and love in our life and thus making us know and love God more. Let us devote ourselves to preach and to care for others. I hope all of us would participate in this meaningful campaign and inspire enthusiasm in our church.

Diocese of Western Kowloon
Bishop Thomas Soo



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I, _____, (name)
am a member/catechumen of _____
_____ (name of church).

I vow to be a ' _____ 'Anglican and will do my
best to meet the requirements of the nine scopes.

I am hopeful to become a vital, fully equipped and
devoting disciple.

Signature: _____

Date: _____



Points to note:

1 This Participant's Record aims at providing guidance to participants. Please make a good use of it.

2 Please review and record your progress in the report of progress regularly.

3 Please complete at least 5 scopes or totally 9 scopes within six months. Fill in the report of progress, get the signature of your vicar and get the award.



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Anglican Faith

- 1 • Scriptural foundation**
The Bible is the basis of our faith. It includes the principles of salvation.
- 2 • Maintain Catholic faith**
The Apostles' Creed and The Nicene Creed are the summaries of our faith.
- 3 • Apostolic succession**
The Anglican Church was established in England in 16th century. Its faith, however, originated in the time of Apostolic Age.
- 4 • A balanced faith**
We understand the faith in three ways: the Bible, tradition and reason.
- 5 • Threefold ministry**
Bishop, priest and deacon. Bishops are the spiritual and constitutional leaders of the church.
- 6 • Liturgical involvement**
Disciples and God intercommunicate through liturgies, prayers, preaching and solemn atmosphere in services.
- 7 • Social concern**
We put the principle 'Not come to be served, but to serve.' into practice through providing educational and social services to the society.

- 8 • Evangelism**
Anglican started preaching and establishing churches throughout the world in 17th century. The Anglican Communion now consists of 38 provinces and 80 million members with Archbishop of Canterbury as the spiritual leader.
- 9 • Renewal**
Anglican had carried out different renewal movements such as Evangelical Revival Movement and Sunday School Movement in 18th century, Oxford Movement and Ecumenical Movement in 19th century, and the missionary movements from 20th to 21st century, to self-examine and put the teaching of God into practice.
- 10 • Diversity and humility**
On the basis of Christian faith, we respect different ways to show the faith. Some churches focus on liturgies, some emphasise evangelism, some insist on pastoral caring, some lay emphasis on meditation and prayers, and some especially concern about social justice.





A short guide to the duties of Church membership for members of the Church of England

As baptised and confirmed members of our Church, we are called upon to play part in its life and witness. That means we should:

- Follow the example of Christ in home and daily life, and seek to grow in faith.
- Read and study the Bible prayerfully.
- Celebrate together in Sunday and weekday worship God's love for the world.
- Receive the Holy Communion faithfully and regularly.
- Pray daily for the coming of God's kingdom of justice, mercy and peace, seeking to promote the common good by prayer and example.
- Express our Christian faith in work and leisure; in the life of our neighbourhood and nation; in our concern for the peoples of the world and the future of the earth.
- Dedicate our personal gifts and talents to Christ in the service of the Church and the community.
- Give generously for the work of the Church at home and overseas, and for other charitable causes.
- Support Christian values, especially relating to marriage, children, family, neighbours and community.

George Carey, Archbishop of Canterbury
David Hope, Archbishop of York

Source: Alan Wilkinson & Christopher Cocksworth,
An Anglican Companion, SPCK, 2001, ix

Introduction

Individual Training Programme

Theme: **Be a ' ' Anglican**
The idea of ' ' Anglican comes from the three stars on the Hong Kong Identity Card which represent a grown-up. This campaign aims at training Anglicans to be vital disciples and live the Anglican faith through the training programme.

Aim: To establish our Province as a lively Church by continuous studies

Details: This is the first term. Participants have to complete at least 5 scopes or totally 9 scopes not later than 31st August 2009.

Participants who are 61 years old or above could choose four among the nine scopes, set their own goals for these four scopes and achieve the goals according to their ability. For the other five scopes, achieve the goals according to the requirements set.

Scopes: 1. Bible study 2. Prayer 3. Worship
4. Study 5. Care and concern 6. Evangelism
7. Offering 8. Serving 9. Fellowship

Awards: A souvenir will be granted to those who have fulfilled the requirements of any 5 scopes. A certificate and a study Bible will be granted after fulfilling all requirements of the 9 scopes.

Report of progress of individual goals (suitable for participants of 61 or above)

Scope <small>(choose 4 the most)</small>	Requirements <small>(set individual goal according to ability)</small>	Goal achieved	Did more than required
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Report of progress

Scope	Requirements	Goal achieved	Did more than required
1. Bible Study			
a. Read the Bible at least 5 times a week	Read for at least 20 minutes each time		
b. Write s passage of the message got from the Scriptures	Write one passage		
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2. Prayer			
a. Pray every day	Pray faithfully and regularly		
b. Write a prayer	Write one prayer		
.....			
3. Worship			
	Attend Sunday services with attendnce 90% or above		
.....			
4. Study			
a. Join any study groups	10 hours		
b. Readings or CDs	Read a book or listen to one CD		
.....			
5. Care and concern			
a. Care for at least 1 relative / friend	Care for 1 person		
b. Take part in social services or environmental protection events	Take part in 1 event		
.....			
6. Evangelism			
	Preach to 1 person		
.....			
7. Offering			
	8% increase of money offering compared with the previous year		
.....			
8. Serving			
	Take part in at least one post in parish ministries		
.....			
9. Fellowship			
	Take part in a regular fellowship with attendance 75% or above		

RECORD OF 1ST PHASE

I, _____ (name), am a member / catechumen of _____
 _____ (name of church) and had fulfilled the requirements of 5 scopes including **Bible study / Prayer / Worship / Study / Care and concern / Evangelism / Offering / Serving / Fellowship** (please circle the completed scopes).

Signature of participant: _____ Signature of vicar: _____

Date: _____ Date: _____

Remark: Participant will be given a souvenir after the vicar had signed.

RECORD OF WHOLE PROGRAM

I, _____ (name), am a member / catechumen of _____
 _____ (name of church) and had fulfilled all requirements of 9 scopes of the programme before 31st August 2009. This record had been recognised by the vicar.

Signature of participant: _____ Signature of vicar: _____

Date: _____ Date: _____

Remark: Participant will be given a certificate and a study Bible after the vicar had signed.

Scope 1 Bible Study

*I keep your law in my heart, so that I will not sin against you.
(Psalms 119:11)*

*All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching the truth,
rebuking error, correcting faults, and giving instruction for right living.
(2 Timothy 3:16)*

I • The manner to study the Bible

- 1 • **To adore:** Studying the Bible is a desire but not a duty. We should thirst for the words of God like babies thirsty for milk. Under the guidance of God, we experience the wonder and happiness in life.

Be like newborn babies, always thirsty for the pure spiritual milk, so that by drinking it you may grow up and be saved. (1 Peter 2:2)

- 2 • **To concentrate:** Be concentrated and conscientious:
 - Concentrate on every word and study the Bible faithfully and regularly.
 - Recite good Scriptures.
 - Think and find out what God tells you through the Scriptures.
 - Look the Scriptures up in dictionaries and reference books. Take notes when reading the Bible.

Instead, they find joy in obeying the Law of the Lord, and they study it day and night. (Psalms 1:2)

- 3 • **To practice:** Put the truth into practice in daily life

Do not deceive yourselves by just listening to his word; instead, put it into practice. (James 1:22)

II • Goal

- a • Read the Bible at least 5 times a week and read for at least 20 minutes each time.
- b • Find out what God tells you through the Scriptures and write a passage of the message got from the Scriptures.
 - * Write down one of the Scriptures that impresses you most.

Scripture: _____

Source of the Scripture : _____
My feeling : _____

Scope 2 Prayer

For this reason I tell you: when you pray and ask for something, believe that you have received it, and you will be given whatever you ask for. (Mark 11:24)

I • The meaning of prayer

'We must pray, for prayer is neither more nor less than living with God. Shall I live today of myself and by myself, or shall I live it with God? Doubtless, whether or not I live it with God, God lives it with me – but that only makes it the more monstrous that I should not live it with him. Prayer is just living with God: looking at him, regarding his will, reaching out our hands for the blessings he is so eager to give, bringing our action into his. We must pray.'

Austin Farrer (1906-1968), Anglican priest, Professor of religion theology

Source: David Hein, Readings in Anglican Spirituality, Forward Movement, 1991, p. 13-14.

... pray at all times, be thankful in all circumstances. This is what God wants from you in your life in union with Christ Jesus. (1 Thessalonians 5:17-18)

II • Practice

'The setting apart of a time and place is important, a time that is ours, kept with the same seriousness as we would keep any important appointment ... While frequently prayer may emerge spontaneously, it is first and foremost a discipline.'

Franklin c. Ferguson, Anglican priest, specialist in sacred music

Source: Franklin C. Ferguson, A Pilgrimage in Faith, Morehouse-Barlow, 1979, p. 111

Your Father already knows what you need before you ask him. (Matthew 6:8)

III • Guide

Prayer is important in the relationship between God and us. We must pray faithfully and regularly every day. There are five parts in prayers:

- 1 • To praise:** Praise God for his greatness.
- 2 • To confess:** Admit our guilt and repent.
- 3 • To pray for ourselves:** Pray for our own spirituality, growth, work, life, family, serving, health and relationship with others.
- 4 • To pray for others:** Pray for the lack, difficulties and pressure in the daily life of our family, relatives, friends and church.
- 5 • To have gratitude to God:** Thanks God for his grace since we are blessed in all circumstances.

IV • Goal

- a • Pray every day faithfully and regularly.
- b • Write down a prayer that you like most or impresses you most.

Theme of the prayer : _____

Target person of the prayer (if any) : _____

Prayer : _____

Scope 3 Worship

Let us not give up the habit of meeting together, as some are doing. Instead, let us encourage one another all the more, since you see that the Day of the Lord is coming nearer. (Hebrews 10:25)

I • The meaning of worship

‘Worship means, literally, acknowledging the worth of something or someone. It means recognising and saying, that something or someone is worthy of praise. It means praising someone or something so far superior to oneself that all one can do is to recognise their worth and celebrate it.’

Tom Wright, Bishop of Church of England

Source: Tom Wright, Simply Christian, SPCK, 2006, p. 124

‘This is the one service which Jesus Christ himself founded, at his last supper with his disciples. It has been the heart of Christian worship ever since that evening in the upper room in Jerusalem – in a modern city just as in the days when almost all Christians lived close to the land they cultivated. Through many centuries already, this has been the mystery which has gathered the followers of Jesus and kept them close to him.’

David L. Edwards, priest of Church of England, Dean of King’s College, Cambridge

Source: David L. Edwards, What Anglicans Believe, Continuum, 2002, p. 95

Observe the Sabbath and keep it holy. (Exodus 20:8)

Scope 4 Study

He satisfies those who are thirsty and fills the hungry with good things. (Psalms 107:9)

II • The manner to worship

Worship is a matter of the Holy Spirit, love and faithfulness. We must honour God solemnly. Celebrate regularly in worship and keep close to God. Share with others in worships.

...when by the power of God's Spirit people will worship the Father as he really is, offering him the true worship that he wants. (John 4:23)

III • Goal

Attend Sunday services with an attendance of 90% or above.

In the past six months, my attendance of Sunday services was _____ % and had fulfilled the requirement.

IV • Review

What was my attendance of Sunday services in the past six months?

I • The meaning of study

'Pursuing knowledge means pursuing God. Pursuing God is a sign of loving truth. Therefore, understanding truth means understanding God ... There is a proverb: 'What is the purpose of life? It is "Knowing God and be happy with him".'

Philip Shen, Anglican in Hong Kong, former Dean of Chung Chi College, The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Source: Philip Shen, *Thirty Years of Sense & Sensibility*, Hong Kong Christian Institute, 1992, p. 68-69

「當我們開始過基督徒生活時，大概知道的很少，並且是剛剛開始認識神。現在我們必須增加對神和對救主耶穌的認識(西1:10; 彼後3:18)。這知識一部分是理智的，一部分是體驗出來的。關於前者，我勸你不但勤讀聖經，也要閱讀其他基督教書報。忽略在知識長進乃是自招煩惱。」

John Stott, priest of Church of England, scholar of the Bible

Source: John Stott, *Basic Christianity*, 司徒德，真理的尋索，證主，1994，p.132

You created me, and you keep me safe; give me understanding, so that I may learn your laws. (Psalms 119:73)

II • The manner of study

Study enriches our knowledge and lets us gain new insights through restudying old things. Through study, truth is cultivated in our life. Therefore, disciples should make use of their time to join courses or read books.

Put into practice what you learnt and received from me, both from my words and from my actions. And the God who gives us peace will be with you. (Philippians 4:9)

III • Goal

a • Join any religious courses or Bible study groups for at least 10 hours

Get recognition from your vicar and participate in religious courses or Bible study groups in the diocese, parish or other organisations. Make a record of your study.

Name of course	Parish/organisation	Date	Number of hours
1. _____	_____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____	_____
5. _____	_____	_____	_____

b • Read at least one book or listen to at least one CD which is about religion. You may choose from the reference book list.

Choose an appropriate book to consolidate your spirituality.

English Books	Author	Publisher
1. Simply Christian	Tom Wright	Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge
2. What Anglicans Believe (in the Twenty-first Century)	David L. Edwards	Continuum
3. The Identity of Anglicanism: Essentials of Anglican Ecclesiology	Paul Avis	T & T Clark
4. Growing in Faith - A Guide for the Reluctant Christian	David Yount	Seabury Books
5. Welcome to the Bible	Vicki K. Black and Peter W. Wenner	Morehouse Publishing

Scope 5 Care and concern

No one has ever seen God, but if we love one another, God lives in union with us, and his love is made perfect in us. (1 John 4:12)

I • The meaning of care and concern

Jesus Christ gave us a new commandment when he was alive: love one another. As he had loved us, so we must love one another. Therefore, it is the mission of Christians to care for others. By caring, the love of Jesus Christ is shown and the Kingdom would come among us.

Besides caring for people who we know, disciples should also care for the needy. We should show our love to them by providing practical help.

‘But when we come to what we can do ourselves, it always seems so little, as, of course, it is. What each one alone can do is always very little, but the way great things are done is by all doing that very little unitedly. And it is the test of our sincerity whether we are ready to do the little things that are in our power – the things that have not about them a great thrill and glamour, the things that are rather dull, the things that we can only do, if we do them at all, because we are genuinely loyal and because we have a purpose that is firmly set, because we have a firm determination to serve Christ as we have the opportunity.’

William Temple, former Archbishop of Canterbury

Source: William Temple, Christian Faith & Life, SCM, 1957, p. 132

We love because God first loved us. (1 John 4:19)

II • Take part in social services

Participants could take part in social services individually or with the members of their fellowship.

Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Welfare Council and its members provide diversified service to the society, and the service targets come from all levels and ages between infants and elders. If you want to be volunteers for these organisations, you could contact them directly.

III • The manner of care

- 1 • **Be respectful** – We should respect the needy in all aspects and focus on their need. It is easy for us to become hasty about the improvement of situation of the needy. If this happens, the need of the helper to help will overtake the need of the needy.
- 2 • **Unconditional** – We may expect the needy to improve or thank us for helping them. 'Unconditional' means concentrate on the action of caring and not expecting the needy to return our help. What caring social service should we choose? 'Not if it's too far away', 'Not if it's boring', 'Not if I don't like it' If we think in this way, are we caring for the needy, or just to satisfy our own need?
- 3 • **Be humble** – To give is usually those who have give to those who do not have, and the stronger give to the weaker. Therefore, it is important for us to be humble when giving help. A volunteer used to say that every time he had taken part in a service, he thanked the needy for giving him an opportunity to help. It is the need of the needy that give us the chances to give. When we are helping the needy, we should thank them for giving us an opportunity to serve.

And now I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. (John 13:34)

IV • Guide

Participants may take part in social services in the following ways:

- 1 • Do voluntary work in communal social service organisations;
- 2 • Read and study the Bible together with others;
- 3 • Greet and show concern to new comers;
- 4 • Pray for others;
- 5 • Take part in visiting which are held by your church.

V • Goal

a • Care for at least 1 relative / friend

<p>I had put the principle of 'Love your neighbour as you love yourself' into practice by caring for _____ (name) in different ways.</p> <p>Signature : _____</p> <p>Name of beneficiary : _____</p>	<p>I had put the principle of 'Love your neighbour as you love yourself' into practice by caring for _____ (name) in different ways.</p> <p>Signature : _____</p> <p>Name of beneficiary : _____</p>
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b • Take part in at least one social service or environmental protection event

Name of service/ event	Details	Name of organisation	Date of service/ event
1	_____	_____	_____
2	_____	_____	_____
3	_____	_____	_____

Scope 6 Evangelism

Go, then, to all peoples everywhere and make them my disciples: baptise them in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, and teach them to obey everything I have commanded you. And I will be with you always, to the end of the age. (Matthew 28:19-20)

I • The meaning of Evangelism

'Why should we take part in evangelism? Below are some possible reasons:

- 1 • We are touched by the great love of God to do so.*
- 2 • We are called and dismissed by God to do so.*
- 3 • It is a challenge for us to do so with Jesus himself as a model.*
- 4 • We are equipped by the Holy Spirit to do so.*
- 5 • We had noticed the signs of the coming of the Kingdom that Jesus promised.*

Moreover, we have to find out who have the responsibility to evangelise. Both you and I are the people of God and thus called by him to witness the great love God showed in Jesus. '

John C.T. Chien, former Bishop of the Taiwan Episcopal Church

Source: John C.T. Chien, Reflections in Ten Years, The Taiwan Episcopal Church, 1998, p. 65

But before the end comes, the gospel must be preached to all peoples. (Mark 13:10)

II • The manner of evangelise

Listening – Show your respect and love to others when you listen to them. Before you preach to them, understand and know what they need.

Be respectful – Preach with a gentle tone and sincere manner. Different people have different reaction when they first listen to the Gospel. Evangelists should pay attention to the reaction of the listener and reply appropriately.

And this Good News about the Kingdom will be preached through all the world for a witness to all nations; and then the end will come. (Matthew 24:14)

III • Guide

It is the mission of every disciple to evangelise so we should try our best to do so. Participants could invite the family and friends to revival meetings or preach to them in daily life. The ways to evangelise include:

- 1 • Put Christian beliefs into practice in daily life
- 2 • Share with others your reason and experience of believing in God
- 3 • Introduce to others the five main points of the Gospel

a • God

The creator of the universe and all beings is a true God and is the origin of life.

In the beginning, when God created the universe ...
Genesis 1:1

b • Human beings abandon God

The Bible tells us that human beings say they are wise and they abuse freedom. They are self-centred. They abandon and disobey God. Then life is tainted and human beings are far away from God.

Everyone has sinned and is far away from God's saving presence. (Romans 3:23)

They know God, but they do not give him the honour that belongs to him, nor do they thank him ... They say they are wise, but they are fools. (Romans 1:21-22)

c • God loves us

God sent his son Jesus Christ to the world. Human beings are redeemed by Jesus Christ who suffered the consequences of our sin. People who admit their sin and repent could become the children of God.

For God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not die but have eternal life. (John 3:16)

d • Repent and renew

We have to repent, believe that Jesus Christ is our saviour and determine to change and renew our life. We have to reconcile with God and accept his teaching. We need to see God as the master of our life so that making our life meaningful.

Anyone who is joined to Christ is a new being; the old is gone, the new has come. (2 Corinthians 5:17)

I have come in order that you might have life – life in all its fullness. (John 10:10)

e • The new heaven and the new earth

If our life is changed, we will be willing to work with God, preach to others and nurture other disciples. We have to do what is just, to show constant love, and to live in humble fellowship with God. A new heaven and a new earth filled with joy, kindness, justice and peace will be created. The kingdom of God will come soon.

Your Father in heaven knows that you need all these things. Instead, be concerned above everything else with the Kingdom of God and with what he requires of you, and he will provide you with all these other things. (Matthew 6:32-33)

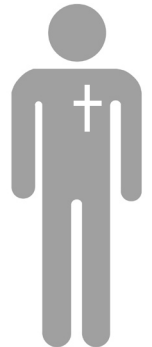
IV • Goal

Preach to at least 1 person and take him/her to Sunday services or fellowship.



On _____ (date), I preached to _____ (name) and took him/her to Sunday services/ fellowship.
Signature : _____
Signature of friend : _____

On _____ (date), I preached to _____ (name) and took him/her to Sunday services/ fellowship.
Signature : _____
Signature of friend : _____



On _____ (date), I preached to _____ (name) and took him/her to Sunday services/ fellowship.
Signature : _____
Signature of friend : _____

Scope 7 Offering

Yet my people and I cannot really give you anything, because everything is a gift from you, and we have only given back what is yours already. (1 Chronicles 29:14)

I • The meaning of offering

'A servant of God is taking care of the talents that God gave him, but not the property of others. These talents refer to his whole life but not limited to money and other matters ... Therefore, we should give generously and make use of our talents ... Some people offer large amount of money and use their time to participate in religious and charitable work instead of earning money. They think that the laugh of a child, the songs of a bird, the loyalty of a friend, and the health of their lover could not be bought by money.'

T.M. Pang, former Bishop of the Taiwan Episcopal Church

Source: T.M. Pang, Sermons of the year, Taiwan Episcopal Church, 1977, p. 133-136

All things come from God. Offering is giving God his own things. It is our response to the love of God.

Let the giving of thanks be your sacrifice to God, and give the Almighty all that you promised. (Psalms 50:14)

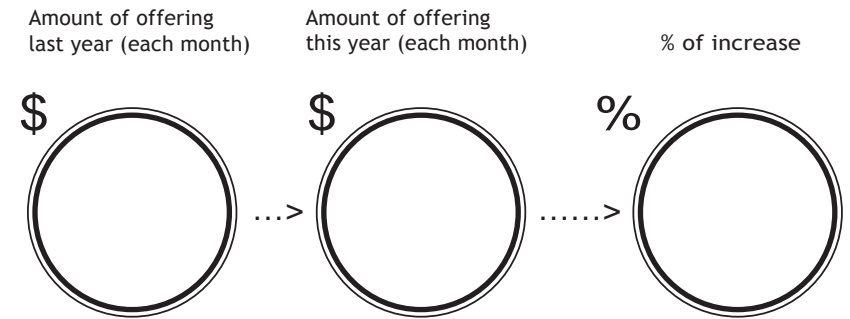
II • The manner of offering

The sincerity of offering depends on the 'quality' more than 'amount'. The poor widow (Luke 21:2-4) put in more than all the others because she gave all she had to live on.

For the others offered their gifts from what they had to space of their riches; but she, poor as she is, gave all she had to live on. (Luke 21:4)

III • Goal

Increase the amount of money offering with 8% of increase compared with the previous year.



Review

Did I offer tithes every month?

What is my attitude towards offering?

Scope 8 Serving

So then, my brothers and sisters, because of God's great mercy to us I appeal to you: offer yourselves as a living sacrifice to God, dedicated to his service and pleasing to him. This is the true worship that you should offer. (Romans 12:1)

I • The meaning of serving

There are several meanings of serving God:

- 1 • Offer ourselves as a living sacrifice to God. (Romans 12:1)
- 2 • Surrender ourselves as slaves to obey and serve God humbly. (Romans 6:16)
- 3 • All of us are Christ's body and each one is a part of it. (1 Corinthians 12:27)
- 4 • As a servant of God, we should make a good use of our talents to manage the church. (1 Peter 4:10).
- 5 • Be dedicated and useful to God and ready to be used for every good deed. (2 Timothy 2:20-21)

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II • The manner of serving

The ultimate target of serving is God. We should have the mission and take a cautious and conscientious attitude to serve. Modest dressing, courtesy and punctuality are also important.

Offer the right sacrifices to the Lord, and put your trust in him. (Psalms 4:5)

III • Goal

Take part in at least one post in parish ministries. Complement with others humbly and patiently on the serving in church.

Post of serving	Details
1. _____	_____
2. _____	_____
3. _____	_____
4. _____	_____
5. _____	_____

Scope 9 Fellowship

We must grow up in every way to Christ, who is the head. Under his control all the different parts of the body fit together, and the whole body is held together by every joint with which it is provided. So when each separate part works as it should, the whole body grows and builds itself up through love. (Ephesians 4:15-16)

I • The meaning of fellowship

In the New Testament, 'fellowship' is written as 'koinonia' in Greek with the meaning of 'common' and 'in community'. It is a unique and communal experience for a group of Christians gather together studying the Bible and sharing their live. In fellowship, we encourage and support one another through praying, studying the Bible and sharing. It is actually intercommunication between God and us.

We know that in all things God works for good with those who love him, those whom he has called according to his purpose. (Romans 8:28)

II • The manner of take part in fellowship

Being a member of a fellowship, we should attend regularly. Moreover, we should care for and communicate with other members. It is also important to build a close relationship with God and serve humbly and sincerely.

Let us not give up the habit of meeting together, as some are doing. Instead, let us encourage one another all the more, since you see that the Day of the Lord is coming near. (Hebrews 10:25)

III • Guide

Participants should take part in a regular fellowship. Try to share with and support other members, so that grow up in every way to Christ.

IV • Goal

Take part in a fellowship continuously and regularly with an attendance of 75% or above.

In the past six months, I took part in fellowship with an attendance of _____ % and had fulfilled the requirement of the programme.

Reference book list

1. Simply Christian

Simply Christian is essential reading for anyone who wants to consider the real fundamentals of Christianity or is intrigued by its claims about the place of justice, beauty and love in our daily lives. It is laid out helpfully in three sections. The first opens with the frustrated longings of humanity for justice, spirituality, relationships and beauty: why are things like this, do they have to be so and can life be lived differently? Tom Wright then sets out the core Christian belief about God and his creation, and discusses the biblical analysis of what's wrong with the world. He explains God's plan for its renewal, and the central importance of Jesus. In the final section, he explores what it means to follow Jesus, to be energised by the Holy Spirit and to advance God's plan for our world.

2. What Anglicans Believe (in the Twenty-first Century)

This new edition of the classic *What Anglicans Believe* is for the very different world of the twenty-first century and its powerful preface examines the whole question of belief. David Edwards' purpose is to present a straightforward account of what many Anglicans believe. He writes honest answers to the questions that many are asking of their faith and the Church. He aims to help Anglicans all over the world to understand their own tradition and what it can offer them. A list of questions for discussion makes this an ideal book for study groups as well as for individual contemplation.

3. The Identity of Anglicanism: Essentials of Anglican Ecclesiology

Paul Avis expounds an Anglicanism that is both catholic and reformed and open to fresh insight. On this interpretation, what is distinctive about Anglicanism is its understanding of the Church and of authority. These issues are addressed in relation to the origins of Anglican ecclesiology, the diversity





4. Growing in Faith—A Guide for the Reluctant Christian

In the tradition of C.S. Lewis, *Growing in Faith* offers clear explanations to common questions about Christianity. Author David Yount looks to faith to understand a world that seems more complicated every day. And he provides a source for answers in a society that offers constant challenges to the thoughtful Christian. Whether reluctant about returning to the church, yet to commit to one church, or you just still have questions and wish to become an even stronger Christian, *Growing in Faith* will serve as both guide and friend, and a welcome reminder of the power of faith.

5. Welcome to the Bible

New Episcopalians may be nervous about opening the Bible and uncertain about how to begin — it's a big book, after all, and more than a little intimidating. But they may be surprised to learn that the texts and doctrines of the Bible are embedded in our prayers, liturgies, and creeds — and even in our hymns. Here in *Welcome to the Bible*, newcomers to the Episcopal Church — and those who have been sitting in the pews for many years — will learn about the ways Scripture informs their faith. Perfect for individual reading or for parish study groups, *Welcome to the Bible* introduces readers to Bible basics, from the kinds of literature in the Bible to the ways the Bible is interpreted. Readers will also find practical suggestions for beginning to read the Bible, and ideas for incorporating it into their daily prayers and devotions.

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